

Commissioner Minutes of November 10, 2015

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 10, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Walters. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a short prayer was given. Roll call found all Commissioners present.

An invitation was extended by the pastor of the First United Methodist Church to attend the Veterans Breakfast on November 11th at 9:00 a.m.

*Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to proceed with the consent agenda as amended. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***

The cash balances were then read by Commissioner Birgel. General Fund – \$1,518,840.44. Unallocated has a balance of \$28,211.94. Total General Fund and Tax Unallocated Cash \$1,547,052.38. An advance of \$400,000 has been made from the Unallocated Fund for payment of bills.

Public Comments: none at this time.

*Discussion of expiring **appointments to the Planning and Zoning committees.** Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to appoint Bob Killian to the Planning Commission and Richard Christie to the Planning Commission and ZBA with expiration dates of 12-31-2018. Ayes carried, **motion passed.** A replacement is needed for Fred Sisco who is not interested in being re-appointed once his term is up. Motion by Commissioner Hinman, supported by Commissioner Smith, to re-appoint Don Birgel to the Planning Commission with an expiration term of 12-31-18. Ayes carried, **motion passed.** Commissioner Birgel then made motion to re-appoint George Alward to the Construction Codes Board of Appeals with an expiration term of 12-31-17. Motion supported by Commissioner Aultman. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***

Finance Matters – Commissioner Birgel:

*Commissioner Birgel spoke on the action taken at the last meeting regarding Township use of the County discount through Quill. After much discussion, it was decided that the Finance committee would review the matter further. Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Smith, to table the discussion to the next meeting. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***

1. Jim Maveal, Animal Control Officer, has requested permission to attend **the MPAW Euthanasia Injection Course** in Westland, Michigan on November 30th and December 1st. There will be no lodging with this course, only mileage and meals. The cost of the training is \$65.00 and will be paid from 101-430-860.000 once approved. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to authorized the training as outlined. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***
2. Bill Mason, Equalization Director, has requested an increase to petty cash from \$25.00 to \$50.00. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to allow for the increase and to allow for the Treasurer to facilitate the request. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***
3. Undersheriff Hartwell is requesting permission to **hire a part time corrections officer** due to the vacancy left by Officer Dixon. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to allow for the hiring of a part time Corrections Officer as requested. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***
4. Justin Schneider, Building Official, has requested the below budget amendments:
\$300.00 from 101-371-932.000 to 101-371-801.000
\$175.00 from 101-400-860.000 to 101-400-702.000

*Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow for the Clerk to handle the budget amendment as requested. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***

Commissioner Reports by District –

Commissioner Hinman reported:

- On Union Negotiations with Command, Unit 6 and the Deputies.
- That he participated in a presentation by the Corrections Unit on a different healthcare system.
- On attending the DATA meeting on November 4th.
- That he worked with the Clerk and Commissioner Birgel on the Budget.
- That his Township meetings begin tomorrow night.

Commissioner Smith reported:

- On attending the Buckeye Township meeting on October 28th, noting they voted to use curbside recycling rather than a recycling bin at the Township Hall.
- That she attended the DATA committee meeting on November 4th. The new server funding for the email system has been placed in the 2016 budget and should eliminate the problems that we are experiencing with the current system. The committee is also looking at how to gain control of the gladwinco.com domain so that the current email addresses will not have to be changed.
- On the Beaverton Activity Center concert meeting on November 4th, noting the first concert is the Calvarymen and will be on Sunday, December 13th. There will be storytellers performing for the school children on Monday, December 14th.
- That she attended the Tobacco Township meeting on November 9th, stating everything is going well.
- The Tobacco River Rifle Club will be holding sight in days beginning again tomorrow until Saturday beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Birgel reported:

- That he attended the Central Michigan District Health Department meeting where there was discussion with the new Doctor on the use of marijuana.
- On the Recreation meeting, noting issues are moving along slowly and the next meeting is November 18th.
- On meeting for negotiations with the POAM and UAW.
- That he attended both the Grout and Beaverton Township meetings, commenting that both Townships are in favor of the Courthouse being re-opened for 5 days per week and the re-hiring of two deputies.

Commissioner Aultman reported:

- That she also attended the Board of Health meeting, commenting on the discussion around the use of recreational marijuana and that the United States has the largest use. There was also discussion on the recent cases of TB in surrounding counties.
- On the EDC meeting on November 4th where a loan was granted to a BBQ business owner to expand his business.
- That she attended both the Billings and Bentley meetings last night. Bentley has a new Township sign and has reported upgrades to their Fire Department.
- On attending the Mid Michigan Community Action Agency meeting on the 13th.
- That she would like to be excused from all meetings for the month of December. Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to excuse Commissioner Aultman for the month of December. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Comments from the Chairman:

- That he will be gone the first week of December.
- On the meeting with Karen Blonde from the Housing Commission on October 28th.
- That he attended the Recreation meeting on the 29th.
- On attending the Gladwin City meeting on November 2nd.
- On participating in the Department Head meeting on November 5th.
- On review of the letter in response to Amish safety in our community by Joel Johnson. There will be a hearing on the matter on December 7th at 10:00 a.m. in the Mack Room of the Anderson House Building.
- Tomorrow is the Veterans Memorial ceremony at the Honor Wall at 11:00 a.m.
- The Honor Roll will be updated with new names in the near future.

Veterans Lost:

Mickey Yager, Beaverton Township – Vietnam
John Cameron, Sage Township – Korea
James Aubin, Sage Township – Korea
Leonard McIntosh, Buckeye Township - Vietnam

*Motion by Commissioner Hinman, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to receive and file various correspondence and reports. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***

*Motion by Commissioner Hinman, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to adjourn. Ayes carried, **motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m. until the regularly scheduled Board meeting on November 24, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.*

Laura Brandon-Maveal
County Clerk

Terry Walters
Chairman