

Commissioner Minutes of December 27, 2016

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 27, 2016. 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, except Commissioner Smith who had been excused.

There were no changes or additions to the agenda. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to proceed with the consent agenda as prepared, with the approval of the minutes of the December 13th meeting and the December 22nd Committee of the Whole meeting minutes. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Public Comments – none at this time.

The **cash balances** were then read by Commissioner Birgel. *General Fund - \$674,167.48.*

Chairman Walters then asked the Board's consideration for his appointment to the EDC committee effective 12-27-16 through 12-31-2021. *Motion by Commissioner Hinman, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to appoint Chairman Walters to the committee. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Finance Matters – Commissioner Birgel:

1. The 2016 year end books will need to stay open through the end of February 2017 for accrual purposed. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to allow the Clerk and Treasurer to keep the 2016 year open as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
2. The second semi-annual budget amendments will be done on 12-31-16. The Clerk will prepare a listing of these adjustments and send by email for the Board's review. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to allow the Clerk to perform these budget amendments on December 31st. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
3. Undersheriff Hartwell has submitted quotes for the portable radio upgrade project. This project will be handled by Radio North in the amount of \$11,359.67 and will be paid for with Securus funding that is held in the 286 fund. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to allow the Undersheriff to proceed with the project and to accept the bid from Radio North. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
4. Aaron Miller, Prosecuting Attorney, has outlined services for Gladwin City to handle the prosecution of City ordinances. If approved, the County will recognize \$250.00 in revenue each month from the City. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to allow for the Prosecutor to handle the services and to create a new line item for the receipt of the revenue – 101-000-524.000. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
5. Discussion on the MAC dues bill for 2017 and the Board's intent to continue their services. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to not authorize the payment of the 2017 MAC dues. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Commissioner Reports by District –

Commissioner Hinman reported:

- That there will be a public hearing on the budget Thursday, December 29th at 8:30 a.m. The Board will be reviewing the budget with an over \$700,000 shortfall and proposed reductions of 10% from each department. The 12-13-16 budget worksheets will be used to determine these cuts. Discussion.

- That he was unable to attend his Township meetings, noting he was out of town on a family matter.

Commissioner Birgel reported:

- On a request from Equalization to allow the use of a county computer during the course of lunch hours to allow Janine Marchington to take certification classes for the office. Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to allow the use of the computer as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
- That he would like to make a *motion to move Gayle Reid to a full time Executive Secretary effective 1-3-2017.* Discussion by the Board on their feelings. *Motion supported by Commissioner Aultman.* Roll call vote as follows: Hinman – no, Walters – yes, Aultman -yes, Smith – excused, Birgel – yes. 3 yes, 1 no, 1 excused. Ayes carried, **motion passed.**

Commissioner Aultman reported:

- That she has had no other scheduled meetings other than the Committee of the Whole, Budget and the Swearing in Ceremony.
- On emailing her report to Secord Township so that she could be in attendance at the Swearing in Ceremony.

Comments from the Chairman:

- On his review of the budget, noting he will give his comments and recommendations to the committee at a later time.

Public Comments – none at this time.

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

Marianne Hill, Emergency Management, spoke on the generator project for the Courthouse and the siren project at Sage Township. Discussion.

Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to adjourn. Ayes carried, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m., until the next regular Board meeting on January 10, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.



Laura Brandon-Maveal
County Clerk



Terry Walters
Chairman