

Ionia County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, March 27, 2018
Regular Meeting
7:00 p.m.

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

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

Others present: Bob VanLente, Scott DeRuisher, Jack Elliott, Judith Transue, Stephanie Fox and Janae Cooper

Approval of Agenda

The Chair noted the following additions to the Agenda: Under New Business, add Item E. Bulletins #9 and #10 from the Facilities meeting. Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Banks to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott commented on the old jail being torn down and inquired as to where the money will come from to fix the existing jail.

Did You Know?

Hodges read a short story of interest.

Tiejema commented on the Area Agency on Aging and the growing amount of senior population.

Action on Consent Calendar

- A. Approve minutes of the previous meeting(s)
- B. Approve Closed Session minutes from March 13, 2018
- C. Approve per diem and mileage
- D. Approve payment of General Fund payroll and accounts payable for the month of February 2018 - \$994,123.46
- E. Approve payment of Health Fund bills - \$87,180.92
- F. Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Wirtz, to approve the addition of Tiejema's voucher and per diem

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

Unfinished Business

1. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Sharp, to appoint Gretchen Nyland, Deborah McPeek-McFadden, Melissa McKinstry and Dale Miller to the Community Mental Health Services Board. Motion carried by voice vote.

New Business

1. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Cowling-Cronk, to approve the Health Department Budget Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.
2. Moved by Banks, supported by Hodges to approve to fill the Commission on Aging Site Host/Hostess position at a .16 FTE, CLS Grade 4, hourly at approximately 6 hours per week. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. Moved by Cowling-Cronk, supported by Banks, to fill the Friend of the Court Conciliator position. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. Moved by Wirtz, supported by Tiejema to hire a temporary part-time Corrections Officer to assist with staffing during the medical leave of two employees. Motion carried by voice vote.
5. Moved by Banks, supported by Hodges to approve the completion of the Circuit Court Room renovation for \$116,000 to include providing handicap access, reconfiguring the jury box, judges bench and clerk seat, and wiring to counsel tables for computer usage. Motion carried by voice vote.

Administrator’s Report

County Administrator, Stephanie Fox stated that the tentative day for ribbon cutting is Friday, May 18th at 3:00 p.m.

Special Reports

Cowling-Cronk advised the Board that DHHS stated if there is room available that they would like to use a safe space in the courthouse for visitation.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott commented on the proposed new courtroom set-up and the loss of the availability of seating.

Adjourn

Moved by Banks, supported by Cowling-Cronk to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jack Shattuck, Chair

Janae K. Cooper, Clerk

Minutes approved on: