



The Village of

**Port Sanilac**

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**Approved Minutes**  
**Village of Port Sanilac Council Meeting**  
**August 18, 2026**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by J. Sroka

President Falcon calls the Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

**Council Members Absent:** none

**Staff Present:** Larry O'Keefe, Barbara Joslin, Scott Bickel, Dan Finn

**Guests:** Jeff Smeader, Roger Bobby, John Rogers, Angie Wagester, Bonnie Rumble, Marie Willis, Shawn Bielecki, David Hazlett, Ron Cole, Nancy Cole, Pat Greene, Art Schlichting, Don Diem, Mark Willis, Sgt. Megan Loding.

**Agenda/Additions:**

**Addition to the agenda under #8 Petitions and Communications:**

Added a letter from Scott McDonald dated August 17, 2026 (Antique Boat & Camper Show 2026)

**Motion** by B. Moran, Jr., seconded by A. Smiley to approve Agenda and Additions, (Addition #8b. Letter from Scott McDonald) **Motion Carried.**

**Public Comment:**

Ron Cole – Complaint in regards to 448 S. Lake Street, tall grass on south side of Goldmen Street.

Code Enforcement Officer, Scott Bickel – follow up regarding village complaints.

Nancy Cole – possible water leak at 480 S. Lake Street.

John Rogers – “Great” Antique Camper & Boat Show, Car Show – his favorite village event.

Roger Bobby – Antique Camper & Boat Show, Car Show – great event for the village, brings in a lot of revenue for the local businesses.

Jeff Smeader – Whitney Drive, needs grass trimmed, weed spraying in the village.

Jim Sroka – Council ruling (April 21, 2026) regarding the set up for the Antique Camper and Boat Show.

Mark Willis – Antique Camper & Boat Show.

John Rogers – how can the Village reconcile with Mr. McDonald?

Sue Balysh – Antique Camper & Boat Show.

Mike Balysh – Antique Camper & Boat Show

Angie Wagester – Antique Camper & Boat Show, Jeanine Harper puts her heart and soul into this event.

Loved the Pin Up Girls! The Village does not want to lose this event.

Brian Moran, Jr. – Antique Camper & Boat Show, his wife has offered to take it over for next year.

**Presidential Appointments:** none

**Presentations:** none

**Petitions and Communications:**

**a. Formal Complaint – Ordinance Violation Parking on Sidewalk – Ordinances 3.20.1, 3.20.2, 3.20.3**

Filed by Jim Sroka – 181 S. Lake Street – Vehicle Blocking Sidewalk (Wednesday, August 7, 2026 & Thursday, August 8, 2026.)

b. Antique Boat & Vintage Campers & Vintage Car Show 2026 – Harbor Park  
Letter from Scott McDonald dated August 17, 2026 was read by the clerk.

**Village Departments, Committees, and Commissions:**

**Governance Committee:**

- a. Sheriff's July 2026 Incident Report – was presented by Sgt. Megan Loding
- b. Sheriff's August 2026 Expenditures Estimate
- c. Harbor Master's August Report dated August 2026 – Anne Soule was read by the clerk

**Planning Commission:**

**Community Development:**

- a1. Community Development Meeting Minutes dated August 4, 2026 was presented by L. O'Keefe
- a2. 2025-2026 Sidewalk Project – still compiling information

**Parks & Recreation:**

- a. Parks & Recreation July 2026 Report was presented by Dan Finn

**Finance:**

- a. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes meeting August 4, 2026 was presented by L. O'Keefe
- b. Finance reviewed options for an extended Booster Station Generator Warranty and recommend Council approve the 5-year Comprehensive Warranty Upgrade for \$2,704. charged to account number 591-100-803.

**Motion** by B. Moran, Jr., seconded by J. Sroka to approve extended Booster Station Generator 5-year Comprehensive Warranty Upgrade for \$2,704. charge to account number 591-100-803. **Motion Carried.**

- c. Finance reviewed the EMC Insurance proposal for an annual premium of \$26,105. to be allocated between various Village asset groups and recommend Council approve.

Account numbers

101-100-807 for \$7,570.45  
565-100-807 for \$5,743.10  
661-100-870 for \$6,526.25  
591-100-870 for \$1,566.30  
590-100-807 for \$1,566.30  
202-100-807 for \$1,566.30

**Motion** by B. Moran, Jr., seconded by B. Simon to approve EMC Insurance proposal for annual premium of \$26,105. **Motion Carried.**

**New Business:** none

**Unfinished Business:**

- a. Cedar Street – closing of the street.

**SEFA**

- a. Sanilac East Fire Authority – Meeting Minutes August 14, 2026

The pancake breakfast was a great success! The second emergency truck to be put on the road is about six weeks out from being delivered.

**Sanilac Township**

- a. Sanilac Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated August 13, 2026. (Minutes were not available at the time of the meeting.)

**Council Meeting Minutes August 18, 2026**

**PSABA**

**a. PSABA** (Port Sanilac Area Business Association) Membership Meeting Minutes dated August 12, 2026. (President Angie Wagester, recommends that all Council members participate in Village events.)

**Bills:**

**a. Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by B. Simon to approve Village bills **PAID** dated August 11, 2026 in the amount of \$18,954.92. **Motion Carried.**

**b. Motion** by M. Balysh, seconded by A. Smiley to approve Harbor bills **PAID** dated August 12, 2026 in the amount of \$3,210.76. **Motion Carried.**

**c. Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by B. Moran, Jr. to approve Village bills **TO BE PAID** dated August 18, 2026 in the amount of \$31,300.78. **Motion Carried.**

**d. Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by A. Smiley to approve Harbor bills **TO BE PAID** dated August 19, 2026 in the amount of \$31794.05. **Motion Carried.**

**Minutes:**

**Motion** by B. Moran, Jr., seconded by M. Balysh to approve the Council Meeting Minutes dated August 4, 2026, as submitted. **Motion Carried.**

**Business Manager:** Larry O'Keefe – B. Moran, Jr. asked about the culvert repair at Church Street.

**Clerk:** Barbara Joslin commented regarding a fireworks contract with Acepyro company. President Falcon reassigned this to Parks & Recreation Department and Brian Moran, Jr. to work out the details.

**Public Comment:**

Jeff Smeader – he will volunteer to help with the fireworks and using the 4x4 and trailer.

Roger Bobby – Harbor Master does a “great job” and especially the “Raising of the Flag” event with the kids.

Dan Finn – R & R Fireworks

Jim Sroka - Fireworks

**Closed Session:** If necessary:

**Motion** by \_\_, seconded by \_\_ to move into closed session at \_\_ pm

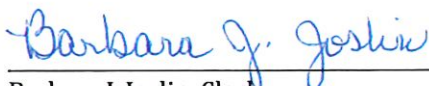
**Roll Call Vote:**

M. Balysh \_\_, S. Balysh \_\_, J. Sroka \_\_, B. Moran Jr. \_\_, B. Simon \_\_, A. Smiley \_\_, D. Falcon \_\_

Return to open session at \_\_ pm.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion** by D. Falcon, seconded by M. Balysh to adjourn the council meeting at 8:11 p.m.

  
Barbara J. Joslin, Clerk