

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 23, 2016
Regular Meeting
Central Dispatch Building – 7:00 p.m.

Chair Shattuck called the meeting to order and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Commissioner Hodges gave the Invocation.

Members present: David Hodges, Larry Tiejema, Jim Banks, Brenda Cowling-Cronk, Scott Wirtz, Jack Shattuck and Julie Calley (arrived at 7:02 p.m.)

Others present: Jack Elliott, Goose Elliott, Dennis Sitzer, Bob Dunton, Joyce Hamp, Diane Adams, Bob Cusack, Stephanie Fox and Janae Cooper

Approval of Agenda

The Chair noted two amendments to the agenda:

1. To table Item A. under Unfinished Business until the September 13, 2016 meeting.
2. To move the Road Commission interviews to Item A. under New Business.

Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Tiejema, to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott commented on the Board spending money.

Goose Elliott suggested putting the new addition to the courthouse to a vote of the people.

Did You Know?

Commissioner Tiejema advised the Board that the Saranac Bridgefest is this weekend.

Consent Calendar

- A. Approve minutes of the previous meeting(s)
- B. Approve per diem and mileage
- C. Approve payment of General Fund payroll and accounts payable for the month of July 2016 - \$1,857,353.98
- D. Approve payment of Health Fund bills - \$125,632.34

Commissioner Wirtz requested to add his July per diem to the Consent Calendar. Moved by Cowling Cronk, supported by Tiejema, to approve adding the July per diem voucher for Commissioner Wirtz to the Consent Calendar. Motion carried by voice vote.

Hearing no objections, the Chair declared the Consent Calendar approved.

New Business

- A. The Board conducted interviews for appointment to the Road Commission Board. Applicant Ken Thompson advised County Administrator Stephanie Fox that he would be unable to attend tonight's meeting. The applicants were interviewed as follows: Dennis Sitzer, Bob Dunton and Joyce Hamp. Chair Shattuck asked the same seven questions to all applicants (list of questions on file in the Clerk's Office) and Commissioner Tiejema posed a follow-up question to all applicants.
- B. Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Banks, to approve the Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan Contract Amendment No. 61.54-FY16.4. Motion carried by voice vote.
- C. Chief Deputy County Clerk, Janae Cooper, requested the Board's approval to fill an upcoming vacancy which will be created when she assumes the role of County Clerk in January. Cooper explained that this will give time for training. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Calley, to allow the County Clerk's Office to interview and hire a Deputy Clerk at a Grade 7, Step 1, effective October 1, 2016, with funding to be split between the Concealed Pistol License Fund and the General Fund, and to further authorize the budget amendment to fund this position. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. Cooper further requested the Board's approval to create a new part-time position, effective January 1, 2017 for the purpose of administering all duties relating to the Concealed Pistol Licenses. Moved by Banks, supported by Cowling-Cronk, to allow the Clerk's Office to interview and hire a .5 FTE Deputy Clerk at a Grade 7, Step 1, effective January 1, 2017, with funding for this position to come from the Concealed Pistol License Fund and that this position be added to the 2017 Position Allocation List. Motion carried by voice vote. The Commissioners briefly discussed that if the revenue for CPL's decrease that it be brought to the Board's attention.
- E. Moved by Banks, supported by Hodges, to approve the Secondary Road Patrol & Traffic Accident Program application for the 2017 fiscal year. Motion carried by voice vote.
- F. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Banks, to approve the proposed AT&T 12 month contract for the trunk line circuit at the courthouse. Motion carried by voice vote.

County Administrator's Report

- 1. Fox advised the Board of the upcoming Facilities Committee meeting and also a budget meeting on September 1st at 9:15 a.m.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott commented on position allocations and tearing down property.

Diane Adams complimented the Board and Janae Cooper.

Bob Cusack commented on foreclosed properties.

Moved by Banks, supported by Cowling-Cronk, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jack Shattuck, Chair

Janae K. Cooper, Chief Deputy Clerk

Minutes approved on:
