

## Commissioner Minutes of May 28, 2019

*The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 28, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Smith. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a short prayer was given. Roll call found all Commissioners present.*

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

The **cash balances** were then read by Commissioner Taylor. *General Fund – \$28,852.75. An advance of \$750,000 has been made to the General Fund from the 210 – EMS Fund.*

*The Regular Session minutes of May 14, 2019, along with the Committee of the Whole Executive Session minutes from May 22, 2019, were then reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Kyle Grove, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to approve the minutes as prepared. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

**Public Comments** – none at this time.

### **Communications:**

Chairperson Smith commented that a letter has been sent to Dr. Bratton regarding the Right to Life Michigan correspondence.

### **Finance Matters – Commissioner Taylor:**

1. John Clayton, EMS, has given a budget update to the committee and discussed the upcoming tax assessment for 2020. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allocate .50 mills for EMS services on the 2020 tax bills. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
2. Jennifer Ochab, Victims Advocate – Prosecutor's Office, has requested to establish direct approval of any victim payments issued from her office. These payments are grant reimbursed and would be sent to the Clerk's Office for immediate payment rather than being approved through Finance. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to allow the Clerk to make payment on these requests upon delivery without finance approval. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
3. Kayti Newman, Prosecutor's Office, has requested use of the County's credit card to order office supplies through an online vendor. The total cost of \$210.90 is reimbursable through grants in their office. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Rick Grove, to allow the Clerk to use the County's credit card for an online order for the Prosecutor's Office in the amount of \$210.90. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
4. The County Clerk has outlined her request to attend her annual conference in Harris, Michigan August 18-21, 2019. Totals costs are \$250.00 registration and \$128.01 lodging plus mileage and meals. All costs can be paid from 263-000-860.000. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allow the County Clerk to attend the conference as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
5. Lindsie Dillon, Clerk's Office, and the County Clerk will be attending the BS&A User Group meeting on July 31 – August 1, 2019 in Marquette, Michigan. There is no cost to attend this training. The expense for two nights of lodging, mileage and meals can be paid from 101-215-860.000. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allow for the training as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
6. Magistrate Elizabeth Post will be completing her CEO training through Lansing Community College in the amount of \$140.00. The exam fee for State Certification is \$60.00. Magistrate Post

has requested to utilize the County's credit card for these expenses from 101-136-801.000. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allow the County Clerk to use the credit card for the expenses as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

7. Lisa Ashley, Recovery Court Coordinator, has submitted her request for the release of the 2019 allocated funds for the Recovery Court Program in the amount of \$5,000. This expense can be paid from 101-136-715.000 with Board approval. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to allow the Clerk to make the disbursement as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
8. MAXIMUS has submitted a request for a contract renewal for service years 2018, 2019 and 2020. There are no changes to the current contract. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to allow the Chairperson to sign the contract for 2018-2020 services upon presentation. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
9. Ed Logsdon, Marine Patrol Supervisor, has submitted his list of employees this year and their rate of pay. This matter will require Board action to allow the Clerk to disburse the wages as listed. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to establish the Marine wages for the 2019 season and to allow the Clerk to make the payroll disbursements according to this wage schedule. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

**Committee meetings:** The DATA committee held a meeting with Stearns Marketing regarding the ongoing issues.

**New Business:**

- The Annual Report has been submitted by the Drain Commissioner's Office. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Smith, to approve the report as prepared. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
- An RFP has been prepared for the repairs that can be handled under an Energy Efficiency project. *Motion by Commissioner Rick Grove, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to place the RFP for advertisement through the County Record and the County's website. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

**Comments from the Chair:** none currently.

**Commissioner Reports by District –**

**Commissioner Kyle Grove reported:**

- That he attended the Sherman Township meeting, commenting he had to leave early to participate in the Sports Complex meeting.
- On attending the Sports Complex meeting.
- On the Gladwin Township meeting.
- That he met with Stearns Marketing to discuss changes that the County would like handled. There will be another meeting in June to discuss further options.
- On attending the Northern MAC meeting in Grayling, noting topics of the rising costs of health care.
- That he participated in the Four Lakes Task Force meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup> with Midland County. New information and an in-depth timeline were reviewed.
- On the Memorial Day Parade and Services that he attended.

