

AGENDA
SOUTH HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
August 12, 2026

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes of July 8, 2026
4. Correspondence
5. Public Comments, Audience Members are allowed 3 minutes to discuss items not on the Agenda (5 minutes for groups)
6. Approval of Agenda
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A) Affordable Housing Updates
 - B) Short Term Rental Updates
 - C)
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A) Public Hearing for Fire Millage
 - B) Resolution 26-17 To Adopt L4029
 - C) Approval of PUD Amendments 12th Avenue Hidden Ponds
 - D) Approval of Special Land Use for Museum 5585 Blue Star Highway
 - E) Potential Lawsuit 77th Street
 - F) Tree Removal – Transfer Station
 - G)
9. REPORTS
 - Airport
 - Building/Electrical/Mechanical
 - Building Committee
 - Fire/Ambulance
 - Library
 - Park Committee
 - Planning Commission
 - Roads
 - Senior Services
 - Water/Sewer Authority
 - Zoning Board of Appeals
10. TREASURER’S REPORT
11. BOARD COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT

SOUTH HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2026

Present: Stein, Poole, Lewandowski, Wiatrowski, Fisher, Bertorelli, DeGrandchamp

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Stein at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Lewandowski, supported by Wiatrowski, to approve the Minutes of June 10, 2026 Regular Meeting as presented. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Gayle Gladney reported for the Van Buren County Commission.

Motion by DeGrandchamp, supported by Wiatrowski, to approve the Agenda. An item was added to New Business, 8.C. Budget Amendments. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Diane Rigozzi reported that the Senior Apartment project has been approved. There will be 42 units and they should be available Summer of 2028. Supervisor Stein reported that the ground has been broken on the Soha Lofts project.

Trustee Wiatrowski reported that they have 45 non-compliant Short Term Rental properties identified by Granicus. Clerk Bertorelli offered to follow up with identifying properties from last year that have not yet registered and sending them a letter.

Motion by Bertorelli, supported by Lewandowski, to approve the quote from Acrisure for insurance coverage. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Poole, supported by Lewandowski, to set a Public Hearing for the Fire Millage on August 12, 2026 at 7:30. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Bertorelli, supported by Fisher, to approve the Budget Amendments as presented. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Reports from various committees and authorities were received. W.C. Askew was in attendance for the Road Commission.

Motion by Fisher, supported by Wiatrowski, to approve payment of anticipated bills in the amount of \$41,517.21. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Brenda Bertorelli, Clerk

Ross Stein, Supervisor

**SOUTH HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION # 26-17**

WHEREAS, it is statutory duty of South Haven Charter Township Board to authorize the levy of The Township's millage rates for 2026, and;

WHEREAS, the South Haven Charter Township Board has received the L4029 from the County and held a Public Hearing to determine the Fire Millage Rate, and;

WHEREAS, the South Haven Charter Township Board will hold a Public Hearing to present the Annual Budget;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that with consideration to the Township's budgetary needs for the 2026 fiscal year, and after consideration of obligatory voted millage, the South Haven Charter Township Board have decided, in the best interest of the Township, to levy _____ mills, which is .5118 mills for Operating, .7192 mills for Police, .9702 mills for Library, .9591 mills for Senior, .2424 mills for Recreation, .2279 mills for Library(2), and 1.45 mills for Roads against the Taxable Value of all real property and personal property in the county. The Fire District Millage will be _____ mills on real property.

MOTION BY: _____

SUPPORTED BY: _____

Voting Yes: _____

Voting No: _____

Absent: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

I, Brenda Bertorelli, Clerk of South Haven Charter Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, herewith certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a portion of the proceedings of said Board at its regular meeting on Wednesday, August 12, 2026.

Brenda Bertorelli, Clerk

5.0806
total

3.63 Fire

ORIGINAL TO: County Clerk(s)
COPY TO: Equalization Dept.(s)
COPY TO: Each Twp or City Clerk

2026 TAX RATE REQUEST
MILLAGE REQUEST REPORT TO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

County	VAN BUREN		Taxable Value	255,298,863
Local Government Unit	SOUTH HAVEN TOWNSHIP			

You must complete this form for each unit of government for which a property tax is levied. Penalty for non-filing is provided under MCL Sec. 211.119.
The following tax rates have been authorized for levy on the 2026 tax roll

