

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Board Meeting
July 27, 2016 – 10:00 A.M.

Chairman Walls called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins gave the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Deputy Clerk Keefer called the Roll with the following Commissioners present:
Barb Stenger, John Brunn, John Fairbanks, Colleen Carrington-Atkins, Karl Walls.
Absent: Chuck Vayda

Commissioner Fairbanks moved that the agenda be approved; seconded by Commissioner Carrington-Atkins with the following changes:

- Remove/delete item 7H from agenda. This item did not pass at Finance Committee meeting at 9:30 a.m. July 27, 2016.
- Add 7A1 - Discuss line item of the cost of reprinting of ballots in Clerk's office.
- Add 7I – Discuss mileage for Barb Stenger for Economic Development Alliance travel.
- Old Business – Commissioner Fairbanks requested to discuss the Hollister Center.

Voice vote approved, with changes.

Commissioner Fairbanks moved that the minutes from July 13, 2016 be approved; seconded by Commissioner Brunn and with a Voice Vote, it was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sandy Clarke introduced herself and spoke regarding her credentials, experience, and accomplishments

Steve Stekatee spoke of overflow and requested that the construction date changed to after September 15th.

Brendan Losinski from the Lake County Star announced that he will be leaving in two weeks for a job in Warren, MI. He thanked the Board and the community for their support over the time he's been working for the newspaper.

Senator Booher spoke of issues and updates at the State level as well as budget items.

- Prison systems in Michigan
- Hospitals – regarding taxes
- Medical Marijuana – cash issues, doctor's capping the amount needed/prescribed specific amount (kept in vaults – banks cannot accept money collected to grow, sell, medical marijuana which is considered drug money)
- Insurance costs, upcoming changes
- Energy issues
- Lake County should be seeing increases from revenue sharing

Commissioners had questions for the Senator. Discussions followed.

Lisa Hotovy from WMCMH discussed a summary of the Annual Report which was included in Board Packet and the following items:

- Funding has been decreasing
- Autism program moved to old Video Schmideo building
- Change in staff
- Changes made in program delivery, structure, productivity, and consumer interaction.
- Made changes to their employee/staff health care plan
- Lisa complimented Barb Stenger on her representation on the WMCMH Board.

DS left the room at 11:16 a.m. returned at 11:17 a.m.

FINANCE

71A: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve the semi-monthly detail analysis dated July 27, 2016 totaling \$152,565.03; removing line item for election ballot reprint by county clerk in the amount of \$1,321.31; seconded by Commissioner Sloan.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

7A1: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve to pay \$1,321.31 for reprinting of elections ballots; seconded by Commissioner Carrington-Atkins. Commissioner Sloan recommended tabling this motion to the next board meeting. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Sloan moved to table this item to the next board meeting; seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Sloan, Brunn

Nays: Fairbanks, Stenger, Atkins, Walls

Absent: Vayda

Motion denied

Motion made by Commissioner Fairbanks to pay \$1,321.31 for the reprinting of election ballots; seconded by Commissioner Carrington-Atkins.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Brunn, Atkins, Stenger, Fairbanks, Walls

Nays: Sloan

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

71B: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve the (3) Departmental Purchase Requisition in excess of \$1,000.00 dated July 27, 2016; seconded by Commissioner Brunn.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

7C: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve the purchase of two (2) new workstations for the CAD system within Central Dispatch at a cost of \$2,474, money to come from fund 210.325.00.931.000 (Equipment Maintenance); seconded by Commissioner Stenger. Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

7D: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve the purchase of 911 Emergency Service Maps for Central Dispatch at a cost of \$6,136.00, money to come from fund 261.346.00.863.004 (Training/Mapping Expense); seconded by Commissioner Atkins. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Fairbanks stated to the Board that he would like to see the funds to come out of somewhere other than 911 funds. Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Stenger, Brunn, Fairbanks, Atkins, Walls

Nays: Sloan

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 1:15 p.m.

7E: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve of the FY 2016-2017 County Child Care Summary Budget between the county and Michigan Department of Health and Human Service (MDHHS) and authorize the board chairman to sign any and all necessary documents, including the execution of online authorization; seconded by Chairman Walls. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Sloan moved to table Motion 7E until the next board meeting in order to have more time to review the material; seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Sloan, Stenger, Atkins, Fairbanks, Walls

Nays: None

Absent: Vayda, Brunn

Motion carried

Commissioner Brunn returned to the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve the board chair to become the signatory for the Child Care Fund; seconded by Commissioner Sloan.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

7F: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve the appointment of the County Administrator to serve as Lake County's Officer Delegate to the Municipal Employee's Retirement System (MERS); seconded by Commissioner Sloan. Voice Vote approved.

7G: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve Resolution #1353, to submit the Senior Citizens Renewal Millage Proposal to the voters at the November election; seconded by Commissioner Sloan.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

7I: Commissioner Fairbanks moved to approve Barb Stenger to receive mileage when attending Economic Development Meetings; seconded by Commissioner Sloan.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Vayda

Motion carried

COMMITTEE REPORT

Personnel Committee: Commissioner Sloan explained the timeline and schedule for the county employee job description updates.

Area Agency on Aging – Commissioner Carrington-Atkins reported the committee discussed funding at their last meeting.

Council Agency on Aging – the Board requested that the members of the committee come in and discuss concerns.

DHD#10 – Discussion held on alternates for this committee. Choosing Health in Lake County is hosting a Farmer’s Market on August 24th. Lake County Communities That Care Coalition is holding a “Champion Program”.

Planning Commission – Commissioner Carrington- Atkins reported that the bylaws for this commission were reviewed at the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Stenger discussed the topic of commissioners’ involvement in the hiring process. She feels the board should only be involved in the hiring of department heads, administrative positions. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Fairbanks questioned the insurance coverage on the Hollister Center.

Clerk Williams explained the reprinting of ballot issue. Discussion followed.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Lake brought up brief information given on allegation of fraud in the senior meals program that was printed in the paper.

He gave an update regarding a trip to Cincinnati for an appearance regarding an ongoing lawsuit.

He discussed personal property taxes and millage comparisons within the state.

Administrator Lake held a discussion regarding audit numbers/results.

He spoke of the child care fund and how it works. The county may have to pay back \$380,000 in funding that wasn’t eligible for Title V and discussed how it would be paid back.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER’S PRIVILEGE

Commissioner Colleen Carrington-Atkins announced that there will be a free annual homecoming concert on August 6th.

Commissioner Dan Sloan stated that the Luther Lions Club is hosting Christmas in July this evening from 5-7 p.m.

Commissioner John Fairbanks stated that he was upset that a certain commissioner can't make it to the meetings.

Chairman Karl Walls announced that he was very pleased with the County Alliance meeting he attended.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Williams, Clerk for the Board

Karl Walls, Chairman