

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Committee-of-the-Whole

May 16, 2017

3:00 p.m.

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

Members Present: Jim Banks, Jack Shattuck, David Hodges, Larry Tiejema, Brenda Cowling-Cronk

Members Absent: Georgia Sharp, Scott Wirtz

Others Present: Paul Spoelstra, Janae Cooper, Stephanie Fox, Deb Thalison, Judy Clark, Jim Valentine, Diane Adams, Bob Dunton, Chris Veenstra

Approval of Agenda

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

New Business

- A. Paul Spoelstra of Milestone Wealth Management handed out the Funding Report and Accounting Reports. Commissioner Cowling-Cronk requested that the reports be issued earlier next year and to use more current tables.
- B. Chris Veenstra of Watkins Ross presented on the Actuarial Valuation report and maintains a conservative stance.
- C. Morgan Carroll gave the 2016 Annual Ionia County Economic Alliance Report and noted updated figures for 2017 so far. Connecting Michigan through the use of Broadband, student tours and career opportunities not presented in schools were discussed.

- D. Paul Spitzley & Bob Dunton gave the Ionia County Road Commission Report and have spent about \$500,000 of the fund balance from last year. The township contributions have been helpful. They expect a busy summer as far as re-graveling.
- E. Department Reports
1. Diane Adams Department Head for the Register of Deeds reported the recorded instrument number is close to the same as last year. The recording income has increased as a result of the new rate. There has been a decrease in searches but more use of the online system because e-recording is very popular.
 2. Friend of the Court submitted a written report with no one reporting.
 3. Jim Valentine with Central Dispatch reported on the windstorm and the tornado failed siren. Since these events the number of people signed up for Smart911 & Rave Alert has increased. Jim also mentioned in his report that $\frac{3}{4}$ of the calls are non-emergency.
 4. Judy Clark the Ionia County Treasurer reported that the investments are performing well. She stated that the City is getting ready to close on the water/sewer bonds. Interest rates are slowing increasing and 18 parcels were closed on this year.
 5. Deb Thalison with Community Health briefly touched based on the updates and accomplishments in her office. She stated that state accreditation is next week.

Adjourn

Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Banks to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jack Shattuck, Chair

Amy Gorham, Chief Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved On: