

Commissioner Minutes of September 12, 2017

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 12, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Walters. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call found all Commissioners present, except Commissioner Smith who had been excused.

The Board reviewed the agenda. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to proceed with the consent agenda as prepared. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

The **cash balances** were then read by Commissioner Aultman. *General Fund - \$34,546.31 before the payment of any bills with an advancement of \$900,000 from other funds.*

The regular minutes of the August 22, 2017 and the special Board meeting minutes of August 31, 2017 were then reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to approve the minutes as prepared. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Public Comments: none at this time.

Eric Keller, Northern Michigan Director for Senator Peters, introduced himself to the Board and encouraged them to contact him for assistance and services.

Chairman Walters then asked those in attendance to observe a moment of silence for those people in Texas and Florida and to remember the victims and families of 9-11.

Motion by Commissioner Hinman, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to go into Executive Session with Prosecutor Miller to discuss an issue. Ayes carried, motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 9:06 – 9:15 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to return to regular session. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Shari Spoelman and Bev Przystas, MSU Extension, came before the Board to announce the *100-year anniversary celebration* that will be held today from noon – 3:00 p.m. Ms. Przystas stated that there will be a historical display and light refreshments available and hopes that the Board can attend. Ms. Spoelman introduced the staff that was in attendance and asked that the Board consider taking action on the resolution before them. The Clerk read the “Resolution Commemorating 100 Years of Cooperative Extension.” *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to support the resolution as read. Roll call vote as follows: Hinman – yes, Walters -yes, Aultman – yes, Smith – excused, Birgel – yes. 4 yes, 1 excused. Ayes carried, resolution 2017-020 declared adopted.*

Finance Matters – Commissioner Aultman:

1. The County Child Care Budget has been submitted for review by DHS. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow the Chairman to sign the budget as presented and approved by the Courts. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
2. Justin Schneider, Construction Codes, has requested permission to use the credit card for an online purchase. The purchase will be \$105.56 for 2000 label stickers for department use. This expense will be paid from 101-371-727.000. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow the Clerk to use the credit card to complete the order as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
3. An additional copier has been added to the remaining term of the County's lease with MOS. The additional monthly cost is \$88.95 with a onetime lease addendum fee of \$100.00. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to approve the Chairman to sign the lease addendum for the additional payment from the 296 department. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
4. Rick Ghent, Maintenance Supervisor, had his telephone destroyed while working in the Jail. Mr. Ghent has asked the committee for their consideration in replacing his phone at the expense of \$149.99 from his budget item 101-265-850.000. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow Mr. Ghent to replace his phone from the expense line as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
5. Karee Barlow, 911 Assistant Administrator, has registered five dispatchers for the APCO 2017 Fall Conference in Tustin, Michigan September 20-22. The cost of the training is \$1,750.00 plus mileage and meals that can be paid from 282-000-804.001 once approved. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to approve the training as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
6. Mike Brubaker has provided the invoices for the propane purchase for the new generator at the tower. Total cost of \$372.75 can be paid from 101-265-935.003. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow the Clerk to pay the invoices as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
7. Susan Walker, Sheriff's Secretary, has requested permission to attend the Michigan Sheriff's Association Conference on October 30th to participate in the Administrative Assistant session. Cost to attend is \$150.00 plus meals and mileage if applicable from line item 101-351-804.000. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to approve the training as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
8. The committee has discussed the purchasing policy regarding Quill purchases and would make the following recommendation: Departments have the ability to order general office supplies under \$500.00 without committee approval. The following purchases will need committee approval prior to purchase: Orders over \$500.00, equipment, furniture, or other "capital related" expenses. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to implement this policy and that a memo be sent to all department heads regarding this change. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
9. The Gypsy Moth program has started their fall count program. Mr. Kruchkow has hired six individuals at \$9.50/hour as 1099 contractual employees. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow the Clerk to pay the new staff from the 239 fund as requested by Mr. Kruchkow. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

County Treasurer, Christy Van Tiem, spoke on the resolution opposing SB 386 and the homestead claims on foreclosed properties. Discussion. Commissioner Birgel commented on the communications he has had with several Senators, including the sponsor Judy Emmons, noting he can't support the resolution as he feels it is important to rely on the process of the Senators and the State Elected Officials. Treasurer Van Tiem asked the Board to support their Treasurer who follows the process of the law and works

very closely with the Judges. After further discussion, it was decided that the resolution would be tabled for further research before consideration.

Commissioner Reports by District –

Commissioner Birgel reported:

- That he has been dealing with issues for negotiations through the personnel committee.
- On an MMRMA issue that has come to light on no coverage for financial suits for the Drain Commission and DEQ. Commissioner Birgel spoke on the differences of the two entities and the building legal fees due to the Drain Commissioner's Attorney in excess of \$30,000.
- That Grout Township is working on the construction of their new pavilion.
- On the Beaverton Township meeting where they spoke on the issues with the new marijuana ordinance.

Commissioner Aultman reported:

- That she attended the District Health meeting in Harrison on August 23rd. They passed a point of sale septic system resolution for Isabella County that does not affect Gladwin County.
- On attending the MMCAA meeting on August 24th, noting they are waiting on notification of federal funding for programs.
- That she attended the Michigan Works meeting on the 25th where they are also waiting on their notice for funding. Michigan Works will now be required to do an allocation report similar to what the County does through Maximus. The agency is also expecting budget cuts for 2018.
- On attending a Michigan Works conference yesterday.
- On the Mental Health meeting on August 29th, noting discussion on federal budget cuts. They are launching a new program focusing on children 0-5 years of age.
- On attending the special Board meeting on August 31st.
- That she and the secretary are participating in the budget webinar course.
- On the Finance meeting on September 7th.
- That she attended the Bentley Township meeting on the 11th.
- On the Billings Township meeting, also on the 11th, noting they held two public hearings on the paving of roads and stated they will have a road millage on the ballot in November.

Commissioner Hinman reported:

- That he volunteered at the Hazardous Waste Collection day on August 26th. They took in 227 tires and the event went well and was busy.
- On the DATA meeting last Wednesday and meeting with Prosecutor Miller on the closed session topic.
- That he will be starting his Township meetings tomorrow evening.

The Chairman then asked the Board to review the resolution received from Genesee County in opposition to the reduction or elimination of federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to send a letter of support to Genesee County on their venture.* Ayes carried, **motion passed.**

Chairman Walters informed the Board that Jack DeRosa would no longer be serving on the Zoning Commission and the alternate member, Josh Reid, would be taking his place. *Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to appoint Josh Reid to fill the vacancy as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Comments from the Chairman:

- That he also volunteered at the hazardous waste collection for Gladwin City on August 26th.
- On the DATA meeting on September 6th.
- On participating in the Finance meeting on the 7th.
- That there is a Veterans meeting this afternoon.
- That the Sage Township meeting is coming up.
- Gladwin City is looking for volunteers to plant trees on the 15th if anyone is interested in helping.
- That he has been working with Attorney Jacobson on issues regarding Pratt Lake.
- On communication with the Drain Commissioner on the removal of trees and the clearing of ditches.

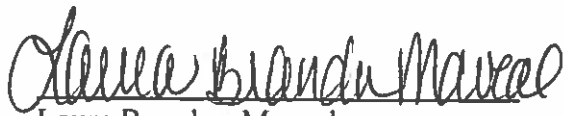
Public Comments – Karen Moore, Court Administrator, spoke on the MMCC Annual Fundraiser and Fall Festival, noting raffle tickets are just \$5.00.

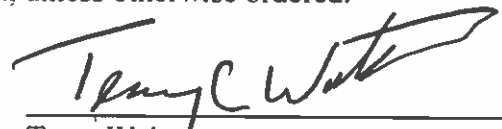
Commissioner Aultman complimented the Road Commission for the work they have done this summer on several re-surface projects, commenting that these projects are done in coordination with the townships and the road millage that is up for renewal in 2018.

Marianne Hill gave a brief update on the Section 19 funding to reimburse the County and the Road Commission for their expenses. Discussion. Residents have until October 2, 2017 to make their claim through FEMA.

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

Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Hinman, to adjourn. Ayes carried, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m., until the next regular Board meeting on September 26, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.


Laura Brandon-Maveal
County Clerk


Terry Walters
Chairman

RESOLUTION NO. 17-020
COMMEMORATING 100 YEARS OF COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
A DIVISION OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, the acts of Congress on May 8 and June 30, 1914, solidified the development of a nationwide cooperative extension program through the Smith-Lever Act "in order to aid in diffusing among the people of the United States useful and practical information on subjects related to agriculture... and home economics;" and
WHEREAS, Extension services are provided through our country's land grant universities, and
WHEREAS, Michigan State University (then Michigan Agricultural College) was the first land grant university in the United States, and
WHEREAS, the Gladwin County Extension program began in May 1917 through the direction of U.G. Reynolds as temporary emergency support, through a movement to have statewide coverage, and
WHEREAS, the first permanent 4-H Club Agent, C.J. Barnum, served Gladwin County in 1918, and the first County Home Demonstration Agent, Muriel Dundas served Gladwin County in 1921; and
WHEREAS, through the years Michigan State University Extension has held true to its mission to "help people improve their lives through an educational process that applies knowledge to critical issues, needs and "opportunities" while adapting to changing times and adopting new technologies; and
WHEREAS, Michigan State University Extension services continue to bring the research of the university to the community and its programs include 4-H, Agriculture, Family Nutrition, Children & Youth Education, Lawn and Garden Information, Food Safety, and programs directed at Michigan's Natural Resources; and
WHEREAS, 2017 marks one-hundred years of collaboration between the federal government, the state of Michigan, Gladwin County, and the Extension Office of Michigan State University.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners appreciates all the efforts of the Extension Office in Gladwin County.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS

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RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED


Terry Walter, Gladwin County Board of Commissioners


Laura Brandon-Maveal, County Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF GLADWIN)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Resolution 17- adopted by the County Board of Commissioners of Gladwin County at a regular meeting held on September 12, 2017, and I further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.


Laura Brandon-Maveal, County Clerk

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners, held at the Gladwin County Courthouse,
401 W. Cedar Ave. Gladwin, Michigan on the twelfth day of September, 2017, at 9 00 a.m.

PRESENT: Hinman, Walters, Aultman, Birgel
ABSENT: Smith

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Commissioner Birgel and supported by
Commissioner Aultman