

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
November 9, 2015
6:00 p.m.

Chairman Walls called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

County Clerk Myers called the roll with the following Commissioners present:

Dan Sloan, Barb Stenger, Chuck Vayda, John Brunn and Karl Walls.

Absent: Colleen Carrington-Atkins. Absent and excused: John Fairbanks

Commissioner Sloan moved that the agenda be approved, seconded by Commissioner Brunn, by voice vote carried.

Commissioner Brunn moved that the minutes from the October 28, 2015 regular meeting be approved, seconded by Commissioner Vayda, and by voice vote carried.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT *Limited to 5 minutes each, please!*

Bob Long voiced his appreciation for the evening meeting.

An Ellsworth Township resident thanked the Board for the recent EMS meeting and expressed appreciation for the work.

Chairman Walls wished to turn the meeting over to Barb Stenger and she introduced Kathy May, Supervisor and Addie Choponis, Trustee for Dover Township as hosts for this meeting.

Chairman Walls introduced the new County Administrator, Tobi Lake.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE

Commissioner Brunn moved for the approval of the conference and training request for Dawn Summers and Bobbi Keefer, Clerk/ROD office to attend the Concealed Pistol License Training November 16th in Kalamazoo, no registration cost, no lodging cost, County car available, meals \$64.00 for a total cost of \$64.00, seconded by Commissioner Vayda, Roll Call Vote 5 Yes, 2 absent and excused Commissioners Carrington-Atkins and Fairbanks.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins arrived at 6:10 p.m.

Approval of the conference and training request for Dawn Summers, Clerk/ROD office to attend Train the Trainer Election Inspector December 2nd in Wexford County, no registration cost, no lodging cost, meals \$10.00 for a total cost of \$10.00, Commissioner Brunn moved for the approval of the above request, seconded by Commissioner Vayda, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

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Commissioner Brunn moved to recommend the approval of the conference and training request for Tiffany Youngs, 911 to attend 40 hour Advanced Dispatch Training December 14-18 in Adrian, MI. Registration cost \$699.00, lodging cost \$540.00, meals \$210.00, for a total of \$1,449.00, seconded by Commissioner Vayda, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

Commissioner Brunn moved to recommend the approval of the purchase requisition for Juvenile Court to Human Relations Media for \$1,154.78 for educational cds (100% grant funded), seconded by Commissioner Vayda, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

Payment of Bills

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins moved for payment of bills by fund, as follows:

General Fund	\$53,036.27
Road Patrol	3,322.93
E911	281.23
RRP Center	4,277.27
Friend of the Court	177.12
Building Inspection Department	4,699.60
Register of Deeds-Automation	1,046.00
Crime Victims Reimbursement	146.58
Law Library	59.44
Child Care-Probate	11,463.82
JABG Grant	1,131.23
Ambulance	27,323.00
D.H.H.S.	937.70
Commissary Fund	4,971.27
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$112,873.46</u>

Seconded by Commissioner Brunn, roll call vote on the above motion is 6 Yes and 1 absent and excused Commissioner Fairbanks.

Administrator Lake presented and reported on the following Budget Amendments:

BA #13884

Debit 249-371.00-865.000 Credit 249-371.00-802.050 \$1,000.00

Description: Building Department to move money from gasoline to contract services.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval of such, seconded by Commissioner Stenger, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

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BA #13899

Debit	525-253.00-983.002		\$7,500.00
		Credit	525-253.00-955.000
			\$6,500.00
		Credit	525-253.00-802.001
			\$1,000.00

Description: Treasurer Dept. to move money from other equipment and miscellaneous to CPA audit.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval of such, seconded by Commissioner Stenger, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

BA #13905

Debit	101-191.00-900.000	Credit	101-191.00-901.000	\$200.00
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Description: Elections to move money from printing to publishing

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval of such, seconded by Commissioner Stenger, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

BA #13911

Debit	295-666.01-863.007	Credit	295-666.01-727.000	\$600.00
Debit	295-666.01-863.007	Credit	295-666.01-860.000	\$450.00
Debit	295-666.01-863.007	Credit	295-666.01-802.000	\$950.00

Description: Juvenile to move money from training, to office supplies, travel and contract services.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval of such, seconded by Commissioner Stenger, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

BA#13912

Debit	249-371.00-865.000	Credit	249-371.00-802.041	\$ 1,300.00
Debit	249-371.00-727.000	Credit	249-371.00-802.041	\$ 300.00
Debit	249-371.00-802.056	Credit	249-371.00-802.041	\$ 400.00
Debit	249-371.00-933.000	Credit	249-371.00-802.050	\$ 800.00
Debit	249-371.00-977.000	Credit	249-371.00-802.050	\$ 150.00
Debit	249-371.00-977.000	Credit	249-371.00-802.054	\$ 350.00
Debit	249-371.00-860.000	Credit	249-371.00-802.054	\$ 600.00

Description: Building Department to move money from multiple line items to electrical, plumbing, and mechanical inspection.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval of such, seconded by Commissioner Stenger, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes, 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

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AGENCY REPORTS:

Personnel

Meeting after the first of the year. IT personnel and EQ personnel.

