



The Village of

Port Sanilac

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Approved Minutes

Village of Port Sanilac Council Meeting January 20, 2026

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by President Pro Tem M. Balysh

President Pro-Tem M. Balysh calls the Council Meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Council Members Present: M. Balysh, S. Balysh, J. Sroka, B. Moran, Jr., B. Simon, A. Smiley

Council Members Absent: D. Falcon

Staff Members Present: Larry O'Keefe, Barbara Joslin, Scott Bickel

Guests: Mary Simon, Kathleen Poirier, Ken Poirier, Nancy Cole, Ron Cole

Agenda/Additions:

Motion by B. Moran, Jr., seconded by S. Balysh to approve agenda, with amendments. **Motion Carried.**

Public Comment:

Ron Cole – Town Hall Notice, could not find it online, did not see it posted in the village. Questioned The "Salt" on the left lane of Goldman.

(It was posted online, at the bank, post office and in the office lobby. Also, in the newspaper last week of December-where all the town hall meetings and Council meetings for the year.)

Presidential Appointments: none

Presentations: none

Petitions and Communications: none

Village Departments, Committees, and Commissions:

Governance Committee:

a. Sheriff's December Incident Report – Lt. Ron Edington/Sgt. Todd Laming

b. Harbor Master's January Report dated January 12, 2026 was read by the clerk.

Planning Commission: none

Community Development:

a1. Community Development Meeting dated January 6, 2026

a2. Bylaws of Port Sanilac Community Foundation

Motion by S. Balysh, seconded by B. Simon to approve the Bylaws for the Port Sanilac Community Foundation, As recommended by the Community Development. **Motion Carried.**

Parks & Recreation:

a. Parks & Recreation Meeting Minutes no meeting in January

Finance:

a. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes no meeting in January

New Business: none

Unfinished Business:

a. b. Planning Commission – Short Term Rental – late application (396 S. Lake St.)

Motion by S. Balysh, seconded by A. Smiley to approve application that was late. **Motion Carried.**
(Planning Commission working on verbiage with late applications, approval, fines, etc.)

SEFA

a. Sanilac East Fire Authority – Monthly Meeting Schedule-added meeting for February 17, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

a1. Letter of Resignation – Benjamin Hunter stepping down from Sanilac East Fire Authority
Opening on the SEFA board.

Bills:

a. **Motion** by B. Moran, Jr., seconded by B. Simon to approve Village bills **PAID** dated January 13, 2026 in the amount of \$26,157.29. **Motion Carried.**

b. **Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by J. Sroka to approve Harbor bills **PAID** dated January 14, 2026 in the amount of \$3,042.04. **Motion Carried.**

c. **Motion** by A. Smiley, seconded by B. Simon to approve Village bills **TO BE PAID** dated January 20, 2026 in the amount of \$4,318.66. **Motion Carried.**

d. **Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by A. Smiley to approve Harbor bills **TO BE PAID** dated January 21, 2026 in the amount of \$10,923.36. **Motion Carried.**

e. **Motion** by B. Moran, Jr., seconded by B. Simon to approve Water Project bills **TO BE PAID** dated January 22, 2026 in the amount of \$1,707.50. **Motion Carried.**

Minutes:

Motion by S. Balysh, seconded by B. Simon to approve the Council Meeting Minutes dated January 6, 2026, as submitted. **Motion Carried.**

Business Manager: none

Compiling bullet points for Bark Shanty Community Center Committee

Public Comment:

Ron Cole – summer water restriction for lawn watering.

Mary Simmon – Bullet points follow the Master Plan

Clerk: Barbara Joslin – going into closed session

Closed Session: If necessary:

Motion by J. Sroka, seconded by B. Simon to move into closed session at 7:59 p.m.

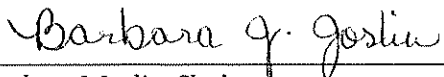
Roll Call Vote:

M. Balysh _X_ S. Balysh _X_ J. Sroka _X_ B. Moran Jr. _X_ B. Simon _X_ A. Smiley _X_ D. Falcon _absent_

Return to open session at 8:36 p.m.

Adjournment:

Motion by S. Balysh, seconded by B. Simon to adjourn the council meeting at 7:41p.m.



Barbara J. Joslin, Clerk