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
	Purpose of Millage	Date of Election	Millage Authorized by Election, Charter, etc.	2025 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d	2026 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d	2026 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d	Sec. 211.34 Millage Rollback Fraction	Maximum Allowable Millage Rate*	Millage Requested to be Levied July 1	Millage Requested to be Levied Dec. 1	Expiration Date of Millage Authorized
ALLOCATED	OPERATING	Nov-78	1.0000	0.5243	0.9762	0.5118	1.0000	0.5118			Unlimited
EXTRA VOTED	POLICE	Aug-22	0.7500	0.7368	0.9762	0.7192	1.0000	0.7192			Dec-26
EXTRA VOTED	LIBRARY	Aug-24	1.0000	0.9939	0.9762	0.9702	1.0000	0.9702			Dec-27
EXTRA VOTED	SENIORS	Aug-22	1.0000	0.9825	0.9762	0.9591	1.0000	0.9591			Dec-29
EXTRA VOTED	RECREATION	Aug-24	0.2500	0.2484	0.9762	0.2424	1.0000	0.2424			Dec-27
EXTRA VOTED	LIBRARY	Nov-17	0.2500	0.2335	0.9762	0.2279	1.0000	0.2279			Dec-56
EXTRA VOTED	ROADS	Aug-22	1.4500	1.4246	0.9762	1.3906	1.0000	1.3906	EXPIRED	EXPIRED	EXPIRED

Total Mills

SPECIAL	FIRE DISTRICT*	Sep-75	OPEN	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	OPEN			Unlimited
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***FIRE DIST IS SPREAD ON TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY ONLY**

Prepared by	Title	Date
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As the representatives for the local government unit named above, we certify that these requested tax levy rates have been reduced, if necessary, to comply with the state constitution (Article 9, Section 31), and that the requested levy rates have also been reduced, if necessary, to comply with MCL Sections 211.24e, 211.34, and for LOCAL school districts which levy a Supplemental (Hold Harmless) Millage, MCL 380.121(3).

☐ Clerk	Signature	Type Name	Date
☐ Secretary			
☐ Chairperson	Signature	Type Name	Date
☐ Supervisor			

*Under Truth in Taxation, MCL Section 211.24e, the governing body may decide to levy a rate which will not exceed the maximum authorized rate allowed in column 9. A public hearing and determination is required for an operating levy which is larger than the base tax rate but not larger than the rate in column 9.

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Proposal Section**Township****Charter Township Of South Haven
Road Millage Proposal**

Shall the tax limitation on all taxable property within the Charter Township of South Haven, Van Buren County, Michigan, be increased and the Township be authorized to renew a level of a millage in an amount not to exceed 1.45 mills (\$ 1.45 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) for four (4) years, 2026 to 2029 inclusive, to provide funds for constructing, preserving, improving, mowing, repairing, and maintaining roads and ditches in the Township? The estimate of the revenue the Township will collect in the first year if the millage is approved and levied in the 2026 calendar year is approximately \$373,461.

Yes ☐No ☐

Memo: South Haven Township Board
From: Tasha Smalley, Zoning Administrator
Date: August 2026
RE: amend PUD

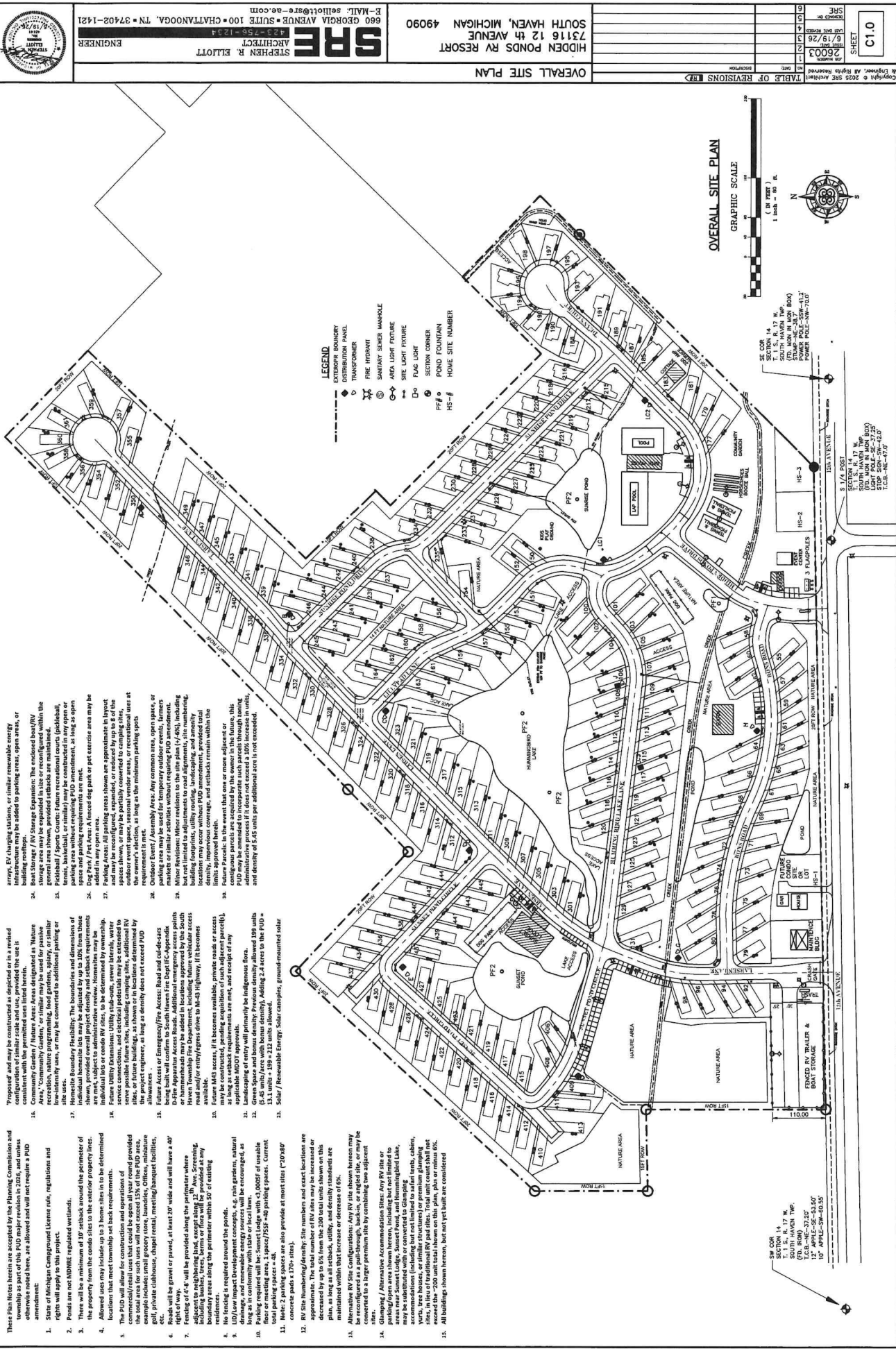
Owner, 12th Avenue LLC and Applicant, Hidden Ponds RV Resort LLC have petitioned to amend the approved PUD (Planned Unit Development); removing 9 of the 12 homes sites; adding 2.4 acres; adding 16 RV sites including extending another road; buildings moved around and adding from previous approved plan; combining 27 condominium sites and 3 separate parcels into one parcel for PUD site at 73234 12th Avenue 80-17-014-064-11.

At the August 5, 2026 Planning Commission approved recommendation of approval for an amendment of a PUD (amendments stated above) at 73234 12th Ave, 80-17-014-064-11 with minor standard conditions:

Remove “condo” from #3 of narrative

Change ROW term around the perimeter to buffer or greenbelt

Submit storm water plans approved by EGLE for campground permit/license



- These Plan Notes herein are accepted by the Planning Commission and township as part of this PUD major revision in 2022, and unless otherwise noted here, are allowed and will not require a PUD Amendment.
1. State of Michigan Compulsory License rule, regulations and rights will apply to this project.
 2. PUD is not MOWNE regulated utility.
 3. There will be a minimum of 10' setback around the perimeter of the property from the corner lots to the exterior property line.
 4. Allowed uses may include up to 3 home sites in to be determined locations that meet township set back requirements.
 5. The PUD will allow for construction and operations of commercial/retail uses that could be open all year round provided that the uses are consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. Examples include: retail grocery store, hardware, offices, miniature golf, private clubhouses, chapel rental, meeting/banquet facilities, etc.
 6. PUD will be gravel or paved, at least 20' wide and will have a 40' height of way.
 7. Fencing of 4'-6" will be provided along the perimeter where adjacent to neighboring lots, or if the lot is not adjacent to a boundary area along the perimeter within 50' of existing residences.
 8. PUD will be required around the pond.
 9. LID/Low Impact Development concepts, e.g. rain gardens, natural drainage, and renewable energy sources will be encouraged, as long as they do not interfere with the PUD's overall design.
 10. PUD will be required to be consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. PUD will be required to be consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. PUD will be required to be consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.
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 15. All buildings shown herein, but not yet built are considered

- Proposed and may be constructed as depicted or in a revised manner, and may be added to parking areas, open areas, or building footprints.
24. Boat Storage / RV Storage Expansion: The enclosed boat/RV storage area may be expanded in size or reconfigured within the existing lot lines.
 25. Ponds: Ponds shall be constructed in accordance with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources rules and regulations. Ponds shall be constructed in accordance with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources rules and regulations.
 26. Dog Park / Pet Area: A fenced dog park or pet exercise area may be added in any open area.
 27. PUD will be required to be consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. PUD will be required to be consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. PUD will be required to be consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.
 28. Outdoor Event / Assembly Area: Any common area, open space, or lawn area may be used for outdoor events, as long as the use is consistent with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.
 29. Minor Revisions: Minor revisions to the site plan (1'-6"), including but not limited to adjustments to road alignments, site numbering, and other minor details, may be made without requiring a PUD Amendment.
 30. Future Ponds: In the event that one or more adjacent or contiguous parcels are acquired by the owner in the future, this PUD may be amended to incorporate such parcels into the PUD, and density of 5.45 units per additional acre is not exceeded.

Memo: South Haven Township Board
From: Tasha Smalley, Zoning Administrator
Date: August 2026
RE: Special Land Use

Owner, Morris Investments South Haven LLC and Applicant, Pear Blossom Properties 5585, LLC have petitioned for a Special Use, to convert existing building to a Museum at 05585 Blue Star Hwy, 80-17-360-003-00.

At the August 5, 2026 Planning Commission approved recommendation of approval for a Special Land Use for a Museum at 05585 Blue Star Hwy, 80-17-360-003-00 with minor standard conditions:

driveway permit,

fire department approval,

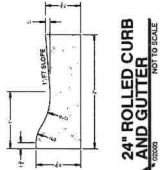
encourage dark sky lighting,

manage storm water,

if road commission does not allow sign in the ROW, the sign must meet requirements of the sign ordinance location.



LEGEND					
	PROPOSED ASPHALT PAVEMENT (SEE DETAIL TWO STREET)		EXISTING ASPHALT PAVEMENT		EXISTING CONCRETE PAVEMENT/SIDEWALK
					PROPOSED CONCRETE PAVEMENT/SIDEWALK
					EXISTING ASPHALT (TO BE MILLED AND OVERLAIN)



Michigan Township Services - Allegan, Inc.

111 Grand Street
(269) 673-3239 fax: (269) 673-9583

Permits Issued For SOUTH HAVEN TOWNSHIP

Building

Date	Permit #	Site Address	Construction Cost	Permit Cost	Owner	Type Of Construction
7/31/2026	SHB26037	73195 Cider Ct	\$25,711.00	\$218.00	Cagle	Replace 17 Windows
7/7/2026	SHB26038	74129 Lundy Lane (AKA 741	\$200,000.00	\$740.00	JMJL Properties LL	New Res w/ Att Garage
7/13/2026	SHB26039	71989 C. R. 388	\$6,500,000.00	\$13,140.00	Corewell Health	Outpatient Health Care
7/20/2026	SHB26041	17619 Bluestar Hwy	\$68,075.39	\$344.00	Boyce	Wdws,Drs,Demo 3Season
7/24/2026	SHB26044	07607 C.R. 689	\$245,000.00	\$875.00	Weeks	New Res w/Att Garage
Building Totals			\$7,038,786.39	\$15,317.00		

Electrical

Date	Permit #	Site Address	Construction Cost	Permit Cost	Owner	Type Of Construction
7/8/2026	SHE26045	73023 2nd Ave		\$170.00	Porter	Bathroom Addition
7/9/2026	SHE26046	16280 76th St		\$115.00	Sheets	
7/15/2026	SHE26047	04600 Beechwood Ln		\$195.00	Sprout	
7/21/2026	SHE26048	18360 77th St.		\$150.00	Finken	New Residence
7/21/2026	SHE26049	71989 C. R. 388		\$1,956.00	Corewell Health	Outpatient Health Care
7/21/2026	SHE26050	18096 M-140 Hwy		\$110.00	Duncan	
7/22/2026	SHE26051	12301 M-140 Hwy		\$110.00	Tragna Realty LLC	
7/24/2026	SHE26052	12980 76th St		\$330.00	Case	New Res w/ Att Garage
7/24/2026	SHE26053	12980 76th St		\$185.00	Case	Accessory Building
7/24/2026	SHE26054	70854 8th Ave		\$115.00	Yancy	Above Ground Pool
7/31/2026	SHE26055	70633 16th Ave		\$165.00	Dubisson	
7/31/2026	SHE26056	07910 C. R. 689		\$110.00	Tranker	
Electrical Totals				\$3,711.00		

Mechanical

Date	Permit #	Site Address	Construction Cost	Permit Cost	Owner	Type Of Construction
7/10/2026	SHM26045	74145 Lundy Ln		\$115.00	DeVries	
7/7/2026	SHM26046	76701 11th Ave		\$130.00	Murk	
7/7/2026	SHM26047	73718 8th Ave		\$120.00	McKormick	
7/10/2026	SHM26048	12980 76th St		\$115.00	Case	New Res w/ Att Garage
7/15/2026	SHM26049	72300 Erika Way unit 04-403		\$120.00	Coastal Crossings	
7/17/2026	SHM26050	14148 73rd St		\$130.00	Parson	
7/24/2026	SHM26051	12320 76th St		\$115.00	First United Methodi	
7/24/2026	SHM26052	10444 Compton Dr		\$115.00	McCarthy	
7/24/2026	SHM26053	74129 Lundy Lane (AKA 741		\$269.00	JMJL Properties LL	New Res w/ Att Garage
7/27/2026	SHM26054	77064 Summers Gate Circle		\$105.00	Wright	
7/31/2026	SHM26055	12980 76th St		\$210.00	Case	New Res w/ Att Garage
Mechanical Totals				\$1,544.00		
Mechanical Totals			\$7,038,786.39	\$20,572.00	\$2,057.20	

SOUTH HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES

Wednesday, July 1, 2026

Approved August 5, 2026

Regular meeting

1) Call to Order: 7:00 PM

2) Role Call:

Tippman - present
Kiry – absent, excused
Odland – present
Meyer – absent, excused
Poole – present
Dibble – present
Nicol – absent, excused

Zoning Administrator: Tasha Smalley
3 in audience

3) Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Dibble to approve the agenda as presented, second by Poole, 4-0 yes, motion passed.

4) Approval of the Minutes

Motion by Tippman to approve the minutes as presented, of June 3, 2026, second by Poole, 4-0, yes motion passed.

5) Public Comment non-agenda items -

Maureen Lewandowski, 13th Ave: had questions regarding dark sky text in the draft zoning ordinance amendment.

Maegan Kurtz, 6th Ave: discussed some ordinance ideas regarding home based business and kennel, dog/animal daycare, home business for camp sites for people with animals, walking trails, micro-farm.

6) Communications / Correspondence - Michigan Township Association, Hot Topics in Planning and Zoning, upcoming classes

7) Public Hearing - none

8) New Business – none

9) Unfinished Business – Review draft zoning ordinance: definitions and Articles 1-7, Districts.

Table of Contents: pages numbers are off, need to be corrected

NSC -was removed, remove from TOC

Art 1, 1.01 I, remove “policy” replace with ordinance

Art 2, Definitions

Adult oriented business; tone down to say just the minimum required.
 Basement; need to re-do, prefer different definition
 Biofuel production facility; is the twp required to allow these?
 Building Height – prefer current definition , remove diagram, use current
 CAFO – are required to allowed these?
 Dwelling – is this necessary, can just use dwelling unit?
 Dwelling, ADU – revisit this definition - remove by a parent, grandparent, or other family member
 Event Center/wedding barn – not in favor of allowing weddings in old barn, possible remove
 Fence – revisit this definition and chart, discussed 7ft fence height; chart says 8ft/change
 Garage, private – need this definition? Is the word garage referred to elsewhere? It is an accessory building. Last line to be removed if need to keep this definition
 Junk – need this definition? Is this referred to elsewhere in the ordinance?
 Lot Coverage – “shall be deemed” better term to use? Revisit pool and deck. Count pool and pool deck?
 Front Lot Line – Two fronts, street is a front. Other are sides, no rear
 Rear lot line – no rear with two/more street fronts
 Manufacturing, processing, or assembly – general? Light?
 “ “ “ Heavy – must we allow?
 Recreation Unit – really need all the definitions?
 Rental – correct “for a period of time from a person who is not the owner”
 Research, lab, testing – must we allow?
 Retail business – what is small quantities?
 Retreat center – is this referred to elsewhere in ordinance, revisit this definition
 Story, half – height refers to specific height, not per story – can remove?
 Swimming pool – suggest remove lot coverage part, in lot coverage already, add above ground too.
 Yards – refers to main building, what about other structures? Could mean any building – replace with structure/s?

10) Staff & Subcommittee report

- a. Board report – Poole – nothing to report
- b. Zoning Board of Appeals – Tippman – nothing to report
- c. Zoning report – Smalley – 3 site plans for Aug meeting

11) Commissioner Comments and Public Comment – none

12) Adjournment

at 8:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tasha Smalley

Zoning Administrator/Recording Secretary

VBCD Newsletter August 2026

Van Buren Conservation District <info@vanburencd.org>
Reply-To: Van Buren Conservation District <info@vanburencd.org>
To: shtwp.clerk@gmail.com

Fri, Jul 31, 2026 at 4:46 PM

[View this email in your browser](#)



VBCD Newsletter

The mission of the Van Buren Conservation District (VBCD) is to promote the conservation of natural resources through partnerships, providing public education, demonstrations, and technical assistance while working together for future generations.

STEWARDING, PROTECTING, MANAGING, AND RESTORING



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Millage Renewal Proposed to Fund Conservation District Programs

Have you ever wondered how the Van Buren Conservation District does the work we do? We're able to do this because of you, our community! The VB CD Millage, voter-approved in 2016 and running through 2025, has allowed us to get more conservation on the ground these last 9 years than ever before.

Conservation districts in Michigan are primarily funded through grants. For the Van Buren Conservation District (VB CD), about 57% of funding comes from grants and about 25% comes from the millage. The remainder of the funding comes from state funding, municipal contributions, sponsorships, charges for services, interest, rentals, tree seedling sale, and donations.

There will be a millage renewal proposal for Van Buren Conservation District programs on the **August 4, 2026** primary ballot. This millage proposal is at 0.0989 mill for a period of 10 years, 2026 through 2035 inclusive. The estimated cost to a household owning a \$100,000 (SEV \$50,000) home would be \$4.95 per year. You can learn more at the weblink below.

[Click here for the millage FAQs](#)



MICHIGAN CONSERVATION STEWARDS PROGRAM

SIGN-UP BY AUGUST 9



Sign-up for Conservation Stewards Program

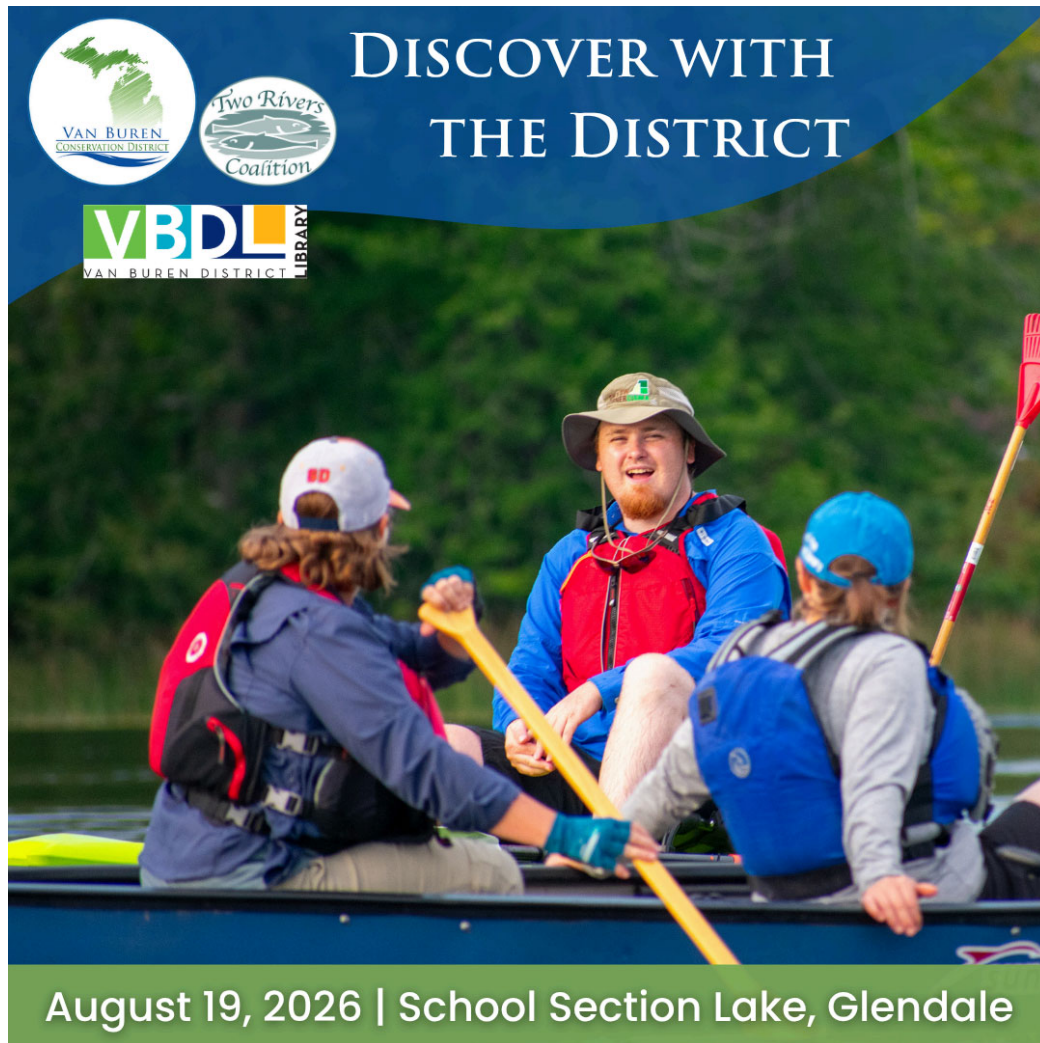
Looking to learn more about Michigan's ecosystems and how you can help them?

