

Commissioner Minutes of May 12, 2020

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 12, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Smith and immediately recessed until May 13, 2020 at 9:00 so that the meeting can be properly posted to the public.

Meeting in recess at 9:03 a.m.

Chairperson Smith called the recessed meeting to order on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. via "Go to Meeting" and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call found all Commissioners present.

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

The **cash balances** were read by Commissioner Taylor. *General Fund – \$14,810.45. This balance includes an advance of \$600,000 from the 210 fund.*

The regular minutes of April 28, 2020, Special Board minutes of May 7, 2020 and the Executive Session minutes of May 7, 2020 were then reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Vernier, supported by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the minutes as drafted. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Public Comments – none currently.

Communications: The Board spoke on the concerns from several business owners to open their RV parks. A response has been sent asking the business owners to contact their State Representative and Senator to resolve the issue, as the Board does not carry this authority.

Finance Matters – Commissioner Taylor:

1. Safety glass will be installed in the Construction Codes and Equalization departments prior to opening the building to the public. Two bids have been received: Millhisler - \$2,750.00 and French Builders - \$3,735.00. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Rick Grove, to approve the bid from Millhisler in the amount of \$2,750.00 from 101-426-727.001. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
2. Karee Barlow, 911 Assistant Administrator, has requested training for Dispatcher Veasna Seng. Online course "Customer Service" costs \$297.00 and will be paid from 282-000-804.001. There are no other associated costs with this training request. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to allow for the training course as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
3. Julie Jackson, Clerk's Office, has requested payment of 80 unused vacation hours per her Unit #7 contract. Total cost is \$1,686.40 and will be paid from 101-215-704.000 upon approval. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allow the Clerk to make the disbursement as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Committee Meetings: Documents received and filed by the Board:

- Committee of the Whole Minutes of May 6, 2020.
- Library Statistics of April 2020.
- Department Head Minutes of May 12, 2020.

New Business:

- Yvette Keast, Gladwin County Chamber of Commerce, had previously made a presentation on securing funding for three signs for the entrances into Gladwin County. Total cost is \$28,725.00. The Board is not able to fund any of this project but would be willing to allow for the application of a grant for a portion of the cost. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Vernier, to allow Ms. Keast to research a grant application for the purchase of three signs and to allow the Chairperson to sign the application on behalf of the county.* There will be no matching dollars spent by the county on this project. Ayes carried, **motion passed.**

Comments from the Chair: none currently.

Commissioner Reports –

Commissioner Vernier stated that he participated in the telephone conference meetings with Grim and Billings Townships and that Secord will be holding their meeting in an outdoor session on May 20, 2020. He has also participated in the following: Weekly telephone conferences with the Health Department, Mental Health Board and the Region VII Board meeting.

Commissioner Taylor commented that the Health Department has delayed their public hearing on the Point of Sale program until further notice.


Administrative Reports – Robert North, Emergency Management Director, gave the Board an update and spoke on potential reimbursement of emergency costs. The siren in Hay Township has been installed, the repeater project in Beaverton City and Gladwin City is underway and eight handheld radios have been ordered for the CERT Team.

Public Comments – none at this time.

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

Motion by Commissioner Vernier, supported by Commissioner Taylor, to adjourn. Ayes carried, **motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 9:21 a.m., until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on May 26, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. unless otherwise ordered.


Laura Brandon-Maveal
County Clerk


Sharron Smith
Chairperson