

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Committee-of-the-Whole
January 17, 2017
3:00 p.m.

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

Members present: Dave Hodges, Larry Tiejema, Jim Banks, Brenda Cowling-Cronk, Jack Shattuck, Scott Wirtz and Georgia Sharp

Others present: Jim Valentine, Charlie Noll, Suana McDaniels, Dale Miller, Roger VanderMolen, Jan VanderMolen, Stan Hoskins, Stephanie Fox and Janae Cooper

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Banks, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.

New Business

- A. Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Tiejema, to adopt a Resolution of Appreciation for Roger VanderMolen. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: yes - all. The Resolution of Appreciation is as follows:

**RESOLUTION
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We gather here to pay tribute to

Roger Vander Molen

Who is retiring from the Ionia County Sheriff's Office on January 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Roger Vander Molen began his career with the County of Ionia as a Deputy on May 14, 1979; and

WHEREAS, Roger was promoted to Sergeant in 1996 and to Lieutenant in 2010; and

WHEREAS, while serving as Sergeant and Lieutenant, Roger assisted the department by serving in the temporary capacity of Senior Road Sergeant, Detective Sergeant and Interim

Jail Administrator to aid the agency during difficult transitions; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure with the Sheriff's Office, Roger completed the School of Police Staff & Command and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 157, serving as its president for many years; and

WHEREAS, Roger received the Michigan Law Enforcement Blockade Committee Citation for splendid and efficient service performed apprehending the fleeing criminals in a blockade set up by combined law enforcement agencies, and the Certificate of Professional Excellence for outstanding work done as a Firearms Instructor, keeping department personnel at a high level of training and efficiency, and the Certificate of Professional Excellence for handling a delicate and dangerous situation involving a bomb threat in a highly professional manner; and

WHEREAS, throughout his service to the Sheriff's Office, Roger Vander Molen received many letters of appreciation from outside agencies for his assistance with investigations, firearms training and emergency response during severe weather; and

WHEREAS, Roger Vander Molen has served the Ionia County Sheriff's Office and the Citizens of the County of Ionia with honor and distinction for over 37 years; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding service, it is fitting and proper that Roger Vander Molen be commended.

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

B. Departmental Reports

1. Jim Valentine, Central Dispatch Director, presented the Board with a recap of the major projects that Central Dispatch completed in 2016 and tentative projects for 2017. A full report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
2. The Building Codes Department supplied their 2016 Fourth Quarter Report to the Board. No one appeared on behalf of the Building Department. A full report is on file in the Clerk's Office.

Commissioner's Reports

Cowling-Cronk reminded the Board about the AG Fair Benefit on January 21st at Steele Street Hall.

Adjourn

Moved by Wirtz, supported by Cowling-Cronk to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jack Shattuck, Chair

Janae K. Cooper, Clerk

Minutes approved on: