

**MINUTES OF THE CLARE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING**

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Harrison, Michigan 48625
August 14, 2015

Meeting was called to Order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Jack Kleinhardt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Commissioners: District 1: Dale Majewski, District 2: Samantha Pitchford, District 4: Jack Kleinhardt, District 5: Donald David, District 6: Karen Lipovsky, District 7: Jim Gelios

Absent: District 3: Leonard Strouse

Others Present, Signing In: None

It was moved by Commissioner Karen Lipovsky, seconded by Commissioner Donald David, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Karen Lipovsky, seconded by Commissioner Dale Majewski, to approve the meeting minutes from July 15th, July 23rd and August 5th as presented. Motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT-NONE

2016 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Administrator Tracy Byard distributed updated information as related to the Budget specifying changes to line items as per her recommendations or changes that had been made at the previous meeting along with changes as approved and / or suggested by Commissioners. She called attention to information relative to computer servers and then called upon Jim Shuster, Information Technology, to explain. He explained that servers are purchased over a period of years and that they are a perpetual expense. A proposal from TEAM Financial Group provided a five year lease option for servers and he asked that consideration be given for the lease option because it spreads the cost of \$107,000 over a five-year period of \$21,400 per year. A lengthy discussion then followed regarding wages and salaries, fund balances cell phones and the bond amount under consideration. The updated spreadsheet information was then reviewed again with few items being settled.

Fund budgets were then briefly discussed with Commissioners approving \$7500.00 for recovery court and Senior Service Director Lori Ware discussing wage increases for employees within her department.

It was moved by Commissioner Karen Lipovsky, seconded by Commissioner Donald David, to approve all fund budgets as presented. Motion carried with one abstention being Commissioner Dale Majewski

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Commissioner Dale Majewski, seconded by Commissioner Karen Lipovsky, to approve Budget Adjustments #15-169, #15-170, #15-182, #15-183, #15-184, #15-185, #15-187, #15-188, #15-189, #15-190 and #15-181, in the amounts of \$904.58, \$300.00, \$35,474.00, \$6395.46, \$785.00, \$5,707.00, \$2833.25, \$2.76, \$150.68, \$1827.17 and \$69,953.00 respectively. Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

It was moved by Commissioner Karen Lipovsky, seconded by Commissioner Dale Majewski, to go into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation.

Roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (6) being Commissioners Lipovsky, Majewski, David, Kleinhardt, Gelios and Pitchford

Nays: (0)

Absent: (1) Strouse

Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION TO BEGIN at 11:00 a.m.

BACK IN OPEN SESSION AT 11:09 a.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Karen Lipovsky, seconded by Commissioner Dale Majewski to provide authorization to Commissioner Gelios to negotiate a settlement based on county attorney recommendations. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.



Pamela Mayfield, Clerk
Clare County Board of Commissioners



Jack Kleinhardt, Chairman
Clare County Board of Commissioners