Check out Michigan State University Extension's Conservation Stewards Program. Scholarships are available through MSUE at the link below.

There's plenty of great speakers on the agenda, including the VBCD's own Alex Florian and Erin Fuller. You may even get to hear from former VBCD employee Matt Meersman!

There's still a few seats left in the Berrien County cohort. Registration closes August 9th.

[Click here to register](#)



Discover with the District on School Section Lake!

We're teaming up with the Van Buren District Library and Two Rivers Coalition for a FREE paddle on School Section Lake - and you're invited!

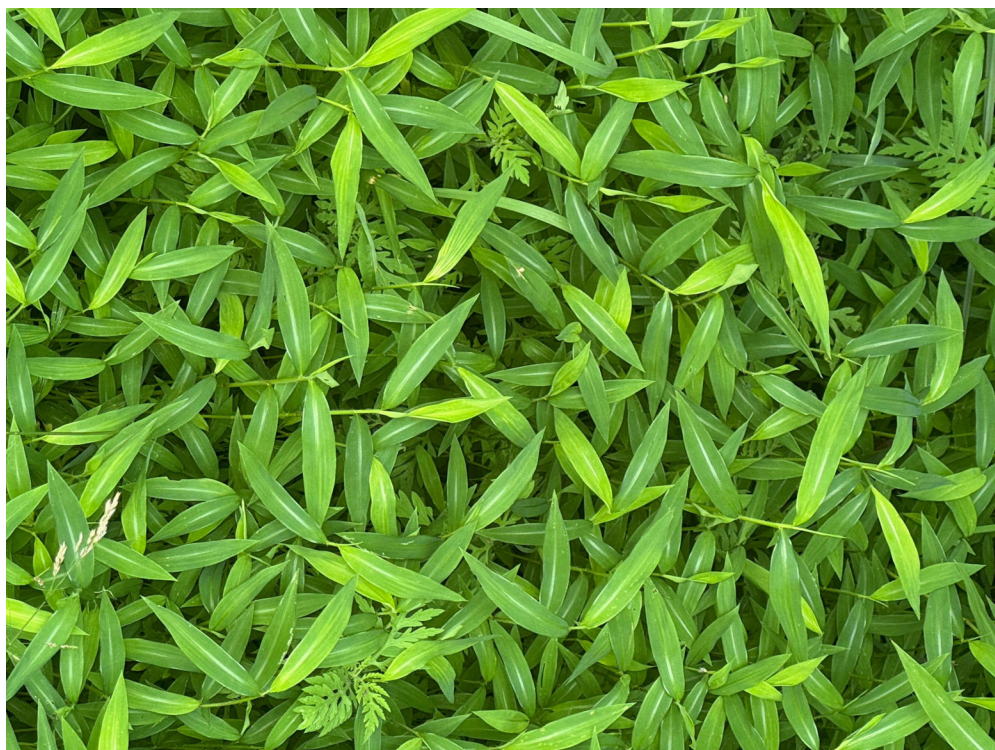
- 👥 Free, open to the public
- 📍 Location: School Section Lake Public Boat Launch, Glendale
- 📅 Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2026 (RAIN DATE: August 26)
- 🕒 Time: 5:30 PM

Spot birds and wildlife, enjoy an evening on the water, and learn how to protect Michigan's lakes. 💧 🐸

✅ Registration is preferred - sign up today!