Parks Committee

Commissioner Brunn has sat down with Gabriel regarding grants and will review with administration on which ones to apply.

Ambulance Ad Hoc Committee

Chase Township Hall – Thursday at 6 p.m.

Building Authority

The Building Authority met this morning with architect and Building Authority chairman.

DHD #10

Commissioner Stenger met last week and discussed grants for Building Healthy Communities. Discussions were held regarding marijuana on the ballot in November, 2016 which will allow the public to decide on legalization of recreational marijuana. Signatures need to be collected.

Economic Development Committee

Commissioner Sloan reported a meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2015.

FiveCap

Commissioner Stenger reported on their all day training.

Solid Waste

Clerk Myers gave a report – 10 responses have been received to approve or deny. Emails have been sent to other 5 townships.

Michigan Association of Counties Sub-Committee

Econ/Tax – Commissioner Brunn reported a meeting discussing taxing medical marijuana. It is now illegal to tax pharmaceuticals, when you do tax them, it becomes recreational marijuana.

MSU District 5 Extension Council

Chairman Walls asked if the letter was sent with the change in the county representative. County Clerk Myers stated that Commissioner Fairbanks stated at the last meeting he was going to take care of that.

ORV Ordinance

Commissioner Sloan gave a brief update

ORV Promo

Commissioner Sloan reported that there are 14,000 followers on social media site. A discussion was held on all of the violations noted in the paper. He further reported on the Bit Social Company that was contracted and explained some of the promotions that they are handling. This is funded through May.

911

Commissioner Vayda reported on the recent meeting in which the 911 Director reported that Code Red and Text 911 systems are up and running.

Discuss Letter of Understanding with Union

Administrator Lake reported that a letter of understanding was prepared and gave a brief update on the need for such, and explained that the two employees with health care concerns/issues. Clarity was needed and done by way of the letter of understanding with corrections command. He further stated that these issues are usually dealt with in a closed session, but did not want to delay them any longer.

Commissioner Sloan did not want to vote on something that they have not read and requested this be added to the meeting on the 25th. The consensus of the other commissioners is to vote on this at this meeting. Commissioner Sloan has always requested that all agreements be brought before this board prior to any vote being taken. A discussion followed.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins moved to recommend to accept the letter of understanding as prepared by Abbott Nicholson and County Administrator to remedy situation for DeWolf on retiree health care issue, as corrections command, seconded by Commissioner Vayda, discussion followed.

Commissioner Stenger stated she has a problem that this may impact others in the future and we may set precedence. A discussion followed.

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Commissioner Sloan stated that this will remedy an issue for DeWolf's situation, but for us to potentially establish precedence at this meeting is a real disservice. However, he wants to remedy the situation, but feels this is a disservice to his constituents.

Roll Call Vote 6 Yes and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

Commissioner Brunn stated that he has had a phone call from a constituent who wishes the retirees MERS COLA be looked at in the future. Chair stated this will be looked at in 2016. Commissioner Vayda stated that the health care will also be reviewed.

Administrators Report

Administrator Lake asked that the board make a formal appointment of himself as the FOIA Coordinator. Commissioner Sloan moved to appoint Administrator Lake as the FOIA Coordinator, seconded by Commissioner Carrington-Atkins, Roll Call Vote 6 Yes and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Fairbanks.

It was reported that the computer issues were resolved on Tuesday by IT Right. IT Coordinator John Kovalcik sent out an email regarding this.

Extended Public Comment

Lori and Tom DeWolf thanked everyone and then stated that she has been in contact with chair and reported that the retiree health insurance is not the same as the current employee insurance. She also stated the constituent that contacted Commissioner Brunn is Ms. Worthington and has nothing to do with what she is asking to be reviewed.

Commissioners Personal Privilege: Commissioner Brunn thanked the hosts and stated that he really enjoys these meetings in the evenings and wishes they could be done more often. Commissioner Carrington-Atkins thanked everyone.

Adjourn/Recess at the Call of the Chairman

Being no further business, meeting was recessed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly Myers, Clerk to the Board

Karl Walls, Chairman