January 21, 2026

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Board – In Person With Public Participation Available Through Zoom

Commissioners Present: Hardy, Dutcher, Finley, Loeffler, and O'Farrell.

Absent: None.
Vacant: None.

Also Present: **Nancy Huebel**, County Clerk; **Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski**, County Controller /Finance Director; **Kathleen Murphy**, Board Secretary/Housing Director; **Scott Frank**, County Sheriff; **Mike Eller**, Director of Emergency Services; **Raymond Bruning, II**, EMS Chief; **Carla Grezeszak**, Deputy Court Administrator/FOC Supervisor; **Zachary Klosowski-Lorenz**, Senior IT Director; **April Johnson**, County Treasurer; **Ron Whitney**, Director of Veterans' Affairs

Meeting called to order immediately following the Full Board meeting.

New Business:

Zachary Klosowski-Lorenz, Senior IT Director – Email Filtering Solution

Klosowski-Lorenz is asking to switch vendors. The requested vendor has more security features. The IT Department has conducted a trial run. Dutcher motions to take this to the Full Board for consideration and Finley seconds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director – Upload Meetings Online

Carruthers-Soboleski contacted the attorney. They recommend not allowing comments on the videos. It may lead to Open Meetings Act and FOIA issues. Carruthers-Soboleski would like a policy in place before any meeting is posted. Hardy motions to move forward with creating a policy to be brought back to the Committee of the Whole for

further discussion and Finley seconds. Ayes: Hardy, Finley, Loeffler, and O'Farrell. Nays: Dutcher. Motion carried.

County Controller's Report: Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director

- Senator Hoitenga's office contacted Carruthers-Soboleski. Parolee issue is back open.
- **Materials Management Planning Committee Meeting**
  - Organics were discussed.
  - More to come.
- **Master Plan** – Requesting an extension from MEDC.
- **Housing Commission**
  - Continuing to work on the CHILL grant.
  - Most bid specs are to the homeowners.
  - Deadline is April 30, 2026.
  - Frustration in the community.
  - MSHDA's first CDBG grant in several years.
- **Matt Snider, Facilities Manager**
  - He would like to slow down.
  - No solutions yet, but Carruthers-Soboleski would like to see Snider working as a construction manager and out of doing manual labor.
- **Miscellaneous**
  - Court remodel is 98% finished.
  - Year end grant reporting is ongoing.
  - Getting ready for the audit.
  - W2's and 1099's are going out.

Public Comments:

Carla Grezeszak, Deputy Court Administrator/FOC Supervisor – **Matt Snider** – Saved so much money by making a lot of the projects in house instead of purchasing. Thank you so much to Snider and Ian Matheson.

Any Other Matters:

Loeffler – Medical Care Facility – Working on millage renewal. Resolution will be coming soon.

Claims and Accounts: Bills reviewed and approved by Loeffler, O'Farrell, and Finley in the amount of $240,830.90 for 2025 and $169,601.01 for 2026.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully:

Kathleen Murphy
Board Secretary/Housing Director

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR February 4, 2026