Carpooling to this event is also encouraged. Please bring your own kayak, paddleboard, or canoe. Equipment is not provided for this event.

[Click here to register](#)



Lookout for Stiltgrass

A new invasive species is spreading across Michigan, and we want you to be on the lookout. The plant is called stiltgrass (*Microstegium vimineum*), and it could be right under your nose.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR

The best way to identify stiltgrass is to look for a silvery line running down the middle of each leaf. This can be difficult to see, and we recommend holding the plant up to the light to look for it.

Stiltgrass is a short, leafy grass. It prefers to grow in shade or partial shade, especially along field edges. Its leaves are 2-3 inches long, and the whole plant can be anywhere from a few inches to 3 feet tall. It can be a dense blanket covering a large area, or a few small plants growing beneath taller grasses.

WHY DOES IT MATTER

Stiltgrass can spread quickly. Each plant produces between 100 and 1000 seeds. Each seed has 2 small hooks that can attach to the fur of an animal or a person's boot. Stiltgrass begins to emerge in May and June, and goes to seed in mid-summer. Those seeds can then grow into full size plants and send out seeds a second time before winter comes. This means it gets two generations of spread each year.

While stiltgrass is common in the southeastern US, it is only found at a handful of sites in Michigan. The first detection of this plant in Van Buren County was found only this year. Finding invasive species early gives us the best chance of responding to them before they get out of control.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU FIND IT

If you think you have seen stiltgrass, you can report it to us by sending us pictures at StrikeTeam@VanBurenCD.org or 269-366-7287.

[Email us about stiltgrass](#)



Calling All Van Buren County Farmers!

After you treat crops with "-icides", remember to recycle your containers with the Van Buren Conservation District!

Containers, jugs, and barrels must be empty, clean, and triple rinsed. This program is free and by appointment-only in Paw Paw.

Reach out to schedule your drop-off:

Materials Management Project Manager Kalli Marshall

ResourceRecovery@VanBurenCD.org

269-633-9314

[Click here to learn more](#)

Mark Your Calendars!

AUGUST

- Recycle Roundup - South Haven | Saturday, August 1 | VanBurenCD.org
- Electronics Recycling Event - City of Gobles | Thursday, August 6 | VanBurenCD.org
- Electronics Transfer Station Host Drop-off - Bloomingdale | Saturday, August 8; Tuesday, August 11; and Saturday, August 15 | VanBurenCD.org
- Artisan Market - Lawrence Park | Saturday, August 15
- Discover with the District: School Section Lake | Wednesday, August 19
 - Rain date: Wednesday, August 26
- Regenerative Agriculture Road Show | Wednesday, August 19
- Power Hours at Columbia Township Transfer Station | Saturday, August 22
- VBCD Board Meeting | Wednesday, August 26 | VanBurenCD.org
- VBCD Board Director Nominating Petitions Due at 4:30 PM | Friday, August 28 | VanBurenCD.org

SEPTEMBER

- Labor Day | Monday, September 7 | office closed
- Presentation at Hartford Senior Services | Monday, September 14
- VBCD Board Meeting | Wednesday, September 23 | VanBurenCD.org

OCTOBER

- Volunteer Water Monitoring | Sunday, October 4
- Indigenous People's Day | Monday, October 12 | office closed
- Recycle Roundup - Lawrence | Saturday, October 17 | VanBurenCD.org
- Black River Fall Colors Paddle Shuttle Trip | Saturday, October 17 | TwoRiversCoalition.org
 - Rain date: Sunday, October 18
- VBCD Board Meeting | Wednesday, October 28 | VanBurenCD.org
- VBCD Board Director Election | Thursday, October 29 | VanBurenCD.org

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Back row, left to right: Kyle Mead, Gabriel Francisco, Alex Florian, Colleen Forestieri, Erin Fuller

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