

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
Wednesday November 22, 2017

Prayer: Commissioner Maddox

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Lodholtz called the Meeting to order at: 10:03 am

Commissioner Walls moved that the Agenda dated December 13, 2017 be approved; seconded by Commissioner Brunn. *All in favor-motion carried*

Commissioner Walls moved that the Minutes dated November 22, 2017 be approved; seconded by Commissioner Dermeyer. All in favor-motion carried

Lake County Clerk Patti Pacola called the roll with the following Commissioners present:

Balulis	Brunn
Dermeyer	Walls
Maddox	Lodholtz
Runnels	

Absent: none

Public Comment:

Various people spoke up with concerns for Retiree Health Benefits. Some were displeased with the cost of the property across the street and some want what is now being offered to new employee's and/or to be reinstated. Others want the \$125 now being offered.

Many spoke in support of keeping MSU Extension in Lake County including MSU staff as well as the negative impact on the County without them.

Public Budget Hearing:

Began at 10:25 am

Again, various people spoke in support of MSU and Retiree Health Benefits.

Public Budget Hearing closed at 10:51 am

Motions:

- a) Commissioner Balulis moved to recommend to the Board of Commissioners the approval of the semi-monthly detail analysis dated December 13, 2017 totaling \$193,759.93; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. *Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.*
- b) Commissioner Balulis moved to approve 2 Departmental Purchase Requisitions in excess of \$1,000 dated December 13, 2017; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.

- c) Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve Resolution #1379 approving the request by Lake County to the West Michigan Regional Pathology Services Authority; with a second by Commissioner Runnels. Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.
- d) Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of Resolution #1380, Lake County Appropriations Act Resolution for FY 2018 Operating Budget; with a second from Commissioner Walls. Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.

Discussion followed:

Commissioner Brunn supports MSU.

Commissioner Balulis agree they should continue with the base pay for another year.

Commissioner Walls disagrees as it is not the County's job to support MSU.

Commissioner Maddox supports keeping them.

Commissioner Dermeyer supports keeping them another year at the base pay.

Commissioner Runnels agrees with keeping them.

Commissioner Dermeyer made a motion to amend the Budget and put MSU base pay back in; with a second from from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call vote: Walls-no, Brunn-yes, Balulis-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Maddox-yes, Runnels-yes, and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

- e) Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve the MERS Employer Resolution #1381, establishing a Uniform Transfer Provision; with a second from Commissioner Walls. Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.
- f) Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of a one-year step increase for RRP Corrections Deputy Shana Skaggs and retro back to 11-7-17; with a second from Commissioner Walls. Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.
- g) Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of a step one increase for Deputy Shawn Arens with an effective pay period beginning 12-2-17; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.
- h) Commissioner Balulis made a motion to authorize the County Administrator to approve and pay the year end accounts payable; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call vote-all in favor-motion carried.

Presentations:

Jeff Stockhill from Life EMS

- ✓ Lake County is the best staffed
- ✓ MiWorks pays for the Perimetric classes/training
- ✓ Webber, Pleasant Plains and Baldwin hold the majority of the calls.
- ✓ Residents are asking for more rigs and EMS explained how this would raise taxes in large amounts.

Response times for priority 1's are as follows:

Webber	7:53
Pleasant Plains	8:19
Baldwin	5:30
Chase	11:37
Elk	21:16
Lake	12:18
Ellsworth	18:37
Yates	10:18

Newkirk	13:26
Pinora	17:39
Peacock	11:20
Eden	14:59
Cherry Valley	11:49
Dover	21:11
Sauble	12:46
Luther	18:01
Sweetwater	15:43

Correspondence:

Lake County Permit Summary Report for November 2017

New Business:

Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve the Board Chairman's appointment of Seth Hopkins (thru 1-1-2020), Don Arquette (thru 1-1-2020) and the third seat being open; with a second from Commissioner Maddox. All in favor-motion carried.

Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve the Board Chairman's appointment of Ariel Lucas (thru 1-1-2022) to the Lake County Library Board; with a second from Commissioner Maddox. All in favor-motion carried.

Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve the Board Chairman's appointment of Tobi Lake (thru 1-1-2020) and Sharyn McGreehan (thru 1-1-2020) to the Lake County Building Authority; with a second from Commissioner Maddox. All in favor-motion carried.

Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve Shana Avery (thru 1-1-2020) and Heidi Alfrey-Gambles (thru 1-1-2020) to the Lake County Parks and Recreation Committee; with a second from Commissioner Dermeyer. All in favor-motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Administrators Report:

- ✓ PA 530 Retirement System Annual Reports states if a County is not 60% funded-a Plan must be filed with the State of Michigan.
- ✓ County incentive is done
- ✓ Workers Compensation Liability Insurance will run cheaper at approximately 10G
- ✓ Interviews are in the process for Steve's position.
- ✓ Auditors will be here Thursday and Friday.
- ✓ Past Boards have approved \$25,000 each year to the Economical Development Committee if funds are matched.
- ✓ County health benefits quit at age 65 for previous retiree's when Medicaid kicked in.

Committee Reports:

Commissioner Dermeyer-Dial A Ride, Agency on Aging and Five Cap reports
 Commissioner Walls-MiWorks report
 Commissioner Brunn-Parks & Recreation and IT reports
 Commissioner Balulis-MAC report

Commissioner Runnels-Northern Michigan Counties, Lake Shore Regional and 4H reports
Commissioner Maddox-Parks & Recreation report

Public Comment:

None

Commissioners Privilege:

none

Meeting adjourned at 1:31

Patti Pacola-Lake County Clerk