

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

Harrison, Michigan 48625

Approved 10/20/2021
~~Unapproved minutes~~
September 30, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for our active military, veterans and first responders.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

District 1 Dale Majewski, District 3 Rickie Fancon, District 5 Sandra Bristol, and District 6 Bronwyn Asplund.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

District 2 Samantha Pitchford, District 4 Stephanie Brown, and District 7 Jeff Haskell

OTHERS PRESENT

Lori Martin, Clerk & Register of Deeds; Tracy Byard, Administrator; Dawn Raupp, Diane Biery, John Wilson, Sheriff; Michelle Ambrozaitis, Prosecuting Attorney; Dwayne Miełzianowski, Undersheriff; Rudy Hicks, Animal Shelter Director; and zoom participants.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Bristol, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Majewski, to approve the agenda with additions. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, hearing none, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Bristol, Majewski, Asplund, and Fancon.

Nays: (0)

Absent: (3) being Commissioners Haskell, Pitchford, and Brown.

Motion carried

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

None

FY 2022 BUDGET RESOLUTION 21-15

It was moved by Commissioner Fancon, seconded by Commissioner Bristol to adopt Resolution #21-15, a resolution approving and adopting the County General Appropriation Act for Fiscal Year 2022. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, hearing none, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Fancon, Bristol, Asplund, and Majewski

Nays: (0)

Absent: (3) being Commissioners Haskell, Pitchford, and Brown

Motion carried

FY 2022 WAGE COMPENSATION 21-14

It was moved by Commissioner Bristol, seconded by Commissioner Asplund to adopt Resolution #21-14 Establishing Fiscal Year 2022 Compensation. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, hearing none, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Bristol, Asplund, Fancon, and Majewski

Nays: (0)

Absent: (3) being Commissioners Haskell, Pitchford, and Brown

Motion carried

TWO SEVEN OH INC. REIMBURSEMENT GRANT AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Asplund, seconded by Commissioner Fancon to approve the Two Seven Oh Inc. Reimbursement Grant Agreement in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Spay and Neuter Program with the Clare County Animal Shelter and allow Chair to sign. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, hearing none, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Asplund, Fancon, Bristol, and Majewski

Nays: (0)

Absent: (3) being Commissioners Haskell, Pitchford, and Brown

Motion carried

**REGION VII AREA AGENCY ON AGING 2022
CONTRACT FOR SENIOR PROGRAMMING**

It was moved by Commissioner Fancon, seconded by Commissioner Bristol to approve the contract with Region VII Area Agency on Aging for Senior Programming and allow Chair to sign. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, hearing none, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Fancon, Bristol, Asplund, and Majewski

Nays: (0)

Absent: (3) being Commissioners Haskell, Pitchford, and Brown

Motion carried

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Bristol, seconded by Commissioner Fancon to approve budget adjustments 21-195, 21-196, 21-197, 21-199, 21-200, 21-203, 21-207, 21-208, 21-212, 21-215, 21-217, 21-219, 21-220, 21-223, and 21-225 in the amounts of \$26,985.45, \$174,325.31, \$42,312.26, \$27,571.00, \$127,943.00, \$6,209.92, \$473,175.59, \$913,048.73 \$27,612.00, \$1,700.00 \$12,181.75, \$138,715.00, \$2,432.00, \$50,650.00 and \$4,106.00. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, discussion regarding the added budget adjustment and confirmation that it was for the Sheriff's Department, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Bristol, Fancon, Asplund, and Majewski

Nays: (0)

Absent: (3) being Commissioners Haskell, Pitchford, and Brown

Motion carried

It was moved by Commissioner Fancon, seconded by Commissioner Bristol to rescind the motion to approve the budget. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, hearing none, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Fancon, Bristol, Asplund, and Majewski

Nays: (0)

Absent: (3) being Commissioners Haskell, Pitchford, and Brown

Motion carried

Public hearing on FY 2022 Budget opened at 9:15 a.m.
Public hearing on FY 2022 Budget closed at 9:52 a.m.

Friend of the Court Jamie Raymond questioned what adjustments were made to the budget since the last meeting, and questioned where the numbers in the budget came from. Ms. Raymond cautioned the Administrator that just making up a number to balance the budget was not an appropriate way to pass a budget. She pointed out she was asked to bring adjusted numbers to the meeting and has done so.

Vice-Chairperson Majewski suggested holding off on this issue until there is a full Board of Commissioners to discuss. He suggested to adopt the budget as is and amend it as necessary, at a later date.

INDIGENT DEFENSE ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Karen Moore, Indigent Defense Administrator, informed the Commissioners that the MIDC amendment is a state mandate that the County is mandated to do. Commissioner Asplund indicated that she was not given Exhibit A and Standard 5 and cannot approve something she has not seen or read. Administrator Byard suggested the Board take a break while she obtains those documents. Administrator Byard asked Ms. Moore to email the documents to her. Documents were emailed and printed for the Board to review during break.

Recess at 9:35 a.m.
Back in Session at 9:52 a.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Asplund, seconded by Commissioner Fancon to approve the first amendment to the independent contract agreement for the Indigent Defense Managed Assigned Counsel Administrator and allow Chair to sign. Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked for discussion, hearing none, roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (4) being Commissioners Asplund, Fancon, Bristol, and Majewski

Nays: (0)

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Motion carried

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Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Prosecuting Attorney Ambrozaitis urged the Board Members to reach out to their Legislatures opposing HB 4670, HB 4671, and HB 4672, which would take away the truth in sentencing. A minimum sentence would no longer be the minimum sentence for a crime.

Karen Moore confirmed that her company has been Clare County's compliant company since 2019 and she would be happy to present to the Board at any time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS


Administrator Byard asked that the Commissioners schedule a special meeting to ratify the Unit 1 and Unit 2 Union Contracts. The special meeting was scheduled for October 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Vice-Chairperson Majewski asked to confirm that all departments are contributing to indirect costs and be consistent. Administrator Byard confirmed that all departments pay indirect costs.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:01 a.m.



Lori Martin, Clerk
Clare County Board of Commissioners



Jeff Haskell, Chairperson
Clare County Board of Commissioners