

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
February 10, 2015
Regular Meeting
4:00 p.m.

Chair Calley called the meeting to order and led with the Invocation.

Members present: David Hodges, Larry Tiejema, Jim Banks, Brenda Cowling- Cronk, Scott Wirtz, Jack Shattuck and Julie Calley

Others present: Tom Thelen, Diane Adams, Deb Thailson, Jim Valentine, Kevin Ingram, Jack Elliott, "Goose" Elliott, Marie Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCord and grandsons, Dale Miller, Charlie Noll, Lonnie Finch, Stephanie Fox and Tonda Rich

Approval of Agenda

A Closed Session was added to the agenda. Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Wirtz, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott complimented Sheriff Dale Miller.

Consent Calendar

A. Approve minutes of the previous meeting(s)

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

New Business

A. Sheriff Dale Miller presented Kevin Ingram with a Resolution of Appreciation for his service to Ionia County. Moved by Banks, supported by Tiejema, to adopt the Resolution of Appreciation for Kevin Ingram. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: yes – all. The Resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION

We gather here to pay tribute to Kevin Ingram who retired from the Ionia County Sheriff's Office on January 31, 2015; and
WHEREAS, Kevin Ingram began his career with the County of Ionia as Deputy in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Ingram was promoted to Detective/Sergeant in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Ingram accepted many responsibilities as a Detective/Sergeant including Investigating, Hostage Negotiating, Field Training, and Court Security; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Ingram was highly respected by his colleagues and superiors for his leadership and investigative skills, his dedication, and his high professional standards; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Ingram has served the Ionia County Sheriff's Office and the Citizens of the County of Ionia with honor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding service, it is fitting and proper that Kevin Ingram be commended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners, by way of this Resolution, expresses its deep appreciation to Kevin Ingram for his faithful and dedicated service and wishes him well in his future endeavors; and, that his Resolution be entered into the records of the Ionia County Board of Commissioners and a copy presented to Kevin Ingram.

- B. Chair Calley presented Joe McCord with a Resolution of Appreciation for his service to Ionia County. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Wirtz, to adopt the Resolution of Appreciation for Joe McCord. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: yes – all. The Resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION

We gather here to pay tribute to Joseph McCord to honor and commend him for his generous commitment to the citizens of Ionia County;

WHEREAS, Joe McCord served dependably as the Supervisor of the County's Maintenance Department for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Joe McCord was elected to the Board of Commissioners for one term; and

WHEREAS, Joe McCord is an avid supporter of Bertha Brock Park and served on its Advisory Board for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Joe McCord served faithfully as the Easton Township Supervisor for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Joe McCord is a local businessman who possesses a deep love for the Ionia Community, and has been involved in many organizations including the Ionia Historical Society, the Lions Club, and the Ionia Free Fair.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners, by way of this Resolution, honors Joe McCord, and extends its appreciation for his devoted service to the citizens of the County of Ionia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be entered into the records of the Ionia County Board of Commissioners and that a copy be presented to Joe McCord.

- C. Deb Thailson with the Health Department stated that the Health Department will receive a LeadCareII analyzer at no charge with the purchase of four (4) Magellan LeadCare H Test Kits from McKesson Medical- Surgical Inc. (MMS) and a commitment to purchase at least eight (8) additional kits each year thereafter. Thailson further stated that the results from the tests will be made instantly rather than having to wait for the results. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the LeadCare II Placement Program and Purchase agreement between McKesson Medical- Surgical, Magellan Diagnostic and Ionia County Health Department and authorize the signature of Ken Bowen, Health Officer. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the agreement between Ingham Health Plan (d/b/a Ionia Health Plan) and Ionia County Health Department and authorize the signature of Ken Bowen, Health Officer. Thailson stated that the Health Department would receive \$10,000 for outreach activities/services and staffing. Motion carried by voice vote.
- E. Moved by Wirtz, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve amendment #1 to the grant agreement between Michigan Department of Community Health and Ionia County Health Department FY 14/15 and authorize the signature of Ken Bowen, Health Officer. Motion carried by voice vote.
- F. Thailson presented a revised fee schedule for the Health Department. Due to the Health Department no longer providing drug screenings, those fees were removed from the schedule, as well as, other miscellaneous fees that were cleaned up. County Administrator, Stephanie Fox, proposed that the FOIA fee state "per state statute." Moved by Shattuck, supported by Tiejema, to approve the revised Health Department Fee Schedule as presented effective February 17, 2015. Motion carried by voice vote.
- G. Register of Deeds, Diane Adams and Lonnie Finch with the Road Commission, stated that the Michigan Department of Transportation is requesting to take over ownership of the Continuously Operating Reference Station (CORS), which is located near the Ionia County Central Dispatch office, for purposes of upgrading and maintaining the station. Adams explained that the primary use of the CORS station comes from the Road Commission and the GIS mapping department. Surveyors and engineers also use the information derived from the station. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for ownership and maintenance of the CORS station located at 545 Apple Tree Drive in Ionia, Michigan. The County Administrator stated that the county attorney has

reviewed and approved the agreement as well. Motion carried by voice vote.

- H. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Shattuck, to approve the hiring of a part-time security officer. Motion carried by voice vote.
- I. Undersheriff Charlie Noll discussed purchasing three vehicles for the Sheriff's Department. Noll presented a handout showing the current fleet with mileage for each of the vehicles. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Wirtz, to authorize the Ionia County Sheriff's Department to purchase two Ford Interceptors and one Chevy Impala with funds to come from the 2015 Capital Budget. Motion carried by voice vote.
- J. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Hodges, to authorize the payoff of the Animal Shelter Building loan with Mercantile Bank of Michigan, Loan Number 1189772 and further authorize the signature of the Chair on any necessary documents for the completion of the payoff. Fox stated that by paying the loan off early there will be a savings of over \$28,000 in interest. Motion carried by voice vote.
- K. Chair Calley acknowledged the filing of a PA 116 filed by Boersen Farms Properties and further acknowledged the upcoming appointments to the Substance Use Disorder Advisory Council.

County Administrator's Report

- 1. The County received a settlement check from Blue Cross Blue Shield for \$44,169.43;
- 2. The transfer from Nationwide to Morgan Stanley went well.

Other Reports

Commissioner Tiejema updated the Board on the Personnel Committee meeting that took place earlier in the day and also discussed the Central Area Michigan Works Consortium purpose and would like to have a future discussion concerning the Consortium.

Chair Calley updated the Board on the Michigan Association of Community Health Boards Conference she is attending.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott commented on the employee entrance/exit of the courthouse. "Goose" Elliott handed out a survey he put together concerning landmarks in Ionia.

The Chair called for a brief recess at 4:57 p.m. and reconvened at 5:05 p.m.

Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Wirtz, to enter into Closed Session to discuss an Attorney/Client Privilege Letter. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: yes – all.

Moved by Shattuck, supported by Wirtz, to adjourn Closed Session and return to open session at 5:13 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Shattuck, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the settlement in the case of McGinn v Ionia County as discussed. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Hodges, supported by Banks, to adjourn the meeting at 5:14 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Julie Calley, Chair

Tonda Rich, Clerk

Minutes approved on
