



The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met for the regular Board Meeting, on December 14, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 10:16 a.m. by Chairperson Karen Moore. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, roll called, all commissioners were present.

The Board reviewed the Consent Agenda –

Commissioner Moore asked to amend the agenda to include the City Administrators Report. Motion made by Commissioner Szuch to accept the agenda with changes, supported by Commissioner Taylor; all in favor, motion carried.

City Administrator Report

Nancy Bodner shared that the City has renewed the City Managers contract, they approved a Meeting Expense Policy and the Parks and Recreation plan. There will be a lamp lighter event the 18-25th; parking is available at the Health Department; if you would like to be a part of the event, please contact the chamber of commerce. Murals are being discussed at the city, there is a lot to do to get this approved. Bill Smith, husband of LaVel Smith, both active members in the community, has passed away; he will be missed.

Cash Balances were read by Commissioner Taylor. General Fund balance \$56,764.82 before the payment of bills.

Communications

Finance

1. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve the 2022 Budget as submitted, and to have the personnel committee, which includes Commissioners K. Grove and Szuch, do a wage study and provide a recommendation to the Board within the first quarter. Seconded by Commissioner Szuch. Additional conversation was had on wages and wage studies. All in Favor, motion carried.
2. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to Approve the ARPA fund request for 12 new AED's (Automated External Defibrillator) in the amount of \$15,540. Funds to come from ARPA line item 281-000-999.101 and go into 101-351-758.000, General Funds. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. All in Favor, motion carried.
3. Motion by Commissioner K. Grove to allow the Administrator to attend an MMRMA workshop on Feb 24, 2022 in Lansing, mileage only, in the estimated amount of \$131.04 from line item 101-101-860.000. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. All in Favor, motion carried.
4. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to pay the City of Gladwin for a portion of the tree removal at the airport in the amount of \$3,485 from line item 101-101-759.000. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove. All in Favor, motion carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner K. Grove to allow the pay-out of 70-hours of unused vacation time to Stacey Demoinés in the amount of \$1,705.55 from line item 101-253-705.000. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. All in Favor, motion carried.
6. Motion by Commissioner Szuch to approve the purchase of six Stop Sticks in the amount of \$2,804 from line item 101-301-705.000. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. All in Favor, motion carried.
7. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to allow the purchase of three tasers, training cartridges and batteries for one year in the amount of \$7,168.43, and the ongoing costs of support in the amount of \$3,993.01 per year for five years from line 101-301-705.000. Seconded by Commissioner Rick

Grove. Additional conversation was had, motion and second amended to state that the County Administrator and Undersheriff will work with MMRMA on a grant application to cover a portion of the expense. All in favor, motion carried.

Committee Meetings - approved with the approval of the Agenda.

New Business

1. Motion by Commissioner K. Gove to waive the building department fee for Buckeye Trailhead in the amount of \$468, keeping the inspections. Seconded by Commissioner Szuch. All in favor, motion carried.
2. Motion by Commissioner Moore to reappoint Bob Balzer to the EMCOG Committee for one year and examine the appointment at that time. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove. All in favor, motion carried.
3. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to reappoint Milton G. Alward to a two-year-term on the Construction Codes Board of Appeals, second by Commissioner R. Grove. All in favor, motion carried.
4. Motion to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with EMCOG by Commissioner K. Grove, seconded by Commissioner Taylor. All in favor, motion carried,
5. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to allow Chairperson Moore to sign the Opioid Settlement documents. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.
6. Motion by Commissioner Szuch to approve the resolution presented by FLTF to transfer to warranty Deed (not Quit Claim). Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove. Roll call vote, 4 -yes', motion carried.
7. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve a resolution proposed by Michigan Institute of Forensic Science and Medicine naming Roshan Mahabir as Gladwin County's Chief Medical Examiner for the remaining term ending Dec. 31, 2023. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove. Roll call vote, 5 yes'; motion carried.
8. Motion by Commissioner Moore to accept the County Vehicle Use Policy drafted by the civil attorney. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.
9. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to equalize life insurance benefits for all employees to the \$25,000/\$50,000 level. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carries.

Old Business

Chairperson Comments

Chairperson Moore reminded everyone that the Christmas Party is tomorrow from 11:00 to 1:00. She will be attending following Bill Smiths funeral service.

Board Comments

Commissioner Kyle Grove, District 1 –

Clement township meeting went well.

Butman township meeting is postponed due to illness.

Gypsy moth meeting tomorrow morning.

Other township meetings tonight and tomorrow.

Commissioner Ron Taylor, District 2 –

23rd was the Veterans Board meeting, they have drawings ready for the new memorial. Fund raising is taking place, including the raffle of two firearms.

1st was a Union Negotiation meeting.

3rd was a Budget Committee Meeting

6th was another Union Negotiation meeting and Gladwin City meeting.

8th Sage Township Meeting

9th Airport Meeting

Commissioner Michael Szuch, District 3 –

Has attended several Union negotiations meetings

FLTF quarterly meeting last Monday

Bentley and Billings meetings last night

Grim and Bourette Township meetings today

Secord Township and the Gypsy Moth program meeting tomorrow.

Commissioner Karen Moore, District 4 –

City parade was wonderful, but Santa was running late.

Beaverton had a nice Tree Lighting Ceremony

Four Lakes can propose and assessment and propose methodology, but they cannot impose an assessment. She shared information on the factors that are considered when these things are discussed.

Hazard Mitigation meeting was held here last week with EMCOG.

Redistricting is an important conversation that could have a significant impact if Gladwin and Midland counties were to be split. A press conference was held and Commissioner Moore attended to share her thoughts for the best interest of Gladwin County.

Commissioner Rick Grove, District 5 –

Beaverton Township last night. Down to three or four candidates for Fire Chief. Final stages of the renovations out there.

Have a Merry Christmas

Administrators Report –

Has been contacted by the Media in regards to a SAD, county has no comment

The Class Action Law Suit against Midland and Gladwin Counties in regards to damn failure, was dismissed.

Public Comment –

- Clerk Hulme shared congratulations to her Court Clerks, Mandy Hodge and Ashley Longstreth for passing their Certified Electronic Operators certification on the first attempt.

Commissioner Kyle Grove was excused at 11:35.

- Attorney Hoerauf reminded the board that she needed some direction on two items still.

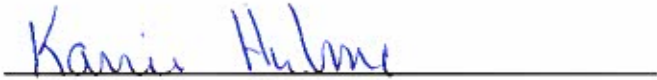
Motion by Commissioner Taylor to agree with the tentative agreement with the Dispatch Unit, seconded by Commissioner Szuch. All in favor, motion carried.

Conversation was had on proposed changes to the 2022 Board Rules.

No other Public Comment

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner R. Grove, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

All in, favor meeting adjourned.



Karrie Hulme, County Clerk



Karen Moore, Chairperson