

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
October 13, 2015  
Regular Meeting - *Amended*  
4:00 p.m.

Chair Calley 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

Others present: Carmon Ferman, Judy Clark, Tom Thelen, Ron Schafer, Deb Thailson, Nick Grenke, Stephanie Fox and Tonda Rich

### Approval of Agenda

The Chair made the following amendments to the agenda: Removed item I. under New Business, added item N. to New Business and amended item L. to a Resolution to Purchase Property. Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Tiejema, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

### Consent Calendar

A. Approve minutes of the previous meeting(s)

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

### New Business

A. County Administrator, Stephanie Fox, presented the 2016 budget. A few highlights of the proposed budget included additional funds in the Child Care Fund, a reduction in Court Security due to part-time officers, a full-time position for MSU Extension, a 1% wage increase in January 2016 and another 1% increase in July 2016 for employees.

Chair Calley opened up the Public Hearing on the proposed 2016 county budget at 4:02 p.m. No one addressed the Board.

The Commissioners thanked Fox for her work on the budget.

B. Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Hodges, to adopt the 2016 Ionia County General Appropriations Act 2015- 22. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: yes – all. (Due to the length of

the Resolution, a copy of the Resolution is on file in County Clerk's Office).

- C. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Wirtz, to approve the 2016 SCAO Michigan Drug Court Grant Program Agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court and the State Court Administrative Office in the amount of \$120,000 that will provide funding to the Drug Court Program and allowable expenses as approved by SCAO and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. 1. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Cowling-Cronk, to approve the 2016 sub- contract agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court Adult Drug Court and Comprehensive Recovery Services for the purpose of alcohol and drug screenings and authorize the appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
2. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Shattuck, to approve the 2016 sub- contract agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court Adult Drug Court and North Kent Guidance for substance abuse outpatient treatment services and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Cowling-Cronk, to approve the 2016 sub- contract agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court Adult Drug Court and Mary Bliss to provide funding to Mary Bliss for transportation services deemed necessary at the 2015/2016 federal per diem rate per mile for transportation services for drug court participants and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. Moved by Banks, supported by Wirtz, to approve the 2016 sub- contract agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court Adult Drug Court and Sean Burns for substance abuse outpatient treatment services and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
5. Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Hodges, to approve the 2016 sub- contract agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court Adult Drug Court and Tammy McQueen to provide funding to Tammy McQueen for transportation services deemed necessary at the 2015- 2016 federal per diem rate per mile for transportation services for drug court participants and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
6. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Tiejema, to approve the 2016 sub- contract agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court

Adult Drug Court and Viewpointe Counseling for substance abuse outpatient treatment services and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

7. Moved by Wirtz, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the 2016 sub- contract agreement between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court Adult Drug Court and 61<sup>st</sup> District Court for alcohol/drug screenings provided to participants currently residing in transitional housing in Kent County and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

8. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the 2016 sub- contract between the 8<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court Adult Drug Court and the Ionia County Health Department to provide funding in the event Medicaid Funds are not available to drug court participants and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

E. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Hodges, to approve the amended contract between Ionia County and Deborah Davis to provide cognitive behavior treatment services/classes to be funded by Community Corrections. Motion carried by voice vote.

F. The Chair acknowledged the filing of PA 116 Farmland Agreement filed by Boersen Farms Properties LLC.

G. Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Tiejema, to approve the 2015/2016 agreement between Michigan Department of Community Health and Ionia County Health Department and authorize appropriate signatures. Deb Thailson stated that some of the services provided through this contract are HIV testing, immunizations, vision screening, Medicaid Outreach, water testing and more. Motion carried by voice vote.

H. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Hodges, to approve the 2015/2016 agreement between Mid- State Health Network and Ionia County Health Department and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

I. Moved by Wirtz, supported by Shattuck, to approve the 2015- 2016 Clean Sweep Program Grant Agreement between Ionia County and the Michigan Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$25,000 and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

K. County Administrator Fox requested approval to transfer \$1 million from the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund into the General Fund Designated Fund. Fox proposed that the funds could be used for replacing the

intercom system at the jail, replacing the computers in the patrol cars, purchasing radios and put the remaining funds toward facilities. Commissioners were given an opportunity to voice their thoughts and concerns. Fox stated that each expenditure would have to come to the Board for approval. Moved by Banks, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to approve the transfer of \$1 million from the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund to the General Fund Designated Fund. Motion carried by voice vote.

- L. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Hodges, to adopt the Resolution to Approve Acquisition of Real Property. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: yes – all. The Resolution is as follows:

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY  
2015-23**

WHEREAS, the County of Ionia (the “County”) is authorized by Act 156 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1851, as amended, to purchase lands, property or equipment to be used for public and county purposes; and

WHEREAS, the County proposes to acquire, by purchase, certain real property currently owned by the City of Ionia (the “City” or “Seller”), more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the form of purchase agreement to be entered into by the County and the City for the sale and purchase of the Property is on file with the County Administrator (the “Purchase Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to approve the acquisition of the Property and authorize the County Administrator to acquire the Property from the City in accordance with the Purchase Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**  
The Board of Commissioners hereby determines that it is in the best interest of the County, its residents and taxpayers to acquire the Property.

The Board of Commissioners hereby approves the purchase of the Property from the City for the amount of \$1.00, as set forth in the Purchase Agreement, and such other necessary closing costs and related fees for the acquisition of the Property.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to (a) execute and deliver the Purchase Agreement, as may be modified with

such additions and deletions as shall be determined by the County Administrator to be in the best interest of the County to effectuate the conveyance, (b) execute and deliver and any and all other agreements, documents and certificates deemed necessary for the acquisition of the Property, and (c) obtain title insurance, surveys, and perform all other due diligence deemed necessary for the acquisition of the Property.

All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

- M. The Chair acknowledged upcoming appointments for the Board of Canvassers, Commission on Aging, Community Mental Health and Construction Board of Appeals.
- N. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Banks, to appoint Julie Calley to the Area Community Services Employment and Training Council *for Region 4*. Motion carried by voice vote.

#### **Chairperson's Report**

- 1. Announced the Central Dispatch open house on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### **County Administrator's Report**

- 1. Thanked the Commissioners for approving the 2016 budget.

The Chair called for a brief recess at 4:50 p.m. and reconvened at 4:55 p.m.

Moved by Shattuck, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to enter into Closed Session at 4:55 p.m. to discuss union negotiations for the Corrections Command Unit. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: yes – all.

Moved by Tiejema, supported by Banks, to adjourn Closed Session at 5:05 p.m. and return to regular session. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Banks, supported by Cowling- Cronk, to enter into Closed Session at 5:06 p.m. to discuss union negotiations for the Deputy Command Unit. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: yes – all.

Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Banks, to adjourn Closed Session at 5:19 p.m. and return to regular session. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Cowling- Cronk, supported by Wirtz, to adjourn the meeting at 5:19 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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**Julie Calley, Chair**

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**Tonda Rich, Clerk**

**Minutes approved on**