



BERRIEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Organizational Meeting Agenda
Administration Building, 701 Main St., St. Joseph, MI
Thursday, January 08, 2026
8:35 a.m.

Chairperson to Call Meeting to Order at 8:35 A.M.

- Reminder - Please turn all electronic devices off.
- Any materials that an individual wishes to distribute to the Board should be given to the Sergeant at Arms.
- Upon calling the meeting to order, it shall be the duty of each member to conduct him/her in a professional manner, to avoid unnecessary noise and to refrain from private conversation. (Berrien County Board of Commissioners' Bylaws Article IV, 4.1)
- Public in attendance shall be held to the same standards of conduct. (Article III, 3.9C)

Invocation - Jail Chaplain Don Bennett - Portage Road General Baptist Church, Niles Charter Township

Pledge of Allegiance - Chairman Mac Elliott

Roll Call

Approval of the minutes of the December 18, 2025 meeting

Communications

Election of Vice-Chair

Chairman Appointments of Committees:

Administration Committee

Finance Committee

Personnel & Human Services Committee

Requisition and Resolution Review - Annette Christie

Approval of Calendar for 2026 Commissioners' Meetings - Annette Christie

Conflict of Interest Waivers Discussion - Annette Christie

Public Comments regarding Resolutions - Public comments at this portion of the meeting must be related to resolutions listed on today's agenda only. Those speaking during public comments may do so no longer than two minutes and shall identify themselves by name and city, township, or village. (Article III, 3.9B-C)

Consent Calendar

The following resolutions are considered routine and will be adopted by one motion unless a request for removal, discussion, or explanation is received from a County Commissioner.

<u>Resolution</u>	<u>Description</u>
F2601013	Weekly Bills & Road Payables Approval
B2601060	Weekly Requisition Approval
P2601107	Apply for a grant for Historical Courthouse Square County Park

Commissioner Reports

Administrator Report

General Public Comments - Those speaking during public comments may do so no longer than two minutes and shall identify themselves by name and city, township, or village. (Article III, 3.9B-C)

Other Business

Announcements/Reminders

- Committee meetings will take place following the Organizational meeting.
- No regular Board of Commissioners' meeting will be held today.
- The Board of Commissioners' will resume their regular meeting day schedule next Thursday, January 15, 2026: 8:35 Committee of the Whole; 9:15 Committee Meetings; 10:30 Regular Board Meeting
- County facilities will be closed on Monday, January 19, 2026 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Adjournment