

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
May 11, 2010
3:30 p.m.

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

Members present: Mason, Shattuck, Powell, Tiejema, Vroman and Banks

Members absent: Calley

Others present: Tom Thelen, Mark Jones, Suana McDaniels, Mike Bremer, Robert S. Sykes, Jr., Jim Valentine, Nancy Hickey, Stephanie Hurlbut, Zenon Cardenas, Lisa McCafferty, Monte Starkweather, Bonnie Detweiler, Doug LaBeck, Mark Howe and Tonda Rich

Banks noted the following additions and deletions from the agenda: item #3 under New Business was removed (PA 116) and replaced with Health Department Server; items #7 (Appropriations Policy) and #8 (Animal Shelter Financing) were also added under New Business. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Vroman, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Banks opened up the first Public Comment period. Mike Bremer, candidate for the 87th State Representative District introduced himself to the Board.

Consent Calendar

1. Approve minutes of the previous meeting(s)

Absent any objections, the Chair declared the Consent Calendar approved.

Unfinished Business

1. Moved by Mason, supported by Powell, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the Inter-local Agreement between the County of Ionia and County of Shiawassee for the improvement and development of a Michigan trail way known as the Clinton-Ionia-Shiawassee Trail. A short discussion took place concerning the membership. Motion carried by voice vote.

New Business

1. Juvenile Court Referee, Monte Starkweather, and Probate Judge, Robert S. Sykes, Jr., presented the 2009 Annual Report for the Family Division of the 8th Judicial Circuit Court (Juvenile Court and Youth Service Bureau) and answered questions from the Board.

2. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Shattuck, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the purchase of a van for Community Corrections in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. Bonnie Detweiler, Business Manager with the Health Department, discussed the need for a new server at the Health Department. Detweiler stated that the County's Information Technician, Brent Schipper, agreed that a new server was needed. Moved by Mason, supported by Powell, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the purchase of a new server for the Health Department, in an amount not to exceed \$7,800 from the Health Department budget. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. Moved by Powell, supported by Tiejema, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the Health Department Budget Amendment as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.
5. Jim Valentine, Central Dispatch Director and Doug LaBeck of Geotech, Inc., discussed the fiber optic cable construction/installation project. Moved by Mason, supported by Powell, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the construction and installation of the fiber optic cable network in an amount not to exceed \$59,381 from the Central Dispatch budget, with the balance to be paid from the PSIC Grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Mason, supported by Tiejema, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve Geotech, Inc. for the construction inspection/management of the fiber optic network installation, with the fees not to exceed 12% of the actual construction cost. Motion carried by voice vote.

6. Moved by Mason, supported by Shattuck, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve Policy 300.052 Appropriations to Agencies as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.
7. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Powell, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners adopt the Resolution to Award Sale of Installment Purchase Agreement for the new Animal Shelter. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: yes – all. The Resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION TO AWARD SALE OF INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the County of Ionia (the "County") is authorized by Section 11b of Act 156 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1851, as amended ("Act 156"), to purchase lands, property or equipment to be used for public and county purposes, and to pay for such property in installments over the lesser of a period of ten years or the useful life of such property; and

WHEREAS, the County proposes to purchase by construction a new animal shelter facility (the "Property"), which comprises "lands, property or equipment" within the meaning of Act 156 from a contractor selected by the County (the "Vendor"); and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners on March 23, 2010 adopted a "Resolution to Authorize Purchase of Lands, Property or Equipment and the Financing Thereof by Installment Purchase Agreement" to provide for the purchase of the Property by installment purchase agreement in accordance with Act 156, approved the form of the installment purchase agreement and authorized {00534169 1 } 2 and directed the County Treasurer to obtain bids for the financing of the Installment Purchase Agreement in the amount of \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer requested bids from financial institutions in accordance with Financing Specifications dated April 21, 2010 (the "Financing Specifications"), a copy of which Financing Specifications are on file with the County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, May 7, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., Local Time, was set as the date and time for opening bids for the purchase of the \$500,000 Installment Purchase Agreement (the "Installment Purchase Agreement") of the County to finance the purchase price of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the bids summarized on Exhibit A attached hereto were received, and publicly opened and read; and

WHEREAS, based on the rate of interest, the total interest cost and the prepayment terms, the bid of Firstbank –West Michigan has been determined to be the proposal most favorable to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Financing Specifications used by the County Treasurer to request proposals for the Installment Purchase Agreement are hereby ratified and approved.
2. The bid of Firstbank –West Michigan is hereby accepted.
3. The Installment Purchase Agreement shall be issued in accordance with the terms set forth in the County's Resolution adopted on March 23, 2010, the Financing Specifications, and the bid accepted by the terms of this resolution.
4. The County Treasurer is hereby designated as the Registrar for the Installment Purchase Agreement.
5. The good faith check of the successful bidder in the amount of \$5,000 shall be applied towards the purchase price of the Installment Purchase Agreement.

County Administrator's report:

1. Updated the Board on the project at the airport;
2. A brief discussion on the Ionia City Water and Sewer Improvement Bonds;
3. Reminder of the Board's budget workshop after the next Committee-of-the-Whole meeting

Commissioner Powell gave a brief update on the animal shelter project and thanked the Road Commission for their communication efforts regarding the road construction to the

animal shelter. In addition, Powell stated that she is receiving many calls concerning the Veteran's Home that burnt awhile back and will be contacting the appropriate county departments concerning the dangerous structure.

Banks opened up the second Public Comment period. Mike Bremer thanked the Board.

Moved by Shattuck, supported by Powell, to adjourn the meeting at 5:24 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

James L. Banks, Chair

Tonda Rich, Clerk