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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DR. TIM BORING
DIRECTOR

Rural Development Fund Board Meeting
Friday, August 15, 2025
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saint Ignace Public Library
110 W Spruce Street, Saint Ignace, Michigan 49781

AGENDA

Welcome

MDARD – Tim Boring, MDARD Director, Agriculture and Rural Development

Introductions – All

Approval of Agenda (Action Item) - All

Approval of April 2025 Minutes (Action Item) – All

Public Comment

Review of Public Comment and 2026 Grant Guidelines and Timelines (Action Item)

Tracey Barnes, Grants Program Manager

Labor and Economic Opportunity's (LEO) Office of Rural Prosperity Update

Henry Wolfe & Amanda Scott, LEO

Presentation – Michilimackinac Historical Society

Jim Draze, President MHS & Rick Perry, MHS Architect

Establish 2026 Meeting Schedule (Action Item) - All

- Spring Meeting – Tentative Dates: April 6-10, 13-17
- Summer Meeting – Tentative Dates: July 6-10, 13-17

Public Comment

Meeting Adjourns

Next Meeting is TBD 2026, in the Lower Peninsula