

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 10, 2019

Board of Commissioners Room

Ionia County Administrative Building

3:00 p.m.

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

Commission Sharp gave the Invocation.

Members Present: Chris Bredice, Larry Tiejema, Scott Wirtz, Georgia Sharp, Jack Shattuck, and David Hodges

Members Absent: Jim Banks

Others Present: Jack Elliott, Brian Simon, Elisabeth Walden, Mitchell Boatman, Debra Thalison, Ken Olson, Jim Valentine, Ken Bowen, Mel Haga, Carol Hanulcic, Paul Spitzley, Stephanie Fox, and Stephanie Herbstreith

Approval of the Agenda

The Chair noted the following changes to the Agenda: Move the current E under New Business down to F, and the new E will be Road Department Advisory Board Bylaws – discussion and possible approval. Moved by Shattuck, supported by Tiejema, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott discussed Dorothy Pohl's Position and the Road Commission.

Action on Consent Calendar

- A. Approve minutes of the previous meeting(s)

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

New Business

- A. Discussion with COA regarding Senior Day Center – Mel Haga and Carol Hanulcic presented architectural plans for the Commission on Aging Remodel.
- B. Request approval of Contract Renewal with Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy with Health Department – Moved by Tiejema, supported by Wirtz, to approve to renew the Local Health Department Grant Contract between Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) and Ionia County Health Department (ICHHD) for Fiscal Year 2019 – 2020 and authorize the signature of Ken Bowen, Health Officer.

- C. Request approval of Health Department Budget Amendment – Moved by Sharp, supported by Wirtz, to approve the Ionia County Health Department Budget Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. Request approval for 2019 & 2020 Contract with Maner Costerisan – Commissioner Tiejema suggested a counter offer. County Administrator Fox will be in contact with Maner Costerisan to negotiate a new agreement to perform the audits for 2019 and 2020. Fox will bring this back to the board when discussion is concluded.
- E. Discussion and possible approval of Road Department Advisory Board Bylaws – The Board discussed the Road Department Advisory Board Bylaws. Paul Spitzley was present and provided input. This item will be placed back on the agenda once there is a final draft available.
- F. Acknowledgment of Appointment:
 - 1. *Central Dispatch Board of Director (City of Portland, City of Ionia Citizen Representation)* – The Board acknowledged
 - 2. *Substance Abuse Advisory Board (Five appointments)* – The Board acknowledged
 - 3. *West Michigan Regional Planning Commission Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee (One appointment)* – The Board acknowledged

Chairperson's Report

Hodges has been to 2 of the 3 sub-committee meetings, and he is impressed with how the meetings are going. Hodges also wanted to remind everyone about the Christmas Party this week Thursday.

Commissioner's Report

Sharp attended the Trail Meeting. The newest portion of Trail is scheduled to be completed in May 2020. In addition, Sharp mentioned there is a new Director taking over for MERS.

Shattuck urged everyone to turn in their vouchers for November as soon as possible to they can be approved.

Tiejema met with The Road Department Advisory Board. Tiejema also discussed Health Care Funding.

County Administrator

Fox stated that she is working on the Year End Budget Amendment and will get that to The Board as soon as possible. Fox also mentioned the Christmas Party this week.

Public Comment

Jack Elliott discussed The Board not responding during Public Comment.

Adjournment

The Chair declared a recess from Open Session at 4:06 p.m.

Closed Session

- A. Moved by Bredice, supported by Wirtz, to enter into Closed Session at 4:13 p.m. to discuss Union Negotiations for Central Dispatch. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: yes – all.

Moved by Shattuck, supported by Wirtz, to adjourn Closed Session at 4:19 p.m. and return to Open Session. Motion carried by voice vote.

Informational only. No action.

- B. Moved by Wirtz, supported by Shattuck, to enter into Closed Session at 4:20 p.m. to discuss Union Negotiations for District Court. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: yes – all.

Moved by Tiejema, supported by Shattuck, to adjourn Closed Session at 4:30 p.m. and return to Open Session. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion only. No action.

Adjournment

Moved by Shattuck, supported by Bredice, to adjourn the meeting at 4:31 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

David Hodges, Chair

Stephanie Herbstreith, Deputy Clerk

Minutes approved on: