

Region 2

PLANNING COMMISSION

Serving Hillsdale, Jackson & Lenawee Counties

MEETING MINUTES

Hillsdale City Hall – Full Commission
97 N. Broad Street
Hillsdale, MI 49242

Thursday, November 13, 2025

I. **Call to Order** – Chair Witt called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. A quorum was present.

Attendance:

Adams	Gosselin	Leonard	✓ Shotwell
Barnhart	Gould, J.	Lesinski	Sigers
Beach	Gould, L.	Linnabary	✓ Smith
Benson	✓ Grabert	Marsh	✓ Snell
Britten	Greene	May	Southworth
Burke	Griffin	✓ Minnick, Jr.	Spink
Bush	Gross	✓ Mitchell	Sutherland
✓ Bussell	Havican	Montrief	Swartzlander
Calender	Hawkins	Murphy	Thomas
Cavazos	Hawley	Nickel	✓ Tillotson
Clark	Heath	Norman	Todd
Cockroft	Herlein	✓ Overton	VanCamp
Collins	Hummer	✓ Penrose	✓ VanDoren
Cornish	✓ Jancek	Peters	✓ Walz
Cousino	Jennings	Pfeifer, C.	Weir
✓ Cure	✓ Johnson	Pfeifer, R.	Williams
Davis	Kastel	Pixley	Willis
Dickerson	Keener	Planeta	Wilson
✓ Donaldson	Keller	Root	✓ Witt
Downing	Krasny	Saenz	
Duckham	Kuiper	Scoville	
Gentner	Lance	Shaw	

Key: ✓ = present

Staff Present: Thomas Boss, Brett Gatz, Jacob Hurt, Jill Liogghio, and Kade Peck

Others Present: Jeff Bell, City of Morenci Administrator; Mark Bauby, Research Analyst, Michigan Center for Data and Analytics; Jaclyn Butler, State Demographer, Michigan Center for Data and Analytics; and Alan Leach, Projections Specialist, Michigan Center for Data and Analytics

- II. **Approval of the November 13, 2025 Agenda** – The motion was made by Comm. Jancek, supported by Comm. Snell, to approve the November 13, 2025 agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- III. **Public Comment** – Chair Witt requested public comment. No public comment was made.
- IV. **Approval of Full Commission Meeting Minutes for September 11, 2025** – The motion was made by Comm. Jancek, supported by Comm. Walz, to approve the Full Commission meeting minutes of September 11, 2025 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.
- V. **Receipt/Approval of Treasurer’s Report of October 31, 2025** – The motion was made by Comm. Jancek, supported by Comm. Grabert, to receive the October 31, 2025 Treasurer’s Report as presented and approve payment of the November 13, 2025 submitted bills. The motion carried unanimously.
- VI. **Staff Progress Report for September and October 2025** – The September and October 2025 staff progress reports were included in the agenda packet. Mr. Hurt presented highlights from the staff progress report for the months of September and October 2025.
- VII. **MPO/JACTS Update** – The MPO/JACTS Update was provided in the packet and Mr. Gatz provided highlights from that report.
- VIII. **Presentation by Mark Bauby, Research Analyst, Jaclyn Butler, State Demographer, and Alan Leach, all from Michigan Center for Data and Analytics** – Population trends for the Region 2 area were discussed and the presentation was distributed.
- IX. **Appointment of 2026 R2PC Nominating Committee** – Motion was made by Comm. Minnick, Jr., supported by Comm. Walz, to appoint Pete Jancek, Mike Overton, Andy Penrose, Ray Snell, and Ralph Tillotson to the 2026 R2PC Nominating Committee. The motion carried unanimously.
- X. **Approval of 2026 R2PC Meeting Schedule** – Motion was made by Comm. Snell, supported by Comm. Jancek, to approve the 2026 R2PC Meeting Schedule. The motion carried unanimously.
- XI. **Personnel and Finance Committee Report** – Motion was made by Comm. Overton, supported by Comm. Minnick, Jr., to approve Mr. Hurt’s employment contract for 3 years. The motion carried unanimously.
- XII. **Other Business** – None.
- XIII. **Public Comment / Commissioners’ Comments** – None.
- XIV. **Adjournment** – There being no further business, Chair Witt adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

Dale Witt
Chair

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