

Isabella County Board of Commissioners

- Approved budget amendments to provide for Deputy, Sergeant, and Detectives severance and vacation and sick payouts due to permanent layoffs. The layoffs resulted from discontinuation of road patrol services.
- Approved an amendment to the Renewables Ready Communities Award Grant Agreement with the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy. The grant amount increased from \$375,000 to \$395,000 due to additional capacity of the Mission Road Solar Project.
- Approved amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding battery energy storage systems (BESS), devices that enable energy from renewables, like solar and wind, to be stored and then released. The amendments detail design, safety, location, and decommissioning standards for BESS.
- Approved Emergency Action Guidelines for the County that describe the responsibilities of government, emergency response agencies, and volunteer organizations during an emergency or a disaster.
- Approved a Grant Agreement with the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation for \$4,000 to provide Personal Emergency Response Systems for Isabella County seniors who are in need. Funds from the grant can be used through December 2025.
- Approved an amendment to the 210 East Broadway Lease to provide additional space for the Prosecuting Attorney's Office at a cost of \$944 a month.
- Postponed a decision on the purchase of a full-body scanner for the jail. A full-body scanner would detect contraband, such as drugs or weapons, hidden on or inside a person's body.

Mt. Pleasant City Commission

- Awarded the contract for the 2025 Sidewalk Replacement Project to H & H Concrete of Clare for \$177,223. Central Michigan

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University (CMU) will reimburse the City \$11,940 for the additional cost of sidewalks that are replaced to CMU specifications.

- Awarded the contract for the 2025 Parking Lots 4 and 5 Reconstruction Project to McGuirk Sand-Gravel for \$598,245. Parking Lots 4 and 5 are located downtown.
- Approved a revised permanent easement for Consumers Energy Electrical Facilities to move an electrical pole that will enable reconfiguration of the City Hall driveway entrance. The reconfiguration will align the entrance driveway with Oak Street and improve safety.
- Approved a professional services contract with Fishbeck for \$159,000 to design the food waste receiving station at the Water Resource Recovery Facility. Following construction, the facility will be able to accept food waste from CMU cafeterias.
- Awarded the contract for the 2025 Mill and Overlay Project to Central Asphalt for \$1,414,545. The project includes removal and replacement of some existing curbs, gutters and sidewalk ramps to comply with ADA requirements.
- Appointed John Zang to fill the vacant seat on the City Commission until the August 2025 election.
- Directed the City Manager to begin the process to extend the Central Business District Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA). This TIFA captures not only a portion of the property taxes levied by the City but also taxes that would otherwise be directed to Isabella County.

Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission

- Approved a Special Use Permit for short-term rental of a home at 900 Elizabeth Court, a parcel surrounded by single-family homes.
- Approved a one-year extension of a Special Use Permit and site plan approval for an Adult-Use Marijuana Retail Establishment at 914 East Pickard Street.

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