

Commissioner Minutes of December 28, 2021

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 28, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 10:42 a.m. by Chairperson Moore and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call found all Commissioners present.

The Board reviewed the agenda with no additions or corrections to be made. *Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Szuch, to proceed with the consent agenda as prepared. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

The **cash balances** were then read by Commissioner Taylor. *General Fund - \$129,166.60 in the negative.*

Finance Matters:

1. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Szuch, to allow the County to hold the 2021 financials open until February 25, 2022, for the purpose of accruals. Ayes carried, motion passed.
2. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to allow Administration to pay all 2021 finances through end of year. Administration will provide the Board with an email of the final listing of bills to be paid for approval on 12/29/2021. Ayes carried, motion passed.
3. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Rick Grove, to approve the Special Funds for 2022 budget. Ayes carried, motion passed.
4. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to approve the Salary Schedule for 2022 with one correction to the per diem rate for Commissioners being \$30 and not \$25. Ayes carried, motion passed.
5. Motion by Commissioner Kyle Grove, supported by Commissioner Taylor, to pay out 120 hours of PTO for Charles Peters in the amount of \$2,322 payable from 101-422-704.000. Ayes carried, motion passed.
6. Motion by Commissioner Kyle Grove, supported by Commissioner Taylor, to pay \$60 on the County credit card for Christina Stickler to take her CEO exam in Lansing on 3/14/2022, payable from 101-148-801.000. Ayes carried, motion passed.
7. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to transfer \$438,000 to General Fund 101-000-001.000 to cover 2021 shortfalls, as follows: \$288,000 from ARPA Funds 281-000-001.000 and \$150,000 from Unallocated Tax 516-000-001.000. Ayes carried, motion passed.
8. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, authorizing Emergency Manager to purchase equipment for \$42,220.28 from ARPA funds, with the amount 100% reimbursed upon proof of purchase from EMPG. Ayes carried, motion passed.
9. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to approve additional funding up to \$175,000 for the 292 Child Care fund. Transfer from Unallocated to General Fund and then increase appropriation from General Fund to Child Care Fund, as follows: DR \$175,000 292-000-001.000/CR \$175,000 292-000-699.101 and DR \$175,000 101-965-998.292/CR \$175,000 101-000-001.000. Ayes carried, motion passed.

New Business:

1. Motion by Commissioner Szuch, supported by Commissioner Taylor, to set the 2022 Organizational Meeting for Thursday, January 6, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. Ayes carried, motion passed.
2. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Szuch, to approve the recommendation by MMRMA to utilize High Caliber Auto for the repairs of \$7,904.49 to patrol vehicle 26-13 that was damaged in a car/deer accident 12/12/2021, with the County responsible for the \$1,000 deductible and MMRA covering the balance. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Chair Comments:

Chairperson Moore thanked everyone for their attendance and work on the Courthouse Christmas party, especially Commissioner Taylor's wife who made special potatoes just for her.

Commissioner Reports by District –**Commissioner Kyle Grove reported:**

- He attended the Gladwin Township meeting and Treasurer Klamer and Assessor Bernie Weaver expressed their concerns over the tax bill printing with no bar codes and the Equalization Director not really taking any responsibility for the error.

Commissioner Taylor reported:

- He attended the Health Department meeting on the 15th which was interesting. There was talk that it just wasn't COVID causing employee shortages; it was everywhere.
- He attended the City of Gladwin meeting on the 19th which was very short because they were conducting their audit.
- He attended the Veterans meeting on the 19th where there was discussion on the new memorial and starting fundraisers for the construction.
- He commented on the Union negotiations and the teams working on these was the best ever and Jaynie was on top of her game. Also, Commissioner Szuch was very helpful with suggestions.

Commissioner Szuch: Nothing to report.

Chairperson Moore reported:

- It was very slow with the holidays.
- She attended the Health Department meeting and there was discussion on the Point of Sale with Isabella County and it seemed very helpful.
- The Beaverton Fire Department will be announcing the hiring of their new Chief on Monday.

Commissioner Rick Grove reported:

- He attended the Zoning meeting.
- Grout Township is doing good; there's not a lot going on there.
- Beaverton City had their meeting, but he had to leave early and Chairperson Moore filled in for him. The City Administrator has taken a new job with the schools so they are looking to fill his vacancy.

Administrator Report:

Mark will get the ad in the paper for extending the filing deadline to receive ARPA funds and there is a new law enforcement grant they are looking into for hiring deputies.

Public Comments:

There were none at this time.

Legal:

1. The Board Rules for 2022 will be changed to eliminate the COW meetings, public comments will now be at the beginning and the end of the Board meetings with a 3 minute limit, and a Resolution will be adopted to keep the Board Chair on a one year term for 2022 and look at changing this for 2023.
2. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Szuch, to go into executive session to discuss Union negotiations. Roll call vote as follows: Kyle Grove -yes, Taylor -yes, Moore – yes, Rick Grove – yes, Szuch - yes. 5 yes, 0 no. Ayes carried, motion passed to go into closed session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 11:30 – 11:45 a.m.


Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Moore, to return to regular session. Ayes carried, motion passed.

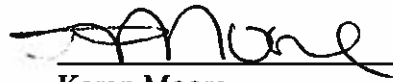
Commissioner Szuch had to leave.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to accept the tentative agreement with the Deputies. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, supported by Commissioner Kyle Grove, to accept the tentative agreement reached with UAW Units 6 and 7. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Motion by Commissioner Kyle Grove, supported by Commissioner Taylor, to adjourn. Ayes carried, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m., until the Organizational Board meeting on Thursday, January 6, 2022, unless otherwise ordered.


Julie A. Jackson
Deputy Clerk


Karen Moore
Chairman