

MINUTES OF THE CLARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Harrison, Michigan 48625

11-30-18 *RM*
~~Unapproved Minutes~~
October 17, 2018

Meeting was called to Order at 9:01 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Commissioners: District 1: Dale Majewski, District 3: Leonard Strouse, District 4: Jack Kleinhardt, District 5: Sandra Bristol, District 6: Karen Lipovsky, District 7: Jim Gelios

Absent: District 2: Samantha Pitchford, Excused

Others Present, Signing In: Bob Fountaine, Clare County Resident; David Hoefling, Clare County Resident.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Majewski, seconded by Commissioner Bristol, to approve the agenda. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Bristol, seconded by Commissioner Majewski, to approve the Minutes of the September 19, 2018 meeting. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Fountaine addressed the commission regarding the speed limit on Old State Avenue between Surrey Road and the Expressway.

Don Kolander updated the commission on the Parks and Recreation in Clare County.

Honorable Joshua M. Farrell addressed the commission regarding District Court Deputy Clerk Karl Hauser being offered the Veterans Affairs position, and the need to fill the position that he will be vacating. Judge Farrell also briefed the commission on the update of the District Court data system from JMS to JIS.

District Court Vacancy

It was moved by Commissioner Strouse, seconded by Commissioner Gelios, to approve filling the position vacated by Karl Hauser in District Court. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Scott Moore, Attorney, appeared before the commission to express support of the grant proposal by Prosecutor Michelle Ambrozaitis for Innovative Prosecution Solutions.

COMMUNICATIONS LIST

Commissioner Bristol asked that the County Administrator provided the commission with summaries of the House Bills 5752, 5753, 6049, and 1025.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Tracy Byard provided her report to the commission. Questions were addressed regarding the Veteran's Affairs position. The Morgue Authority was discussed. A brief overview of the information received at the MERS conference was presented along with an update on the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission. Administration is ready to roll out the Employee Portal and will present the roll out at the next Department Head Meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORT

Community Service Director Lori Phelps provided her report to the commission.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/SPECIAL PRESENTATION

U.S. DOJ Grant – Michelle Ambrozaitis, Prosecutor

It was moved by Commissioner Majewski and seconded by Commissioner Bristol to allow the Prosecutors office to accept a grant for Innovative Prosecution Solutions for Combating Violent Crime and Illegal Opioids in the amount of \$360,000.00 from the Office of Justice Programs - U.S. Department of Justice.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/SPECIAL PRESENTATION - continued

It was moved by Commissioner Gelios and seconded by Commissioner Majewski to approve up to \$30,000.00 over the period of 2 years to contract a Bayonet Officer for the Prosecutor's grant for Innovative Prosecution Solutions for Combating Violent Crime and Illegal Opioids from the Office of Justice Programs - U.S. Department of Justice. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Clare 2017 Sheriff/Jail Departmental Cost Analysis - Janet Luplow, Maximus
Janet Luplow presented her findings from the financial analysis of the Sheriff's Department and Jail.

Equalization Director, Peter Preston - Apportionment Report
It was moved by Commissioner Majewski and seconded by Commissioner Strouse to accept the Apportionment Report, as presented and authorize the Equalization Director to spread the tax roll. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Resolution #18-19
It was moved by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Strouse to approve Resolution #18-19 in Special Recognition of Bob Dodson.

Roll call vote revealed:

Yeas: (6) being Commissioners Kleinhardt, Gelios, Bristol, Majewski, Strouse, and Lipovsky.

Nays: (0)

Absent: (1) Commissioner Pitchford

Resolution adopted

COMMITTEE REPORTS/CONSENT CALENDAR

Justice Committee

MMC Liaison Officer

It was moved by Commissioner Kleinhardt and seconded by Commissioner Gelios to allow the Sheriff Department to enter into an agreement with Mid Michigan College for a school liaison on campus. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Reallocate funds

It was moved by Commissioner Gelios and seconded by Commissioner Majewski to allow the Sheriff Department to reallocate the already approved \$11,260.68 in the 101-901-978.301 to the 101-301-978.000 for new equipment previously requested. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

County Child Care Budget Summary

It was moved by Commissioner Strouse and seconded by Commissioner Gelios to approve the County Child Care Budget Summary (DHS-2091) and allow the BOC chair to sign. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Recovery Court

It was moved by Commissioner Majewski and seconded by Commissioner Bristol to approve Michigan Veterans Treatment Court Grant Program FY 2019 contract. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Recovery Court

It was moved by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Majewski to approve Michigan Drug Court Grant Program FY 2019 contract. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Health and Human Services Committee - None

Physical Resources and Economic Development Committee

MSUE

It was moved by Commissioner Gelios and seconded by Commissioner Strouse to approve the Agreement for Extension Services provide by MSU to Clare County Annual Work Plan FY 2019. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Veterans Affairs

It was moved by Commissioner Kleinhardt and seconded by Commissioner Majewski to approve the hiring of new Veterans Affairs Director Karl Hauser. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

Finance and Administration Committee

Statutory Finance Committee

It was moved by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Strouse to approve the Statutory Finance Committee meeting minutes of September 25, 2018 and October 9, 2018 in the amounts of \$65,635.66 and \$94,630.30. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/CONSENT CALENDAR - continued

Finance and Administration Committee - continued

Monthly Expenditures

Moved by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Strouse to approve the expenditures for the month of September, 2018 in the amount of \$2,897,925.72 with the General Fund expenditures totaling \$874,214.35. Chairperson Lipovsky asked for discussion. Hearing none motion carried.

CLERK/REGISTER OF DEED'S REPORT

Clerk/Register of Deeds Lori Martin presented her report. The Clerk discussed the upcoming MACC Conference to be held at the Doherty Hotel, Collections within the Circuit Court, and the upcoming General Election on November 6, 2018. A question was posed regarding the Sheriff's Department Maximus report and if there are any restrictions on providing the information and documents to the public. The commission agreed that the information is able to be provided to the public.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Jenny Beemer-Fritzinger spoke about Senate Bill 1031, interest rates increasing, Principal Residency Exemptions, and Land Sales.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

Chairperson Lipovsky attended her meetings.

VICE CHAIRPERSON REPORT

Vice Chairperson Kleinhardt discussed the budget.

COMMISSIONER REPORT

Commissioner Bristol has been attending her township meetings. Additionally, she attended the Harrison High School Open House, the Road Commission Meeting and the MMCAA meeting.

Commissioner Pitchford was not present to give her report.

Commissioner Majewski has been attending his meetings. Senate Bill 1031 and its' effect on the townships was briefly discussed.

Commissioner Gelios has been attending his meetings. He also attended the open house for Harrison High School. Blight issues were addressed.

Commissioner Strouse has missed a few of his meetings to tend to familial obligations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Administrator Tracy Byard informed the Commission of the Halloween Party on October 26, 2018 from 12:00 - 1:00. The November meeting date (the day before Thanksgiving) will remain the date for the next commission meeting.

Treasurer Jenny Beemer-Fritzinger announced the Spay/Neuter/License event on November 17, 2018 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Mike Haley from Hayes Township addressed the issue of service to the local Veterans.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.


Stacy Pechacek, Chief Deputy Clerk
Clare County Board of Commissioners


Karen Lipovsky, Chairperson
Clare County Board of Commissioners