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GREGORY GEIGER, COUNTY CLERK

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January 12, 2021

Enclosed are the minutes of the December 29, 2020 meeting of the Ionia County Board of Commissioners which were approved on January 12, 2021.

Respectfully,

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Gregory Geiger, County Clerk

**Ionia County Board of Commissioners**  
**100 West Main Street, Ionia, Michigan 48846**

**December 29, 2020 3:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Chairman David Hodges, Vice Chairman Larry Tiejema, County Commissioner Karen Banks, County Commissioner Chris Bredice, County Commissioner Scott Wirtz, County Commissioner Jack Shattuck, County Commissioner Georgia Sharp

**Members Absent:**

**Other Present:** County Administrator Stephanie Fox, County Finance Director Linda Pigue, County Clerk Greg Geiger

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Hodges called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**II. Invocation**

Chairman Hodges led the invocation.

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Board discussed agenda.

*Motion to Approve Agenda*

*Moved by Commissioner Sharp*

*Supported by Commissioner Wirtz*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

**IV. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**V. Action on the Consent Calendar**

Board discussed the Consent Calendar.

*Consent Calendar was approved by unanimous consent*

**VI. Unfinished Business**

Board discussed approval of application from Edna Albert to Commissioner on Aging Board.

*Motion to Approve Position*

*Moved by Vice Chairman Tiejema*

*Supported by Commissioner Banks*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

**VII. New Business**

Board held public hearing regarding the Road Department budget.

*Motion to Open Public Comment*

*Moved by Vice Chairman Tiejema*

*Supported by Commissioner Shattuck*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

Finance Director Pigue discussed current Road Department budget and project priorities for the upcoming year. Director Pigue answered questions regarding accounting practices within the Road Department. Board discussed financial reporting frequency. Board discussed Public Act 51 and how it relates to the current financial situation for the Road Department.

*Motion to Close Public Comment*

*Moved by Commissioner Banks*

*Supported by Commissioner Shattuck*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

*Motion to Approve Road Department Budget*

*Moved by Vice Chairman Tiejema*

*Supported by Commissioner Shattuck*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

Board discussed approval of end year budget amendments. Board discussed Emergency Management budget. Board discussed fees.

*Motion to Approve*

*Moved by Vice Chairman Tiejema*

*Supported by Commissioner Sharp*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

Board discussed 2021 Organizational meeting. Meeting will be held Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 3:00pm.

Board discussed Managing Director Road Department. County Administrator recommends reposting the position. Board discussed additional avenues to find candidates.

Board discussed approval of Farhner contract extension at current price. Finance Director Pigue answered questions regarding upcoming bridge projects.

*Motion to Approve*

*Moved by Commissioner Bredice*

*Supported by Vice Chairman Tiejema*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

Board discussed Letters of Understanding for Union Contracts,

Board discussed E-911 Central Dispatch Telecommunications Unit,

*Motion to Approve*

*Moved by Commissioner Shattuck  
Supported by Commissioner Wirtz  
Motion carried by voice vote*

Health Department Clerical-Technical Unit

*Motion to Approve  
Moved by Commissioner Wirtz  
Supported by Commissioner Banks  
Motion carried by voice vote*

Health Department Professional Unit

*Motion to Approve  
Moved by Commissioner Banks  
Supported by Commissioner Sharp  
Motion carried by voice vote*

Deputy Command Unit

*Motion to Approve  
Moved by Vice Chairman Tiejema  
Supported by Commissioner Wirtz  
Motion carried by voice vote*

District Court Unit

*Motion to Approve  
Moved by Commissioner Shattuck  
Supported by Commissioner Banks  
Motion carried by voice vote*

Corrections Officers and Clerks Unit

*Motion to Approve  
Moved by Commissioner Wirtz  
Supported by Commissioner Shattuck  
Motion carried by voice vote*

Board discussed Request for Medical Services Agreement with Mid-Michigan Correctional Care PC to provide Jail medical services.

*Motion to Approve  
Moved by Commissioner Shattuck  
Supported by Commissioner Wirtz  
Motion carried by voice vote*

**VIII. Department Reports**

Emergency Operations Director Hoskins presented report.

**IX. Report of Officer, Boards, and Standing Committees**

Chairman Hodges recognized Commissioner Bredice in his final meeting.  
Chairman also discussed next year's committee assignments.

Board expressed their gratitude to Commissioner Bredice for his service.

County Administrator Fox commented on upcoming Audit and year end process.

**X. Reports of Special or Ad Hoc Committees**

No special or Ad Hoc Committee reports.

**XI. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**XII. Closed Session**

No Closed Session.

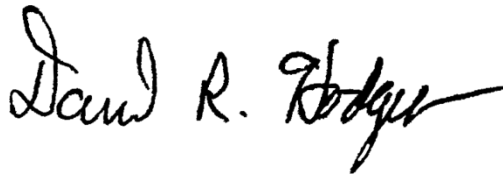
**XIII. Adjournment**

*Motion to Adjourn*

*Moved by Commissioner Shattuck*

*Supported by Commissioner Sharp*

*Motion carried voice vote*



David Hodges, Board of Commissioners Chairman



Gregory Geiger, County Clerk