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**HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON
Agriculture and Rural Development**

DATE: February 18, 2020

Chairman VanWoerkom called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Representatives VanWoerkom, Bollin, Albert, Green, Kennedy, Sabo, and Brixie were present.

Representative Bollin moved that the minutes of the December 13, 2019 meeting be approved; the motion was approved by voice vote without objection.

The Subcommittee heard a presentation by the Gary McDowell, Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) describing the proposed FY 2020-21 MDARD budget. Director McDowell was joined by MDARD Budget Director, Maria Tyszkiewicz. Copies of the MDARD presentation are included in the official subcommittee meeting file and are posted on the House Fiscal Agency website.

Questions and discussion followed.

The House Fiscal Agency provided the subcommittee with a Review and Analysis of the proposed budget. Copies of the MDARD analysis document are included in the official subcommittee meeting file and are posted on the House Fiscal Agency website.

Chair VanWoerkom adjourned the meeting at 10:15 AM without objection.