

# Spotlight on Local Government November 2024

## **Isabella County Board of Commissioners**

- Approved and later rescinded a Notice of Intent Bond Resolution, declaring intent to issue Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds for the Isabella County Administration Building Complex Renovation Project in an amount not to exceed \$11,000,000. The Notice was rescinded to enable the new County Administrator/Controller and the new County Commissioners to provide input on the project.
- Approved notices of Termination of Agreement for Public Safety Services for the Village of Lake Isabella and for Wise Township, effective December 31, 2024.
- Approved a one-year extension of an agreement with MRP Properties Company to lease temporary office and warehouse space at 510 and 614 West Pickard Street for the Treasurer, Clerk, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Equalization, Administration, Facilities, MSU Extension, Parks and Recreation, Community Development, and Inspections at a cost of \$205,098.
- Approved a one-year agreement with Broadway Land Management to lease space at 200 and 210 East Broadway Street for the Prosecutor's Office at a cost of \$42,840.
- Approved the annual renewal of the Fisher Annex Lease Agreement for 160 acres integral to Deerfield Park. The cost to the County is equal to the property tax on the land.
- Approved the FY 2025 Region VII Area Agency on Aging Purchase of Service Provider Agreement and Business Associate Agreement. Under these agreements, the Commission on Aging provides services for qualified clients in their homes such as meals, homemaking, personal care, and respite care.
- Approved the Renewable Ready
   Communities Grant Agreement with the

Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy. The County was awarded \$375,000 for permitting the Mission Road Solar Project in Isabella Township.

### Mt. Pleasant City Commission

- Approved a one-year renewal of a contract to provide Fire Department Services for Union Township. The contract will provide the City \$807,458 in revenue.
- Approved an Asset Management Policy that provides a framework for maintaining and inventorying infrastructure assets, monitoring asset performance, and financial planning.
- Approved a Sponsorship Policy that establishes guidelines and procedures for the acceptance of donations to the City's parks and recreation system and procedures for accepting sponsorships from for-profit entities.
- Adopted a Climate Change Preparedness
   Plan that focuses on actions that increase energy efficiency and renewable energy in municipal facilities and practices that strengthen community resilience to extreme weather events.
- Discussed a plan to connect all City parks by means of paved pathways. The plan includes paving a trail through Veit's Woods, which is owned by Central Michigan University (CMU).

## Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission

- Recommended that the City Commission rezone five properties, totaling 157 acres, at the southwest corner of Broomfield and Crawford Roads.
- Approved a Special Use Permit for a marijuana retailer at 914 East Pickard Street that authorizes expansion of the building footprint and modification of traffic flow on the site.

#### For More Information

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