Region 2 PLANNING COMMISSION
Serving Hillsdale, Jackson & Lenawee Counties

MINUTES

US-12 PURE MICHIGAN BYWAY COMMITTEE
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Monday, August 24, 2026

Members Present: Aaron Dimick, Village of Brooklyn
Joe Fowler, MIS
Cindy Hubbell, Irish Hills Chamber of Commerce
Tim Robinson, Lenawee Now
Mike Trudeau, Trudeau-Associates (Chair)

Others Present: Evan Blake, Region 2 Planning Commission
Brett Gatz, Region 2 Planning Commission
Clayton Sigmann, MDOT Pure Michigan Byways Program

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Trudeau called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Introductions were done by the committee.

ITEM 2 PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, supported by Mr. Dimick, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 4 APPROVAL OF JUNE 22, 2026 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, supported by Mr. Dimick, to approve the meeting minutes of June 22, 2026 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5 EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Mr. Dimick said he will be representing the Village of Brooklyn at all meetings going forward, so Matt Swartzlander will no longer be attending. Since Mr. Swartzlander served as Vice-Chair of the committee, a vote was taken on electing a new Vice-Chair. A motion was made by Mr. Sigmann, supported by Mr. Robinson, to have Aaron Dimick serve as Vice-Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

No reports were given from any committee members.

ITEM 7a **DEVELOPMENT OF NEW US-12 CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Mr. Gatz said that R2PC will start working of the new corridor management plan in October, since they will receive the funding to start developing it on October 1.

ITEM 7b **US-12 RESOURCE INVENTORY**

Mr. Sigmann talked about ways the committee can collect inventory for the new Corridor Management Plan.

ITEM 7c **MEMBERSHIP ANALYSIS**

Mr. Sigmann said he will contact municipalities along US-12 who are not currently attending meetings to see if someone in their office is willing to attend.

ITEM 8 **US-12 GARAGE SALE**

Mr. Sigmann informed the committee that the US-12 Garage Sale took place earlier in August. Next year the committee will plan to help advertise the event.

ITEM 9 **OTHER BUSINESS / NEXT STEPS**

Mr. Gatz said that the committee will meet again in October once the new fiscal year starts.

ITEM 10 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

ITEM 11 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Dimick, supported by Mr. Robinson, to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Brett Gatz, Recording Secretary
Region 2 Planning Commission