



Gladwin County Board of Commissioners Board Minutes, May 18, 2022

Kyle Grove, District 1, (Sherman, Butman, Clement, Gladwin Twp.)
Ron Taylor, District 2, Vice-Chairperson (Sage and Gladwin City)
Michael Szuch District 3, (Bentley, Billings, Bourret, Grim & Secord)
Karen Moore, District 4, Chairperson (Buckeye, Hay & Tobacco)
Rick Grove, District 5, (Grout, Beaverton City, Beaverton)

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met for a Special Board Meeting, on May 18, 2022, to review ARPA Project Requests. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Karen Moore. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, roll was called, Commissioner Szuch was absent, all other commissioners were present.

Attorney Hoerauf, in preparation for an anticipated July 12th meeting with Midland County regarding Four Lakes Task Force (FLTF), presented a shortened version of the FLTF Financial Statement and Auditors Report, along with the longer version of the technical memorandum. Conversation was had on the amount of communication between four lakes task force and the board.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner K. Grove. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business

1. A discussion was had on complications following a power surge at the Health Department, along with the need to replace some emergency fire equipment. Motion by commissioner Taylor to approve the replacement of an existing fire alarm control panel and smoke detector in the amount of \$3,607.02 from line item 101-265-930.002, and for the Administrator to see if there are any eligible insurance reimbursements; Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove. All in favor, motion carried.
2. A written request was made by Commissioners Moore and Taylor to have a joint meeting with Midland County on July 12, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. to the County Clerk.
3. ARPA Presentations to the Board

Historical Imaging of Documents

Register of Deeds (ROD) Ann Manning presented her request to digitalize Historical Documents. She explained the process and how COVID highlighted the benefit that online access to these records would have to the community and the ROD Office. Cost of \$0.16 per image, total project request \$25,000.

Gladwin County Road Commission Lost Revenues

Road Commission Director Dave Pettersch explained the lost revenues for the Road Commission during COVID. He explained the total loss roughly \$500,000, and that they were anticipating a reimbursement of approximately \$190,000.00 in Federal Aid. They are seeking the balance of \$310,000.

Gladwin County Road Commission COVID 19 Expense Reimbursement

Road Commission Director Dave Pettersch explained the additional expenses paid out for costs associated with COVID 19. They are asking \$48,253.31 for reimbursement of these costs.

Weber Road Paving Project

Dave Pettersch and Bob Weaver discussed the increased traffic, deteriorating condition, and increased complaints of Weber Rd. Conversation was had over the valuation of the project in reference to what portion will be paid for by whom (the Township, Road Commission & County ARPA funds). Dave will follow up with specific details. Current anticipated cost for the entire project is \$1,000,000, requesting ARPA Funds in the amount of \$250,000.

Gladwin County Deputies Association

Union Representative Doug Wortley shared the increased risks to Road Patrol Deputies during COVID and explained the Risk Control Classification that was used to prepare this request. Conversation was had on the increased wage that the deputies already received during covid. Total request being made of \$55,000.

Sherman Township Hall Project

John Jurgenson, Township Supervisor, shared an overview of the project request and indicated that some general funds and 100% of the Townships ARPA funds would be contributed to the project in addition to the requested funds from the County. Treasurer Jean Jurgenson explained the townships inability to complete the project on their own, and Clerk Kay Whalen discussed how the project renovations would positively impact not only the residents, but the surrounding community. Discussion was had on uses for a renovated building, and possible stages of the process. Total project cost is estimated at \$387,560, requesting County ARPA Funds in the amount of \$275,000.

Collaborative Marketing Campaign

Scott Govitz, with Mid Michigan College's Work Force & Economic Development program, President of the Beaverton Activity Center, and former Chairperson of the DDA, gave a brief description of some economic projects and grants issued in the City of Beaverton, as well as the anticipated economic impacts that a Collaborative Marketing project could have not only on Beaverton, but the county in whole. Discussion was had on how and where funds would be spent, and community partners. Total project request \$140,000.

Beaverton Activity Center (BAC), Fitness Center Expansion

Scott Govitz explained the start of the BAC and what the center has to offer the community. Discussion was had on community partners and BAC financials, as well as Fitness Center memberships and the need for expansion. An explanation of what the renovation would entail was given. Total request \$344,525.

Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC) Membership

Scott Govitz explained how the local Economic Development Corp. (EDC) was started, and the drive behind joining with MMDC. The membership would partner Gladwin County with Clare and Isabella, and provide a regional benefit for grant opportunities at a State level, that the County would not have otherwise. Discussion was had on economic growth in Clare County after they joined MMDC, future financial obligations for Gladwin County and MMDC Board representation if they joined.

No further business, meeting Adjourned at 12:09.



Karrie Hulme, County Clerk



Karen Moore, Chairperson