

## Commissioner Minutes of July 9, 2019

*The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met for a public hearing to review the application for USDA grant funds toward a first responder vehicle for the Sheriff's Department. The public hearing was called to order at 8:45 a.m., as published in the Gladwin County Record, by Chairperson Smith. The Clerk outlined the USDA application in the amount of \$39,392.50. There were no public comments. The public hearing concluded at 8:49 a.m.*

*The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 9, 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 – \$65,204.62.*

*The Regular Session minutes of June 25, 2019 were then reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Vernier, supported by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the minutes as prepared. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

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

### **Communications:**

The Library report showing the June statistics was reviewed and filed.

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

1. The County Clerk discussed information on the upcoming MERS Conference October 3-4, 2019 at Grand Traverse Resort. If the committee would like to send an employee delegate, it would need to be prepared by election. All costs for the training, approximately \$900.00, would come from 101-101-860.000. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to approve the training and associated costs as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
2. The following individuals have requested payout per their union contracts:
  - a. Hannah McGuire, Probate Court, 35 hours of unused vacation hours. Total of \$610.40 to be paid from 101-148-706.000.
  - b. Diane Doherty, Dispatcher, payout of 354 hours upon her July 7, 2019 retirement. Total of \$6,517.14 to be paid from 101-422-704.000.
  - c. Dee Lindeman, District Court, 70 hours of unused vacation. Total of \$1,132.60 to be paid from 101-136-706.000.
  - d. Troy Rabadue, Sheriff's Office, 120 hours of unused PTO. Total of \$3,394.80 to be paid from 101-301-704.001.

*Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allow the Clerk to make the disbursements as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

3. Undersheriff Hartwell spoke on the remodeling costs at the Jail that are required by DOC for kitchen repairs. A quote has been furnished for labor and supplies in the amount of \$3,534.14 that can be paid from 101-351-930.000. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to allow the project to proceed as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

4. Mike Brubaker, 911 Director, has requested permission to purchase a new shredder for his department. With three quotes obtained, Mr. Brubaker would like the committee to consider his request to use Quill as the purchasing vendor in the amount of \$699.99 from 101-422-727.000. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allow for the purchase as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

**Committee meetings:** The minutes of the DATA and Insurance meetings were disbursed and placed on file.

**New Business:**

John Obermesik, Executive Director for Community Mental Health, and Sara Miceli-Sorenson came before the Board to present the 2018 Annual Report. Mr. Obermesik spoke on updates and service levels across the six counties Mental Health serves. Ms. Sorenson spoke on local services and new screening tools that have been implemented. Commissioner Vernier commented that Charity Weston was recognized at the last Mental Health meeting for her 20 years of employment. Ken Roberts, Veterans Director, thanked Community Mental Health for their services, noting they go “above and beyond” for the community and their veterans.

The Board then reviewed the proposed RFP that has been drafted for paving services at the Health Department. *Motion by Commissioner Vernier, supported by Commissioner Rick Grove, to accept the RFP as drafted and to allow for the publication and acceptance of bids. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Blue Care Network has submitted a renewal contract for the retiree’s division of health care for 2020. Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Vernier, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to allow the Clerk to sign the renewal contract as presented. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

**Comments from the Chair:**

- Thanks to Commissioner Rick Grove for his work in the energy efficiency project and his coordination of efforts with the contractors through Branro Enterprises. Chairperson Smith commented that under the previous plan, none of this work was slated to begin until Spring of 2020, noting this Board is considerably ahead with the new project.
- That she is appreciative of Commissioner Kyle Grove for lending the County an air conditioning unit for the server room. The borrowed unit is preventing crucial equipment from overheating and failing in these high temperatures.
- That Stacey DeMoines, Chief Deputy Treasurer, is doing a great job in the absence of the Treasurer.

**Commissioner Reports by District –**

**Commissioner Kyle Grove reported:**

- That his meetings for the month are starting tomorrow.
- On spending his 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday at his cabin on Munising Bay.

**Commissioner Taylor reported:**

- That he has also had a slow couple of weeks.
- On the cancellation of Monday’s meeting at Gladwin City.

- That he attended the Central Michigan Health Board meeting, commenting that there will be a budget prepared for the Board's review in August. Commissioner Taylor discussed the proposed increase that was scheduled for appropriations over the next two years. It has been reviewed to find a 1968 document that will be used to formulate the appropriations to the counties, netting a \$2,000 savings to the County over the next two years.

**Commissioner Vernier reported:**

- On his attendance at the CMDHD meeting where they continue to discuss the Time of Transfer plan. Commissioner Vernier commented that he will continue to provide the information to Gladwin County and the Townships to promote use of this program countywide.
- That he met with Commissioner Kyle Grove and Holly Stearns from Stearns Marketing on updates needed for the website.
- On the Billings Township meeting where they are considering a noise ordinance enforceable through the Sheriff's Department.
- On updates from the Four Lakes Task Force, commenting they are almost ready to review the proposed agreement with Midland and Gladwin Counties and assign members to their Board.
- On his continued work on the Census, noting the importance of a correct count to ensure revenues to various county agencies.
- That he attended the MMCAA meeting, stating they are still accepting applications for the weatherization program.
- On his attendance at the HSCB meeting, noting discussion of the Baby Pantry building in Beaverton.
- That he attended the Council of Local Government meeting and that he will be encouraging his Townships to attend.
- On the Community Mental Health meeting where they shared information on infant deaths and the danger of co-sleeping with parents.
- On the GABA meeting, noting they are still working on the downtown speaker system.
- That there is a fish dinner this Friday at the Knights of Columbus to benefit the backpack program.

**Chairperson Smith reported:**

- That she attended the Committee of the Whole meeting.
- On her involvement in everyday activities at the County. She is here daily to sign papers and pick up correspondence and can be available to visit departments if needed.
- That she enjoyed the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and Beaverton's festivities over the weekend.
- That she worked at the target shack at the muzzleloader shoot.
- On her attendance at the Tobacco Township meeting last night.
- That the Muzzleloader Club will be hosting the Michigan Territorial Championships through the National Muzzleloader Association during the third weekend in August.

**Commissioner Rick Grove reported:**

- That he attended the Animal Control meeting, noting all is going well.

- On his work with Branro Enterprises yesterday to coordinate the energy efficiency project. The contractors will be in the building on Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup> to begin their work.
- That he spent his 4<sup>th</sup> of July in the hay field.
- On his participation in the holiday events in Beaverton but did not stay in town for the fireworks.

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

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

*Motion by Commissioner Vernier, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to adjourn. Ayes carried, **motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m., until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on July 23, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.*



Laura Brandon-Maveal  
County Clerk



Sharron L. Smith  
Chairperson