

Chairman Walls called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

Commissioner Stenger gave the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Clerk Williams called the Roll with the following Commissioners present:

Barb Stenger, Colleen Carrington-Atkins, Dan Sloan, Chuck Vayda and Karl Walls;  
Commissioner's Brunn and Fairbanks were absent and excused.

Commissioner Atkins moved that the agenda be approved, seconded by Vayda. There was a Voice Vote and it was approved, with the addition of Resolution #1348.

Commissioner Atkins moved that the minutes from April 27, 2016 be approved, seconded by Vayda. There was a Voice Vote and it was approved.

Commissioner's Brunn and Fairbanks joined the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment

### **FINANCE**

#### **Payment of the bills:**

|            |                               |                     |
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| <b>101</b> | <b>GENERAL FUND</b>           | <b>\$55,562.76</b>  |
| <b>207</b> | <b>ROAD PATROL</b>            | <b>\$6,456.03</b>   |
| <b>210</b> | <b>EMERGENCY 911</b>          | <b>\$208.18</b>     |
| <b>211</b> | <b>RRP CENTER</b>             | <b>\$12,316.84</b>  |
| <b>215</b> | <b>FRIEND OF THE COURT</b>    | <b>\$14.68</b>      |
| <b>249</b> | <b>BUILDING INSPEC. DEPT.</b> | <b>\$3,706.53</b>   |
| <b>256</b> | <b>ROD AUTOMATION</b>         | <b>\$11,775.21</b>  |
| <b>260</b> | <b>CRIME VICTIMS REIMB.</b>   | <b>\$87.80</b>      |
| <b>261</b> | <b>E911 SERVICE FUND-WIRE</b> | <b>\$699.00</b>     |
| <b>269</b> | <b>LAW LIBRARY</b>            | <b>\$64.08</b>      |
| <b>292</b> | <b>CHILD CARE-PROBATE</b>     | <b>\$4,065.90</b>   |
| <b>505</b> | <b>AMBULANCE</b>              | <b>\$27,323.00</b>  |
| <b>569</b> | <b>DHHS BUILDING</b>          | <b>\$343.18</b>     |
| <b>595</b> | <b>COMMISSAARY FUND</b>       | <b>\$6,585.32</b>   |
|            | <b>TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$129,208.51</b> |

Commissioner Atkins moved to approve the semi-monthly detail analysis dated May 11, 2016 totaling \$129,208.51; seconded by Fairbanks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Atkins, Brunn, Vayda, Stenger, Fairbanks, Sloan, Walls

Nayes: None

Absent and excused: None

Commissioner Atkins moved to approve of the departmental purchase requisition in excess of \$1,000 dated May 11, 2016; seconded by Fairbanks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Sloan, Fairbanks, Brunn, Atkins, Stenger, Vayda, Walls

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

Moneys were allocated out of the CTI fund for work to be completed in the Sheriff's Department in preparation of the new workout equipment appropriated through a federal surplus program.

Commissioner Atkins moved to approve the RAP grant application to the MMRMA for costs associated with the security and fire alarm systems in the Road Patrol Building, and authorize the County Administrator to sign any and all documents, seconded by Fairbanks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Vayda, Atkins, Sloan, Brunn, Fairbanks, Walls

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

Stenger did not vote

Commissioner Atkins moved to approve Resolution #1347 authorizing the Lake County Road Commission, as delegated authority responsible for maintaining the lake level of Big Star Lake, to retain a licensed engineer to inspect the control structure and provide an estimate of costs to repair and maintain it; seconded by Vayda.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Fairbanks, Sloan, Vayda, Stenger, Atkins, Brunn, Walls

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

Commissioner Fairbanks wanted to know if the Lake County Road Commission was happy with the decisions that were made. Steve Leonard, Manager at the LCRC affirmed.

Commissioner Atkins moved to approve the Engagement Letter for legal services with Fahey, Schultz, Burzych, Rhodes, PLC, related to the Big Star Lake Level Project and authorize the County Administrator to sign any and all necessary documents; seconded by Fairbanks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Vayda, Fairbanks, Stenger, Sloan, Brunn, Atkins, Walls

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

Commissioner Atkins moved to approve Resolution #1348 for the Unveiling Ceremony of the Richard Allen Portrait and the Presentation of the United States Postal Service Forever Stamp; seconded by Sloan.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Atkins, Brunn, Sloan, Vayda, Fairbanks, Stenger, Walls

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

**PRESENTATIONS** - Building Authority

Tobi Lake stated that there are a few items for the new building that need to be completed, that should not cost much to the County. Out of the \$675,000, it will be approximately \$14,441 over in initial costs to complete the project. Of the \$14,441, \$5,677 went to preliminary design, engineering and surveying. There is about \$8,764 in additional overages for things such as five roof drains, a mistake in the railings for the basement and to put the flag pole back up and to light it would cost around \$2,200.

In November in 2014, the Lake County Board of Commissioners moved to approve \$400,000 to be given to the Building Authority from the RRP account, and the funds were to be used for future projects. The \$400,000 brought the Building Authority budget to over one million, which provided for a better interest rate on that money. The funds were not used and subsequently, it is the hope that the interest made on this money could be used to pay for the overages incurred by the County in the aforementioned.

Commissioner Sloan made the motion to authorize the Building Authority to utilize funds derived from investment earnings of the \$400,000 given by the Board of Commissioners in November 2014 to be used for enhancements and other additional costs associated with the construction of the Sheriff's Department building; seconded by Fairbanks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Stenger, Brunn, Fairbanks, Atkins, Sloan, Vayda, Walls

Nays: None

Absent and excused: None

Commissioner Vayda wanted clarified how much interest had been earned to-date on the \$400,000. Don Turnwall stated that on the one million in the account currently, between \$21,000 and \$24,000 was invested each year.

Commissioner Stenger thanked Don Turnwall for the way he managed this project. Commissioner Walls affirmed.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Lake County Permit Summary – There was no discussion.

Commissioner Sloan referenced an email that was sent to the Board by Clerk Williams on May 3, 2016. He accused the Clerk of making changes to the resolution after it had already been passed.

Clerk Williams stated that she did not make any changes to the resolution in question, but that the Administrator's office had a typo on it referencing MCLA 43.13b, and she felt he was referring to MCLA 43.13b. The Clerks' intention was to bring this fact to the boards' attention. Clerk Williams went on to request that when the board receives resolutions, they should read them carefully before signing them. She also informed the board that Tobi emailed her

yesterday regarding this issue, and admitted that he should not have included the MCLA in the resolution to begin with, but that this was a practice he used in Newaygo County.

### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Personnel** – There is a meeting scheduled for tomorrow at 10:00 a.m.

**Properties & Safety** – No meetings

**Parks and Recreation Commission** – Commissioner Atkins wants to begin the process of appointing the Commissioners for the Commission. Atkins wants people identified that work with youth to be a part of the commission.

**Council on Aging** – There is a meeting scheduled for May 17, 2016.

**District Health Department #10** – There is a meeting on May 27, 2016.

**Lake County Economic Alliance** – There will be a meeting on May 16, 2016.

**Five Cap** – Prepares tax returns for low income people. They have a new 3-year contract to do 4-county weatherization.

**Lakeshore Regional Entity Oversight Board** – A letter of support was approved in support of Spectrum Health to become a substance abuse treatment facility.

**Mental Health** – Approved new bylaws.

### **Michigan Association of Counties Sub-Committees –**

**Economic and Taxation** – There will be a meeting on May 20, 2016.

**Health and Human Services** – Worked on updating the MAC platform.

**Transportation** – There is a meeting scheduled for May 20, 2016.

**ORV Ordinance** – No meetings until February.

**WMSRDC AND CEDS** – There is a meeting scheduled for Monday in the morning.

**Yates Dial-a-Ride Advisory Board** – Meetings are held on the last Monday in the month.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Sloan stated that there is a residence near the Luther Elementary School that has a pile of garbage behind it in Ellsworth Township. He stated that the Township Supervisor contacted the Health Department, but was told to call Protective Services or DHS. He encouraged the county's two District Health board members to look into the matter because he states that this is a public health hazard. Commissioner Atkins discussed the roles of the health

department, the township and others in a situation like this. She stated that these roles need to be clarified.

Commissioner Stenger talked about her meeting at the Village of Luther, and there was a lot of discussion about the aforementioned topic regarding garbage.

Commissioner Brunn also talked about issues regarding some trailers being demolished in Cherry Valley.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**Administrator's Report** – Tobi Lake talked about his intention to bring up a motion an exception to the out-of-state travel policy. He was approached by Sheriff Robinson regarding the workout equipment he acquired through a federal surplus program. Sheriff Robinson communicated to Tobi that the only cost to the county to retrieve the equipment would be for the cost of the gas to pick it up, along with the cost of the truck, trailer and labor. After further discussion with Sheriff Robinson, Tobi realized that no exception to the policy was needed.

Tobi attended the 911 meeting and it was encouraged that 911 work with the Lake County Road Commission, to produce and split the cost of road maps, which will save money and improve the quality of the maps. Commissioner Fairbanks cautioned that 911 funds are for emergency services only and not for maps. He suggested that perhaps the Sheriff's Department could dip into the CTI fund to help pay for this or it could be taken out of the General Fund.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – There was no public comment.

### **MISCELLANEOUS** - Commissioner's privilege

Commissioner Stenger – Stated that Dick Lucas was appointed to Village President of Luther. There is a Save the Steeple spaghetti dinner and silent auction on Saturday night, May 14, 2015, at the United Methodist Church.

Commissioner Atkins – Discussed resolution #1348, the Unveiling Ceremony of the Richard Allen Portrait and the Presentation of the United States Postal Service Forever Stamp. The ceremony will be Sunday May 15, 2016 at the Tabernacle AME Church.

Commissioner Vayda – Thanked all the guests for coming to the meeting.

**Meeting was adjourned at 11:58 p.m.**

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 11, 2016  
10:30 A.M.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Williams, Clerk for the Board

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Karl Walls, Chairman