

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, January 12, 2026**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, January 12, 2026, convened at 7:00p.m. at the Paw Paw District Library, Community Room. President Pro Tem Craddock presiding.

Present: President Roman Plaszczak (excused), Pro Tem Douglas Craddock, Trustees Steve Richardson (excused), Holly Hamilton, Nicolas Martinez, David McQueen and Donne Rohr (excused). Also present: Village Manager Bryan Myrtle, Village Clerk Karla Tacy, Director of Public Services Tim Brandys and Police Chief Eric Rottman.

Motion by Martinez with support from Hamilton to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of the following under Action Items: Milbocker pay request No. 5 and 2026 Council Meeting Schedule and tabling Maple Island Bridge Project Scope Change Order #2. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Hamilton with support from Martinez to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 8, 2025. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by McQueen with support from Hamilton to approve claims for Monday, January 12, 2026, in the amount of \$1,584,941.63. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Tammy Vandenbos inquired as to whether the silt piles on the corner of Lilac and Gremps St have been tested for elevated arsenic levels.

Trustee McQueen wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Motion by McQueen with support from Martinez to adopt the Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses recognizing the Killer Beez Junior Roller Derby organization as a non-profit operating in the Village of Paw Paw. Roll call vote; Hamilton, Craddock, McQueen and Martinez voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martinez with support from McQueen to adopt the Local Government Approval Resolution as required for application to the Liquor Control Commission for Redevelopment Liquor License for the Strand Theatre LLC. Roll call vote; Hamilton, Craddock, McQueen and Martinez voting yes, motion carried.

Discussion regarding the Maple Island Bridge Project Scope Change Order #2 has been tabled.

Motion by Martinez with support from McQueen to approve change order #5 submitted by Abonmarche/Lounsbury Excavating regarding the water main

Meeting Convened

Members Present

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Claims

**Audience
Participation**

**Council Member
Comments:
McQueen**

**Action Items:
Resolution- Killer
Beez Raffle License**

**Resolution- Strand
Theatre LLC Liquor
License**

**Maple Island Bridge
Project Scope
Change Order #2**

**DWSRF Change
Order #5**

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replacement project, for a reduction of -\$1,291,292.25. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Hamilton with support from Martinez to approve pay request No.26 from Lounsbury Excavating, Inc in the amount of \$45,246.95. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

DWSRF Pay Request #26

Motion by Hamilton with support from Martinez to set a public hearing on January 26, 2026, to receive public comments regarding an update to the current Floodplain Ordinance. All members present voting yes, motion carried

Set Public Hearing-Flood Plain Ordinance Revision

Discussion regarding the 2026 Wine & Harvest Festival has been tabled.

2026 Wine & Harvest Festival Requests

Discussion regarding the proposed Professional Services Agreement from Safebuilt to conduct rental inspections has been tabled.

SafeBuilt Professional Services Agreement

Motion by Martinez with support from McQueen to approve pay request No.5 from Milbocker Construction in the amount of \$48,640. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Briggs Dam Pay Request #5

Motion by McQueen with support from Martinez to approve the 2026 Village Council meeting schedule of the 2nd and 4th Monday each month, excluding a second meeting in December 2026. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

2026 Council Meeting Schedule

The Parks & Rec Committee discussed the park millage renewal campaign and updating the Parks Ordinance.

Committee Meetings Parks and Rec

Mary Lou Hartwell announced that she will be retiring from the DDA Board at the end of the current fiscal year.

DDA

None.

Economic & Residential Opportunity

Due to growth, the Farmers Market is discussing changing locations.

Farmers Market

The Fire District Board approved their new fiscal year budget.

Fire Board

None.

Historical Commission

None.

Housing Commission

The Maple Lake Preservation Committee has been discussing remedies to deepen the lake's South Basin.

Maple Lake Preservation

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The Planning Commission reviewed the Master Plan draft and discussed prohibiting shipping containers in residential areas.

**Planning
Commission**

None.

Wine & Harvest

Trustee Craddock applauded Manager Myrtle on his thorough communication with Council. Trustee Craddock proposed dedicating the Briggs Dam walking trail as a memorial trail for local “heroes”.

**Council Member
Comments
Craddock**

Manager Myrtle announced that Riverworks repaired the Sunset Park boat launch pier. Myrtle also reported that the Planning Commission will have several site plans to review at their February meeting.

Manager Comments

Brandys reports that the crew is busy changing out water meters and patching potholes.

**Staff Comments
Brandys**

Police Chief Rottman reported that the December Shop with a Cop event at Walmart went well. VBEMS donated two refurbished AEDs to the police department. Chief Rottman announced Officer Werthman recently saved a resident from choking.

Rottman

Motion by McQueen with support by Martinez to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Karla Tacy
Village Clerk

Roman Plaszczak
Village President