

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Lake Township Hall
15580 S. Star Lake Road
Baldwin, MI 49656

Regular Meeting
Wednesday September 26, 2018

Prayer: Commissioner Maddox

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman called the Meeting to order at: 6:01 pm

Commissioner Maddox moved that the Agenda be approved; seconded by Commissioner Runnels. *All in favor-motion carried*

Commissioner Dermyer moved that the Minutes dated September 12, 2018 be approved; seconded by Commissioner Runnels. *All in favor-motion carried.*

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

Maddox	Brunn
Runnels	Walls
Balulis	Dermyer
Lodholtz	

Public Comment:

None

Motions:

- a. Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of the semimonthly detail analysis dated September 26, 2018 totaling \$184,083.00; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call: Maddox-yes, Runnels-yes, Balulis-yes, Brunn-yes, Walls-yes, Dermyer-yes, and Lodholtz-yes. *All in favor-motion carried.*
- b. Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of FY 2018 EMPG Grant Agreement and authorize the Board Chair to sign any and all necessary documents; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call: Walls-yes, Brunn-yes, Balulis-yes, Dermyer-yes, Maddox-yes, Runnels-yes, and Lodholtz-yes. *All in favor-motion carried.*
- c. Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of the new Deputy Clerk to be hired using the new MML wage study scale and provisions as outlined in Resolution 1812; effective October 26, 2018, contingent upon receipt of resignation to the 911 Director by October 1, 2018; with a second from Commissioner Runnels.

Discussion followed:

As a current County employee-it was confirmation that all benefits in place will continue. County Clerk Patti Pacola gave approval to start at a level 2 pay rate and Administrator Tobi Lake approved the level 3 pay rate. Commissioner Dermeyer ask for added confirmation that the new Deputy Clerk will start at a level 3 pay rate and Administrator Lake confirmed. Roll call: Dermeyer-yes, Runnels-yes, Brunn-yes, Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Maddox-yes, and Lodholtz-yes. All in favor-*motion carried*.

- d. Commissioner Balulis made a motion authorizing the County Administrator to take the steps for Lake County to host the West Central Michigan County Alliance meeting in October of 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$1,500; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call: Runnels-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Brunn-yes, Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Maddox-yes and Lodholtz-yes. All in favor-*motion carried*.
- e. Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of the request for qualifications and work responsibilities, authorize the County Administrator to work with surrounding counties to select and contract with Indigent Defense Managed Assigned Counsel Administrator under the County's grant with the State; with a second from Commissioner Runnels. Roll call: Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Brunn-yes, Runnels-yes, Maddox-yes, Dermeyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes. All in favor-*motion carried*.
- f. Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of modifying the Non-Union Personnel Manual to allow part time employees to progress through the wage scale based upon the completion of 2080 hours worked; with a second from Commissioner Walls. Roll call: Maddox-yes, Balulis-yes, Runnels-yes, Walls-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Brunn-yes and Lodholtz-yes. All in favor-*motion carried*.

Correspondence:

1. WMSRDC Region 6 Homeland Security Fiduciary
2. Letter of Appreciation to Christian Aid Ministries
3. Indigent Defense special update: grant funding and the law

New Business:

The Commissioners discussed a possible FT School Resource Officer. They have met numerous times in the last 3-4 weeks with the Sheriff and School Principal to discuss details and form a plan of action as well as funding. This position would build relationships, school security during school hours, dances and sports activities as well as add some hours to Road Patrol. The estimated cost will be \$100,000 per year with 25% coming from Road Patrol funding, \$45,000 from the County and \$30,000 from the school. These costs are still under negotiation and have not been finalized yet.

Unfinished Business:

None

Commissioners Comments:

Commissioner Dermeyer: shared that Baldwin Family Health Care now has optical and Dial A Ride has a new program where they can help shovel for people in wheel chairs.

Commissioner Brunn: none

Commissioner Walls: has MiWorks next week

Commissioner Maddox: Economical Development approved the contract with the Wright Place to hire someone 20 hours per week. This person will be shared with Oceana.

Commissioner Runnels: went on a Wind Turbine tour that was informative.

Commissioner Lodholtz: The County Planning Commissioner has a Public Hearing coming up for the Master Plan and the Parks and Recreation Committee is moving forward with their plans.

Commissioner Balulis: gave an update on Emergency Management and her MACC group is on Summer break.

Administrators Report:

RRP garbage disposal broke and an emergency request for repair was approved. The County has a new Public Guardian as Judy Ashbaugh has retired. Budget time line has been formed and meeting will begin soon.

Public Comment:

Steve Stekettee thanked the Commissioners again for coming to Lake Township.

Commissioner Walls apologized for missing the Finance meeting.

Sauble Township ask the Commissioners to hold an evening meeting there on the next schedule.

Commissioner Dermyer added that Animal Control has been given an award for cutting utilization by 20% since they have started using Social Media.

Commissioner Balulis complimented every one (the Community) for coming together after the big storm that left Lake County in a state of devastation.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm

Patti Pacola-Lake County Clerk