**Commissioner Taylor reported:**

- That he participated in five Lake Level meetings, noting they moved along nicely and there was a good response.
- On the union negotiations with the Court employees held in Harrison on May 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be another negotiation session on June 16, 2019.

- That the City of Gladwin named a new Police Chief. Eric Killian will take over the middle of June after the School Resource Officer position is released.
- That he attended the Veterans meeting. The committee is looking at building a new memorial and will bring a presentation to the Board once a plan is drafted. Commissioner Taylor thanked Rick Ghent for his assistance in getting everything ready for the ceremony.
- That he and Commissioner Vernier attended the Health Department meeting. They are working through their budget process and with MERS to satisfy their pension funding levels. Commissioner Taylor will have a copy of their final budget for the Board's review once they have adopted it.

**Commissioner Vernier reported:**

- On his attendance at the Health Department meeting, commenting that they thanked the Board for fixing a couple of the potholes, noting there are additional to be repaired. They engaged in a discussion with Dr. Peter Bruce on the HIV and Hep C population in the Clare and Harrison area. They spoke on the impact of dirty needles and the needle exchange program they offer.
- That he attended the MMCAA meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup> where they discussed the following: A new student loan program is being worked on; the down payment assistance program for new home owners; a loan default assistance program; and, the purchase of a new food truck. The committee then spoke on the funding that has been given to them from the Gladwin Community Foundation to promote a "remote census" project.
- On the HSCB meeting on May 21, 2019 where they discussed the 72 cases of measles and a side conversation of tuberculosis.
- That he attended the Michigan Works meeting on May 21, 2019, noting discussion on grant opportunities and rural loans to assist in the purchase of land for recreation areas.

**Chairperson Smith reported:**

- That she attended the Four Lakes Task Force meeting on May 16, 2019, commenting it was very informative.
- On a meeting with Deana Bosworth and Steve Currie of MAC on May 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss Drain Commissioner issues.
- That she participated in the Committee of the Whole meeting on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- On the Buckeye Township meeting on May 22, 2019, noting their concerns on the new contract language with Preston Services for Equalization services with the Townships.
- That she met with the auditors on May 24<sup>th</sup>.
- On celebrating her husband's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Chairperson Smith thanked those that sent cards and sent her husband birthday wishes.
- That she attended both Memorial Day parades and celebrations, noting both were very enjoyable and patriotic. A special thanks to Ron Taylor, Rick Ghent and Terry Walters for setting up chairs and the PA system for the celebrations.

**Commissioner Rick Grove reported:**

- That he attended the Four Lakes Task Force meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>.
- On the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, noting there are proper laws in place for good reasons and they had to deny a garage based on the building location.
- On attending the Sports Complex meeting where they spoke on liability insurance.

- That he attended the Committee of the Whole meeting.
- On the Land Bank meeting where they discussed the sale of the home in Beaverton and the proposed sale price. The committee also spoke on the potential expansion of the Farmer's Market by purchasing a home.
- That the Beaverton Township meeting is tonight.

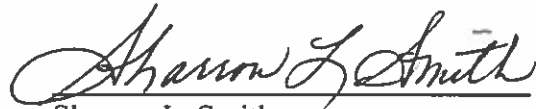
**Public Comments** – none at this time.

*Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to receive and file various correspondence and reports. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***

*Motion by Commissioner Vernier, supported by Commissioner Rick Grove, to adjourn. Ayes carried, **motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m., until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on June 11, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.*



Laura Brandon-Maveal  
County Clerk



Sharron L. Smith  
Chairperson