

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
June 24, 2014
Regular Meeting
7:00 p.m.

The Chair called the meeting to order and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Others present: Ken Bowen, Jim Valentine, "Goose" Elliott, Jack Elliott, G. Emelander, Don Ransom, Tom Thelen, Bob VanLente, Bob Cusack, Mari Droste, Amanda Powell, Ray Voet, Lynette Seiler, Wayne DePotty, Judy Clark, Karen Bota, Stephanie Hurlbut and Tonda Rich

Approval of Agenda

The Chair added item E to the Consent Calendar. Moved by Mason, supported by Cowling-Cronk, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott voiced his concerns with court security and the Open Meetings Act. Mike Seiloff, a Captain in the Civil Air Patrol and Aerospace Education Director, thanked the Commissioners for their support and improvements to the airport.

Did You Know?

Commissioner Mason shared facts of interest.

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 May 2014 - \$1,534,744.65
- D. Approve payment of Health Fund bills - \$91,533.47
- E. Approve Closed Session minutes from June 10, 2014

The Closed Session minutes from June 10th were presented to the Board for their review. After review, Commissioner Mason requested to remove the minutes from the Consent Calendar for further discussion to be held in Closed Session at the end of the meeting.

Commissioner Tiejema requested to also remove the June 10th regular minutes to amend the Chairperson's Report stating that the purpose of the public hearing is for discussion on future facilities. Moved by Mason, supported by Tiejema, to amend the June 10th board minutes as discussed. Motion carried by voice vote.

Hearing no further objections, the Chair declared the remaining items under the Consent Calendar approved.

New Business

- A. The Chair opened up the Public Hearing with a Power Point presentation on the history of county facilities. The Chair announced that the purpose of the Public Hearing is for the public's input and open dialog. Members of the public were given the opportunity to voice their concerns and ask questions to the Board.

The public hearing ended at 7:57 p.m.

- B. Bill Tucker with Abraham & Gaffney, P.C. presented and reviewed the 2013 financial statements and answered questions from the Board. (A copy of the 2013 audit for Ionia County is on file in the Clerk's Office)
- C. Moved by Mason, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the FY 2014 AAAM Nutrition Contract Amendment increasing the funds by \$8626 and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. Moved by Mason, supported by Tiejema, to approve the FY 2014 Supportive Services Contract Amendment increasing the funds by \$2000 and authorizing appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
- E. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Wirtz, to authorize filling the .75 FTE caseworker position at the Commission on Aging. Motion carried by voice vote.
- F. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to authorize filling the .08 FTE Nutrition Program Transporter position at the Commission on Aging. Motion carried by voice vote.
- G. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Wirtz, to approve the addendum to the grant agreement FEMA DR- 4121- MI, which provides 12.5% of the local match to cover flood damage repairs at Bertha Brock Park and to authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

Chairperson's Report

- 1) Thanked the County Administrator for her work involved with the audit
- 2) The Right Place will be announcing additional jobs are being added due to Ventra, Inc. in Ionia is expanding.

County Administrator's Report

- 1) Is currently working on the 2015 budget and has been meeting with department heads concerning their budgets.

Other Reports

Chair Calley reported on the retreat she attended for Community Mental Health.

Commissioner Mason gave a Substance Use Disorder Advisory Council update.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott addressed the Board concerning the audit and notices/minutes sent by email.

The Chair called for a brief recess at 8:35 p.m. and reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

Moved by Mason, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to enter into Closed Session at 8:41 p.m. to discuss the June 10, 2014 Closed Session minutes. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: yes – all.

Moved by Mason, supported by Tiejema, to adjourn Closed Session at 8:42 p.m. and return to regular session. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Mason, supported by Wirtz, to approve the amendment to the June 10, 2014 Closed Session minutes as agreed upon. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Mason, supported by Wirtz, to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Julie Calley, Chair

Tonda Rich, Clerk

Minutes approved on:
