

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, February 23, 2026**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, February 23, 2026, convened at 7:00p.m. at the Paw Paw District Library, Community Room. President Plaszcak presiding.

**Meeting Convened**

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

**Members Present**

Motion by Rohr with support from Richardson to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Rohr with support from Hamilton to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 9, 2026. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Craddock with support from Rohr to approve claims for Monday, February 23, 2026, in the amount of \$591,293.19. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Claims**

None.

**Audience Participation**

None.

**Council Member  
Comments:**

Motion by Rohr with support from Hamilton to approve the recommendation from the Village President to approve the appointment of Eric Cook to the DDA Board. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Action Items:  
DDA Appointment**

Motion by Rohr with support from Hamilton to approve Resolution 26-05 to comply with PA 152 by exercising the Village's right to exempt itself from the requirements of the act. Roll call vote; Richardson, Hamilton, Craddock, Plaszcak and Rohr voting yes, motion carried.

**Resolution 26-05 PA 152  
Exemption**

Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to adopt Resolution 26-04 to Amend the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year Budget and Adopt the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, Beginning March 1, 2026.

**Resolution 26-04  
2026-2027 Fiscal Budget  
and Budget Amendments**

A discussion was held regarding the streets and utilities of the proposed Hawthorn Meadows (Hazen Street) housing development. It was the consensus of Council to allow Manager Myrkle to begin discussion with the developer regarding ownership and compensation for maintaining the internal streets of the development. Further discussion regarding the electrical infrastructure of the development, will resume at a later date.

**Workshop Items:  
Hawthorne Meadows  
Update & Discussion**

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It was the consensus of Council to have Manager Myrkle move forward in the process of designing a program to allow the Village to assist affected homeowners by facilitating sewer repairs through a Special Assessment property tax.

**Special Assessment for  
Failing Sewer Services**

The Parks & Rec Board would like to hold a grand reopening of Maple Island before the 5/6 election containing the Parks Millage renewal.

**Committee Meetings  
Parks and Rec**

Barbara Carpenter is the new DDA Board Chairperson.

**DDA**

None.

**Economic & Residential  
Opportunity**

None.

**Farmers Market**

None.

**Fire Board**

None.

**Historical Commission**

None.

**Housing Commission**

None.

**Maple Lake  
Preservation**

None.

**Planning Commission**

None.

**Wine & Harvest**

President Plaszczak announced that planning is underway for the Boards, Committees and Volunteer Appreciation Night at St. Julian's on March 10.

**Council Member  
Comments  
Plaszczak**

Manager Myrkle reports that the Briggs Dam project is progressing, and then new bridge is expected to be delivered on Wednesday. The Elm Street reconstruction project is out for bid.

**Manager Comments**

DPS Director Brandys has suspended Direct Line's permit for fiber boring due to infrastructure damages. DPS crews have begun road patching.

**Staff Comments  
Brandys**

Police Chief Rottman announced the PD recently passed their onsite LEIN audit. Office Manager Marler will be on a one-month medical leave, beginning March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Rottman**

Motion by Craddock with support by Richardson to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

**Adjournment**

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Respectfully submitted:

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Karla Tacy  
Village Clerk

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Roman Plaszczak  
Village President