

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

800 10th Street
Baldwin, MI 49656

Regular Meeting - APPROVED
Wednesday February 12, 2020

Prayer: Commissioner Dermeyer

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman called the Meeting to order at: 10:03

Present: Martin, Arquette, Dermeyer, Sanders, Walls, Balulis, and Lodholtz

Commissioner Walls moved that the Agenda be approved; with a second from Commissioner Sanders. *All in favor-motion carried.*

Commissioner Balulis moved that the Minutes dated January 22, 2020 be approved with a second from Commissioner Dermeyer. *All in favor-motion carried.*

Public Comment:

None

Motions:

Commissioner Dermeyer made a motion to approve the semi-monthly detail analysis dated February 12, 2020 totaling \$249,345.49; with a second from Commissioner Sanders. Roll call: Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Sanders-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Arquette-yes, Martin-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried

Commissioner Dermeyer made a motion to approve of the creation of a second part time Veteran's Affairs Officer position, to be placed in Grade 4 of the MML wage scale, contingent upon the County receiving a grant from the State to fund the position; with a second from Commissioner Arquette. Roll call: Arquette-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Balulis-yes, Martin-yes, Sanders-yes, Walls-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: Nicolette McClure (Chairwoman for the County VA Committee) was present to give further information.

Commissioner Dermeyer made a motion to approve of the elimination of the second, now vacant, full time Equalization Appraiser position and authorize the County Administrator to do budget amendments as needed; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. Roll call: Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Sanders-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve of the reinstatement of the Equalization Clerk position, to change the position to part time effective March 23, 2020, and authorize the County Administrator to do budget amendments as needed; with a second from Commissioner Walls. Roll call: Walls-yes, Sanders-yes, Balulis-yes, Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermeyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martin motion to approve of Casey Guthrie, Equalization Director; John Kovalcik, Equalization Appraiser; and Debra Russel, Mapping/Addressing Clerk, to move from 37.5 to 40 hours per week effective March 23, 2020, and to authorize the County Administrator to do budget amendments as needed; with a second from Commissioner Arquette. Roll call: Arquette-yes, Martin-yes, Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Sanders-yes, Dermeyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve of FY2020 County Veteran Service Fund Grant application and authorize the Board Chairman to sign any and all necessary documents; with a second from Commissioner Walls. Roll call: Dermeyer-yes, Sanders-yes, Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Arquette-yes, Martin-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve of the Intergovernmental Service Agreement with the US Dept of Homeland Security/Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agreement to house and transport federal inmates and to authorize the Sheriff to sign the agreement; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. Roll call: Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Sanders-yes, Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermeyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to authorize an exception to the County's Out of State Travel Policy to send Officer Hurrle to Texas to conduct a background investigation for a road patrol candidate; with a second from Commissioner Arquette. Roll call: Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Sanders-yes, Balulis-yes, Walls-no, Dermeyer-no, Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: Officer Hurrle gave an explanation of the importance of these investigations.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to update the ORV Ordinance map to reflect the 17 items in 2020 Proposals for the ORV Map, as recommended by the ORV Ordinance Committee; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. Roll call: Balulis-yes, Sanders-yes, Walls-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Martin-yes, Arquette-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: DNR and the Forestry are opposed to Tower Road being open so the Commissioners agree to monitor it for a year.

Correspondence:

Lake County Permit Summary Report for January 2020

New Business:

Commissioner Martin made a motion to allow the Administrator to take necessary steps to recall back laid off employees to facilitate staffing regarding the Federal Contract; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. Roll call: Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Sanders-yes, Walls-yes-Balulis-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Balulis made a motion to approve of the creation of an additional committee member seat on the County ORV Ordinance Committee to represent the Manistee Forest ORV (MFO) group and appoint Dave Titus to the position term ending 12/31/20; with a second from Commissioner Sanders. All in favor-motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

none

Administrators Report:

Updates:

- Arial photo's
- FOIA
- Parks & Rec
- Holister Center (need a lease in place)
- Webber Township and County Building Inspector RV Agreement
- Indigent Defense
- Survey/Remon new plan due by March 1, 2020
- Financing: G84 701 Trust & Agency definition is changing
- Material Statement in Audit
- Brownfield for old Jerry's building

Public Comment:

Nicolette McClure reminded the Commissioners that it is African American History month

Miscellaneous:

Administrator Lake reminded the Commissioners that there is a Legislative Conference April 15-17. Commissioner Walls, Martin and Lodholtz offered to go for the group and bring information back.

Commissioner Balulis made a motion to adjourn; with a second from Commissioner Dermeyer. All in favor-motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:26

Patti Pacola-Lake County Clerk