

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, August 10, 2026**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, August 10, 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, Nicolas Martinez, David McQueen (excused) and Donne Rohr (excused). Also present: Village Manager Bryan Myrkle, Clerk Karla Tacy, DPS Director Tim Brandys and Police Chief Eric Rottman.

Members Present

Motion by Martinez with support from Craddock to approve the agenda as presented, with the addition of DDA Mural Authorization as Action Item #3. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Richardson with support from Craddock to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 27, 2026. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Martinez with support from Craddock to approve claims for Monday, August 10, 2026, in the amount of \$950,476.39. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Claims

Tammy Vandebos voiced her concern regarding the noise from the Warner Vineyards concerts.

Audience Participation

None.

**Council Member
Comments:**

Motion by Craddock with support from Richardson to accept Resolution 2026-13 Supporting the Red Arrow Convoys' Special Event Application for the December 12th Lighted Truck Parade along Red Arrow Highway from Oshtemo to I-96 in Coloma. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Action Items:
Red Arrow Convoy
Lighted Truck Parade**

Manager Myrkle will begin the process of amending the short-term rental zoning ordinance. He will resubmit the draft with the Council's suggested changes to the Planning Commission, who will then hold a second public hearing.

**Short-Term Rental
Ordinance Revision**

Motion by Craddock with support from Richardson to approve the DDA's request to have an artist install a mural on the side of Village Hall. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**DDA Mural
Authorization**

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is planning to replace the M-40 bridge over I-94 in 2028. MDOT provided several examples of bridge and roundabout aesthetics for the Village to consider. Staff and Council began the discussion regarding the possible aesthetic treatments for the new bridge.

**Workshop Items:
I-94 Bridge Aesthetics**

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The next Parks & Rec Board meeting will be held September 14th at 4:30pm at Village Hall.

None.

None.

None.

None.

None.

None.

None.

The Planning Commission approved the drafted Master Plan at their last meeting and recommends for Council approval. Trustee Martinez reports that the Planning Commission desires to revisit the Outdoor Entertainment Permit issued to Warner Vineyards, once the current concert season ends.

None.

Trustee Martinez stated that although the noise from the Warner Vineyards concerts do not personally affect him, he believes Council owes it to the residents that are impacted to try to remedy.

Manager Myrkle announced that staff is considering installing natural gas generators near Gremps St & Commercial Ave to help shave off electric demand during peak times. Representatives from MPPA will be attending a Council meeting to do a presentation on the topic. Utility Billing Clerk, Missy Leonard, has accepted a new position and will be leaving her employment with the Village on August 21st.

DPS Director Brandys reports that Cripps Fontaine have started work on Elm, Willard and Cedar Streets.

Chief Rottman reports that Paw Paw Township generously offered to purchase two new AEDs for the PD. Tapper Ford will be hosting Public Safety Professional

**Committee Meetings
Parks and Rec**

DDA

**Economic & Residential
Opportunity**

Farmers Market

Fire Board

Historical Commission

Housing Commission

**Maple Lake
Preservation**

Planning Commission

Wine & Harvest

**Council Member
Comments:
Martinez**

Manager Comments

**Staff Comments
Brandys**

Rottman

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Night on August 11th. Staff will be presenting a contract for the new Blight Enforcement Officer at the next Council meeting.

Motion by Craddock with support by Richardson to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:59pm.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Karla Tacy
Village Clerk

Roman Plaszczak
Village President