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# MANISTEE COUNTY REGIONAL SUMMIT COMMITTEE

Friday, February 2, 2024  
10:00 a.m.

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. Planning Summit 2024
4. Other Items from Committee Members
5. Adjournment

Time	Item	
8:30am	Check-In & Networking – Coffee & Continental Breakfast	
9:00am	Welcoming Remarks, Benzie Chamber	M.Barefoot, Executive Director
9:05am	LEGISLATORS PANEL *Representative John Roth *Representative Betsy Coffia *Senator Jon Bumstead	B.Riedy, Frankfort-Elberta High School
9:25am	Benzie County Update	K.Zeits, County Administrator
9:35am	City of Frankfort Update	J.Holwerda, Mayor
9:45am	EDUCATION PANEL *BEST Benzie County – Maggie Bacon *Benzie County Central Schools – Kyle Taylor *Frankfort-Elberta Schools – Matt Stapleton *Northwestern Michigan College – Nick Nissley	J.Harnish or K.Bond, Advocates of Benzie County
10:15am	TOURISM UPDATE - Traverse City Tourism	Speaker TBD
10:25am	RECREATION UPDATE – Betsie Valley Trail	J.Gribble, Public Relations
10:35am	HEALTHCARE UPDATE – Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital	TBD
10:45am	CHILDCARE PANEL *Early Childhood Network Coordinator – Sue Campagna *NMCAA / Head Start – Kim Micham *Whistle Stop Learning Center – Ashley Lindstrom *Benzie Schools Early Childhood – Katie Johnston *Scott's Little Bear Child Care – Anje Scott	Sarah May, Benzie Human Services Collaborative
11:15am	BROADBAND UPDATE – Charter Communications	M.Passmore, Director – State Govt Affairs
11:25am	HOUSING UPDATE – Housing North	Y.Brown, Director
11:35am	Frankfort-Elberta Chamber of Commerce Update	J.Carland, Board Chairperson
11:45am	Benzie Area Chamber of Commerce Update	M.Bowyer, Board Chairperson
11:55am	Closing Remarks, Benzie Chamber	M.Barefoot, Executive Director

Lunch immediately following at the Nautical Café at Hotel Frankfort