

**LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

800 Tenth Street  
Baldwin, MI 49304

Regular Meeting-Proposed  
Thursday November 25, 2020

Prayer by Commissioner Dermyer

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Lodholtz called the meeting to order at 10:01 am

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

Absent:

Commissioner Martin made a motion to accept the agenda dated November 25, 2020; Commissioner Arquette seconded. *Roll call: Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Sanders-yes, Dermyer-yes, Arquette-yes, Martin-yes and Lodholtz-yes*

Commissioner Dermyer made a motion to accept the minutes dated November 12, 2020 as written; Commissioner Martin seconded. *Roll call: Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermyer-yes, Sanders-yes, Walls-yes, Balulis-yes and Lodholtz-yes*

**Motions:**

- a) Commissioner Sanders made a motion to approve the semi-monthly detail analysis dated November 25, 2020 totaling \$185,808.63; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. *Roll call: Arquette-yes, Martin-yes, Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Sanders-yes, Dermyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes*
  
- b) Commissioner Sanders made a motion to approve of the 3 individual Indigent Public Defenders Contract Agreements (District & Circuit Court) with the Law Firm of Christine Clancy Frisbie, Alvin E. Swanson and Smulders Law Office from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and authorize the Board Chair and Indigent Defense System Administrator to sign any and all necessary documents; with a second from Commissioner Arquette. *Roll call: Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermyer-yes, Sanders-yes, Walls-yes, Balulis-yes and Lodholtz-yes.*
  
- c) Commissioner Dermyer made a motion to accept the proposal from Maner Costerisan to provide Professional Auditor Services for Fiscal Years 2020, 2021, and 2022, with the option for 2023 and 2024 and authorize the County Administrator to enter into a contract in-line with the terms, conditions, and amounts in their proposal; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. *Roll call: Sanders-yes, Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes*
  
- d) Commissioner Dermyer made a motion to dedicate and name the Lake County Emergency Operations Center after the county's first Emergency Manager and dedicated volunteer, Mac McClellan, and authorize the County Administrator to take the steps

necessary to achieve this; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. *Roll call: Dermeyer-yes, Arquette-yes, Martin-yes, Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Sanders-yes and Lodholtz-yes*

- e) Commissioner Arquette made a motion to authorize the County Administrator to approve and pay the year end accounts payables; with a second from Commissioner Martin. *Roll call: Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Sanders-yes, Martin-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Arquette-yes and Lodholtz-yes*
- f) Commissioner Arquette made a motion to authorize the renewal of the financial commitment to the Lake County Economic Development Alliance (LCEDA) in the amount of \$25,000 a year for an additional 3 years (2021, 2022, and 2023); with a second from Commissioner Balulis. *Roll call: Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Sanders-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Arquette-yes, Martin-yes and Lodholtz*
- g) Commissioner Arquette made a motion to approve the renewal of Blue Care Network (BCN) as the county's Health Insurance for 2021 for both Active Employees and Pre-65 Retirees and authorize the County Administrator to sign any and all necessary documents; with a second from Commissioner Sanders. *Roll call: Arquette-yes, Martin-yes, Dermeyer-yes, Balulis-yes, Sanders-yes, Walls-yes and Lodholtz-yes*

**Presentations:**

Karen Moore – Indigent Defense

**Correspondence**

Life EMS

**New Business:**

Commissioner Sanders made a motion to accept the resignation of Kathy Oostmeyer from the Lake County Library Board, effective November 16, 2020 with appreciation; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. *Roll call: Sanders-yes, Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermeyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes*  
*Term ending 12/31/2023*

**Unfinished Business:**

none

**Administrators Report:**

- ICS: inmates telephone contract. FCC Authority is adjusting rates
- COVID Response Policy update
- Large FIOA's
- Mental Health Building lease
- Budget
- Community Incentive Plan
- CEFA
- GASB 84

**Public Comment:**

None

**Commissioners Privilege:**

Commissioner Martin gave an update for the Board of Health  
Commissioner Dermyer gave an update for Dial A Ride, 5Cap, and Area Agency on Aging

**Closed Session:**

Commissioner Sanders made motion to go into closed session under MCL 15.268 section 8C, for strategy and negotiations connected with the negotiation of the collective bargaining agreements for each of the county's five (5) unions; with a second from Commissioner Martin.

*Roll call: Martin-yes, Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Sanders-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes*

*Under MCL 15.267 Section 71 a simple majority roll call vote is needed to go into closed session for this item. Four yes votes are needed.*

Open session resumed at 11:35 am

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the Tentative Agreements between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and the Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) for the Dispatchers, Corrections Officers, and Deputies; and the Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM) for the Corrections Command Officers and the Road Command Officers and authorize the Board Chairman to sign all five contracts on behalf of the County, subject to final language; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. *Roll call: Walls-yes, Balulis-yes, Sanders-yes, Martin-yes, Arquette-yes, Dermyer-yes and Lodholtz-yes.*

**Adjournment:**

Commissioner Dermyer made a motion to adjourn at 11:47; with a second from Commissioner Balulis. *Roll call: Balulis-yes, Walls-yes, Sanders-yes, Dermyer-yes, Arquette-yes, Martin-yes and Lodholtz-yes*

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Patti Pacola  
Lake County Clerk/ROD