

**IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Meeting

August 14, 2012

4:00 p.m.

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

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

Members absent: Vroman

Others present: Loren Gage, Ron Schafer, Don Ransom, Diane Adams, Scott Wirtz, Jeff Radike, Jim Valentine, Nancy Rodriguez, Karen Bota, Tom Thelen, Dale Miller, Lisa McCafferty, Mark Jones, Doug DeVries, Ken Bowen, Stephanie Hurlbut and Janae Cooper

**Approval of Agenda**

- A. Consideration of additional items

Moved by Tiejema, supported by Lower, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Public Comment**

No one addressed the Board.

**Consent Calendar**

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

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

**Unfinished Business**

- A. Loren Gage, Park Manager, and Ron Schafer, Prosecuting Attorney, discussed the wording for the new Park Regulation Rule #6 at Bertha Brock Park. This matter was tabled from the July 24, 2012 meeting to allow the Board time to review the law. Moved by Banks, supported by Lower, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners adopt Bertha Brock Park Regulation Rule # 6 as follows: *“No person shall, upon Commission property, discharge or set off anywhere upon said property , a*

*firearm, with or without a Carry Concealed Weapon permit, except in designated target ranges or areas and times.” Motion carried by voice vote.*

## **New Business**

- A. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Mason, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners authorize the Friend of the Court to fill the Friend of the Court Conciliator/Child Support Specialist position. Motion carried by voice vote.
- B. Jim Valentine, Central Dispatch Director, discussed the proposed E911 Operating Surcharge Ballot Proposal. This proposal would be seeking an increase to the surcharge rate that is assessed to all devices capable of accessing 9-1-1 in Ionia County. Currently, the surcharge rate is \$1.77 per device. The proposal would increase the surcharge not to exceed \$2.40. Valentine stated that the current income derived from the surcharge is basically only covering the operation of Ionia County Central Dispatch. Lower presented the Board with a data sheet showing device growth rate. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Banks, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners adopt the Resolution of the Ionia County Board of Commissioners. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: Yes votes: Mason, Tiejema, Banks, Shattuck. No votes: Lower and Calley. The Resolution was adopted as follows:

### **RESOLUTION OF THE IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 2012-10**

**WHEREAS**, on the twenty-third day of December 2008, Governor Jennifer Granholm signed into law Public Act 379 intended to stabilize funding for E-911 operations by spreading operating costs over all devices capable of accessing E-911 services in the State of Michigan at a monthly surcharge rate up to Three Dollars (\$3.00) through the year 2014, and

**WHEREAS**, on the twenty-sixth day of June 2012, Governor Rick Snyder signed into law Public Act 260 to extend the funding until December 21, 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, this Commission, recognizing that the rate of \$1.77 per month per device assigned to Ionia County by the Michigan Public Service Commission was insufficient to sustain 9-1-1 services in the County, determined to place the issue before the citizens in ballot form, and

**WHEREAS**, on the fourteenth day of August 2012, the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approved placing before the voters of Ionia County the question, “For the

period beginning on July 1, 2013 and continuing through the month of June in the year 2021, shall Ionia County be authorized to assess a monthly surcharge of up to Two Dollars and Forty Cents (not to exceed \$2.40) on the monthly billings of landline, wireless and VoIP service suppliers within the geographic boundaries of Ionia County to be used exclusively for the funding of 911 emergency telephone call answering and dispatch services within Ionia County, including facilities, equipment and operations?", and

**WHEREAS**, the Ionia County Central Dispatch Advisory Board voted at their regular meeting on July 11, 2012 that the surcharge issue and voter ballot language be presented to the Board of Commissioners for their approval to be placed before the voters,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the following proposal be submitted to the qualified voters of the County of Ionia at the next State General Election to be held in said County on Tuesday, November 6, 2012:

**911 OPERATING SURCHARGE PROPOSAL**

*For the period beginning July 1, 2013 and continuing through the month of June in the year 2021, shall Ionia County be authorized to assess a monthly surcharge of up to Two Dollars and Forty Cents (not to exceed \$2.40) on the monthly billings of landline, wireless and VOIP service suppliers within the geographic boundaries of Ionia County to be used exclusively for the funding of 911 emergency telephone call answering and dispatch services within Ionia County, including facilities, equipment and operations?*

2. Said proposition shall be stated on the ballots to be prepared and distributed in the manner provided by law.

3. All Public Officials in the County of Ionia, State of Michigan, and all Governmental Units thereof, within such time as shall be required by law, be and are directed to perform all acts which shall be necessary to be performed in order to submit the above stated proposition to the duly qualified voters of said County at the State General Election to be held in said County on Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

4. It is further ordered that a certified copy of said proposition be filed with the County Clerk as required by law.

- C. Moved by Mason, supported by Calley, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the FY 2012 Emergency Management Performance Grant Agreement that pays a portion of the Emergency Manager's wage and benefits, and authorize the signature of the Chairperson. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. Moved by Lower, supported by Mason, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve an agreement with Greg Cook Builder for the repair and painting of the historical hangar at the Ionia County Airport at a cost not to exceed \$15,500. Motion carried by voice vote.
- E. Moved by Mason, supported by Tiejema, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners adopt the Ionia County Courthouse Single Entrance Policy and Procedures Weapons Screening as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. (A copy of the Policy is on file in the County Clerk's Office)
- F. Moved by Lower, supported by Calley, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners authorize filling the open part-time Corrections Officer position at the jail. Motion carried by voice vote.
- G. Moved by Calley, supported by Mason, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the 2013 FY application for Community Corrections. Motion carried by voice vote.
- H. Lt. Mark Jones discussed the Dining Purchasing Services Membership Program with Entegra, who has partnered with Dining Purchasing Services to provide savings through bulk purchasing. Jones requested authorization for the Sheriff's Department to become a member of the program in order to save on kitchen supplies. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Calley, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the Dining Purchasing Services Group Purchasing Program Membership, and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
- I. Chair Shattuck acknowledged the PA116 Farmland Agreement filed by Bryan Spitzley for property located in Sebewa Township.
- J. Moved by Mason, supported by Tiejema, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners authorize amendment #3 of the Michigan Department of Community Health Comprehensive Planning, Budgeting and Contracting Agreement that revises the annual budget, Program Specific Assurance Requirements and incorporates the Funding/Reimbursement Matrix as revised for the Essential Local Public Health Service, and to further authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.
- K. Public Health Officer, Lisa McCafferty, further requested approval of the Agreement for Services between Ingham Health Plan Corporation D/B/A Ionia Health Plan and Ionia County Health Department Amendment #1. McCafferty stated that the County will receive an additional \$25,000 to use toward the Ionia County Health Plan. Moved by Tiejema, supported by Calley, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve the Agreement for Services between Ingham Health Plan

Corporation D/B/A Ionia Health Plan and Ionia County Health Department Amendment #1 and to authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

- L. Moved by Mason, supported by Lower, that the Ionia County Board of Commissioners approve renewing the Speech Therapy Referral Service Agreement between the Ionia County Health Department and the school districts of Ionia County and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried by voice vote.

**County Administrator’s Report**

County Administrator, Stephanie Hurlbut, advised the Board that she is continuing to work on the 2013 budget. The Budget recommendation will be ready and presented at the next board meeting. Hurlbut also stated that the Community Corrections Request for Proposals (RFP’s) have been sent.

The County is accepting applicants for the Sewage Disposal Contractor’s Advisory Board.

**Public Comment**

No one addressed the Board.

Moved by Mason, supported by Lower, to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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Jack Shattuck, Chair

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Janae K. Cooper, Chief Deputy Clerk

Minutes approved on:  
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