

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

800 10th Street
 Baldwin, MI 49656
 Wednesday March 12, 2025

Prayer: Prayer with Commissioner Raymond

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman called the meeting to order at: 10:00

Present: Sanders, Seroczynski, Raymond, Russel, Fuller and Lodholtz

Absent: Welford

Commissioner Fuller moved that the agenda be approved with a second from Commissioner Sanders. *All in favor motion carried.*

Commissioner Sanders moved that the Regular Minutes dated February 26, 2025, with a second from Commissioner Raymond. *All in favor-motion carried.*

Public Comment:

Bob Woolever complimented the updated Minutes on the county webpage.
 Prosecutor Greg Mick has asked for a higher wage for an Assistant Prosecutor.

Presentations:

Lake County Medical Examiner

Motions:

101	GENERAL FUND	\$74,264.10
207	SHERIFF ROAD PATROL FUND	\$4,028.65
208	PARKS AND RECREATION	\$66.36
211	JAIL T.R.V. PROJECT	\$1,847.53
215	FRIEND OF THE COURT	\$554.90
220	HOLLISTER SENIOR CENTER FUND	\$60.00
249	BUILDING INSPECTION DEPT	\$2,331.71
251	EMERGENCY 911 PROGRAM	\$2,122.92
256	REG OF DEEDS AUTOMATION FUND	\$1,003.06
260	INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	\$30,068.17
269	LAW LIBRARY	\$144.28
292	CHILD CARE-PROBATE	\$5,552.31
293	SOLDIERS' RELIEF FUND	\$1,245.00
505	AMBULANCE	\$32,707.80
569	DHS BUILDING	\$648.93
	TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS	\$156,645.72

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve the semi-monthly detail analysis dated March 12, 2025 totaling \$156,645.72; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. Roll call vote: Seroczynski-yes, Raymond-yes, Sanders-yes, Russell-yes, Fuller-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve the (MDARD) 2025 Animal Welfare Fund Grant Agreement in the amount of \$11,000 (\$3,000 for vaccination program and \$8,000 for spay/neuter assistance) and authorize the County Administrator to sign any and all documents; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. Roll call vote: Raymond-yes, Sanders-yes, Russell-yes, Fuller-yes, Seroczynski-yes and Commissioner Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve the letter of support for Great Lakes Energy's BEAD funding application and authorize the Board Chair to sign the letter; with a second from Commissioner Seroczynski. Roll call vote: Sanders-yes, Russell-yes, Fuller-yes, Seroczynski-yes, Raymond-yes, and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve the Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation Districts' service agreement for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Program; to appropriate \$2,000 for 2025 for the program, money to come from 101-266-00-802-000; and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the service agreement on behalf of the County; with a second from Commissioner Seroczynski. Roll call vote: Russell-yes, Fuller-yes, Seroczynski-yes, Raymond-yes, Sanders-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve to amend the following sections of the Lake County Personnel Manual to implement Public Act 338 of 2018, as amended, also known as the Earned Sick Time Act (ESTA), effective 3/12/2025; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. Roll call vote: Russell-yes, Fuller-yes, Seroczynski-yes, Raymond-yes, Sanders-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Section III, Part C Sick Leave: Items 1, 7, & 8
Section III, Part F Personal Business Days: Item 9

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to authorize the attendance and to cover the costs of the 2025 MAC Legislative Conference for three Commissioners with an estimated approximate cost of \$2,200, not including additional meals or gasoline; with a second from Commissioner Sanders. Roll call vote: Sanders-yes, Fuller-yes, Seroczynski-yes, Raymond-yes, Russell-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion carried.

Discussion:

Hotel:	\$822.45
Parking:	\$45.00 (3 days)
Conference registration: Full Conference	\$1275.00
3 Commissioners:	\$2,142.45

Not Counting meals, and gasoline.

Correspondence:
Building Department January Permit Summary

Unfinished Business:
None

New Business:

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve of the Oceana County Board appointment of Mr. James Niemiec from Arbre Farms to the MMPC representing a business that generates a managed material. Mr. Niemiec will be replacing the vacancy left by Don Squire effective February 13, 2025, term Ending 12/31/2029; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. All in favor-motion carried.

Administrators Report (includes but is not limited to):

- ✓ PA 2 Medical
- ✓ Village of Luther ARPA Funds
- ✓ Housing
- ✓ Carpeting starting in the old part of the courthouse
- ✓ OPIOID funds update

Commissioners:

Commissioner Rusell: MiWorks

Commissioner Lodholtz: Parks and Rec

Commissioner Sanders: 911 and LEPC

Public Comment:

Adjourned at 11:20 am

Patti Pacola-Lake County Clerk