

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 8, 2011
Regular Meeting
3:30 p.m.

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

Members present: Mason, Lower, Vroman, Tiejema, Banks, Calley and Shattuck

Others present: Jim Valentine, Dwain Dennis, Dale Miller, Lisa McCafferty, Diane Adams, Tom Thelen, John Szerlag, Bradley Twesten, Kara Largent, Jordon Miller, Nate Hull, Erica Velasco, Stephanie Hurlbut and Shirley Austin

Approval of Agenda

A. Consideration of additional items

The Chair noted the following additions to the agenda: Added item B. under Consent Calendar; added items F., G., and H under New Business and added one Executive Session. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Lower, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment

Brad Twesten addressed the Board concerning the on-line parcel information on the County's website.

Consent Calendar

- A. Approve minutes of the previous meeting(s)
- B. Approve Closed Session minutes from October 25, 2011

Commissioner Mason requested to pull the October 28, 2011 minutes for further discussion. It was the consensus of the Board to discuss this later in the agenda.

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

Unfinished Business

- A. At the October 25, 2011, the budget amendment presented by Interim County Administrator, Stephanie Hurlbut was tabled until the Board was given time to review the amendment. Moved by Calley, supported by Tiejema, to approve the budget amendment as presented at the October 25, 2011 board meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

New Business

- A. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Vroman, to approve the Jail Medical Services Agreement for one year. Motion carried by voice vote.
- B. Moved by Vroman, supported by Lower, to approve the Cobra Combo Cashier agreement between Swanson Services and the Ionia County Sheriff's Department to provide a kiosk in the jail lobby to allow visitors to deposit money into inmate accounts electronically. Motion carried by voice vote.
- C. Moved by Vroman, supported by Tiejema, to approve the Byrne Memorial Formula Grant/Subcontract for CMET/Ionia County Sheriff's Department for FY 2012. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Calley, to approve the Byrne JAG subcontract for CMET overtime. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion concerning the October 28, 2011 board meeting took place. Moved by Lower, supported by Calley, to approve the October 28, 2011 minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, with Mason voting no.

- E. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Banks, to approve Central Dispatch Director, Jim Valentine, to post and begin the selection process to hire an entry level dispatcher to fill the opening created by the promotion of a dispatcher to supervisor. Motion carried by voice vote.
- F. Moved by Mason, supported by Vroman, to approve filling the position of Bookkeeper in the MSU Extension Office at 13 hours per week. Motion carried by voice vote.
- G. Moved by Mason, supported by Banks, to approve the County Clerk's election budget amendment as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.
- H. Moved by Vroman, supported by Mason, to approve the Master Service Agreement between Ionia County and Aylward Consultants, LLC, d/b/a Abilita-Lansing, for the review of Ionia County's telecommunications systems and to authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

Interim County Administrator's report:

- 1) Brief update on the Road Commission's insurance;
- 2) Judge Kreeger will be holding a memorial on November 10, 2011 in the Circuit Courtroom for Dennis Mitin, substance abuse counselor, who passed away;
- 3) Notified Board of upcoming open enrollment
- 4) Acknowledged the students attending the Board meeting today and that they would need signatures attesting to their attendance today

Reports

Commissioner Lower inquired if there would be a cap on the number of special committee meetings (facilities, personnel, etc.).

Commissioner Banks stated there was an article in the Grand Rapids Press about the courthouse.

Public Comment

Register of Deeds, Diane Adams, addressed the Board concerning the on-line parcel information.

The Chair called for a brief recess at 4:17 p.m. and reconvened at 4:26 p.m.

Moved by Banks, supported by Vroman, to enter into Closed Session to discuss a pending lawsuit. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: yes – all.

Moved by Mason, supported by Lower, to adjourn Closed Session at 4:40 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Mason, supported by Tiejema, to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jack Shattuck, Chair

Shirley Austin, Deputy Clerk