



**Gladwin County Board of Commissioners  
Board Minutes, July 26, 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 regular Board Meeting, on July 26, 2022. 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 K. Grove and Commissioner Szuch were excused, all other commissioners were present.

**Public Comment – Agenda Items**

No public comment.

**City Report**

Kimberly from the City of Beaverton shared information on the new DPW building, the grant for the trail head, bids coming in for the Farmer's Market and the Water Treatment Plant.

**The Board reviewed the Consent Agenda –**

The Board reviewed the consent agenda. Motion made by Commissioner Taylor to accept the agenda as written, seconded by Commissioner R. Grove, all in favor motion carried.

**Cash balances** were read by Commissioner Taylor. General Fund balance \$19,204,565.62 before payment of bills.

**Approval of the Board Minutes:**

1. **July 12, 2022, Regular Board Meeting**
2. **July 12, 2022, Special Board Minutes**
3. **July 12, 2022, Joint Special Meeting with Midland County**

**Communications**

None

**Finance**

1. Request approval from UAW Units 3, 4, & 5 for Board to appropriate funding from American Rescue Plan funds to cover employee wages during COVID restrictions in 2020.

There was no Motion made to support this and it will be discussed further at the next scheduled ARPA Meeting.

2. Request approval for funding county portion of local share of Federal Block Grant for lighting project at Zettel Airport.  
Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve and sign the Contract, Seconded by Commissioner R. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

3. Request approval of Finance Committee recommendation regarding Drain Commissioner employee.

Commissioner R. Gove made a motion to extend the hours through the end of the year to four days a week and change her wages to reflect the Union Contract, Seconded by Commissioner Taylor; all in favor, motion carried.

4. Request approval for year-to-date budget amendments.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to make these budget amendments that will not affect actual dollar amounts but correct to different funds, Seconded by Commissioner R. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

**Committee Meetings** were approved with the approval of the Agenda.

### **New Business**

1. Transition of Gladwin County EDC to the Middle Michigan Development Corporation. Introductions of EDC Board along with members from the MMDC Board.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to enter into an agreement with the MMDC Board, Seconded by Commissioner R. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

2. Request approval for Region VII Area Agency on Aging propose Multi-Year Plan for 2023-2025

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the multi year plan with Region VII, Seconded by Commissioner R. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

3. Request approval of lease agreement between City of Gladwin, County of Gladwin, and Gladwin Zettel Memorial Airport Commission (Lessors) and the Gladwin Business Professional Association (Lessee) for the purpose conducting 2022 "Thunder on the Strip" event.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to sign the contract for Thunder on the Strip, Seconded by Commissioner R. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

### **Chairperson Comments**

- Chairperson Moore spoke to address the following:
  - Thunder on the Strip will be September 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - The Radio Control group at the Airport on August 27<sup>th</sup> was a success, as with the fly in event.

### **Board Comments**

Commissioner Kyle Grove, District 1 –

- No comment, as he was absent.

Commissioner Ron Taylor, District 2 –

- Attended the FLTF meeting in Sanford and thanked everyone for their attendance and remaining professional in running the meeting.
- He attended the Sage Township meeting where there was discussion on surcharges for fuel being added to the garbage collection and mosquito control.
- He attended the Airport meeting and Health Department negotiations on July 14<sup>th</sup>.
- The City meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The finance meeting, Veterans meeting and Pratt and Wiggins Lake Authority meetings on July 19<sup>th</sup>.
- The Lake Improvement meetings on July 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Health Department negotiations were finished up on July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Commissioner Michael Szuch, District 3 –

- No comment, as he was absent.

Commissioner Moore, District 4 –

- Attended the Council of Local Government in Standish on July 17<sup>th</sup>.
- The Northern Michigan Association of Counties in Roscommon on July 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The FLTF meeting in Sanford.
- Will be attending the Farm Bureau meeting on July 28<sup>th</sup> at Woodland Diner.
- Attending the FLTF meeting at Secord Township tonight.
- Attended the Fair which was great except for the barn that burned but there was no loss of life or injuries.

Commissioner Rick Grove, District 5 –

- Attended the Animal Control meeting and the millage on the ballots.
- Attended Grout Township meeting.
- The Beaverton City meeting went well.
- The Airport meeting with Commissioner Taylor.
- FLTF meeting in Sanford went well with lots of positive input and he understands the negative but it seems like lots of drama.
- Attended the Fair and livestock auction and bough a pig. The Veterans set up was great.

**Administrators Report** - An ARPA meeting has been set for August 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm; tomorrow at 6 pm is the first annual employee picnic with Beaverton and Gladwin cities; the 2023 budget kickoff has started with department heads to begin their entry; the airport runway improvement may be back in planning; two new police cruisers are on the way for department use; the technology fund improvements to the Commissioners Room is underway to update speakers, microphones and the camera system; there is an upcoming meeting to get quotes on liability insurance because MMRMA prices keep increasing; and finally Units 3/4/5 negotiations have been delayed to August.

**Public Comment** -

- Joel Vernier, Secord Township, spoke on the major impact on lives since the dam breaches and thanked Gladwin County on their vote for FLTF. He then commented on cargo containers being used around the County and his dislike of them as unsightly.

-Tami O'Donnell, District 3 Commissioner candidate, commented on the great job of everyone attending the FLTF meeting in Sanford.

-Ken Roberts, Veterans Director, thanked the Commissioners for allowing his booth and attendance at the Gladwin County Fair this year and what a great turnout he had.

**Civil Attorney**

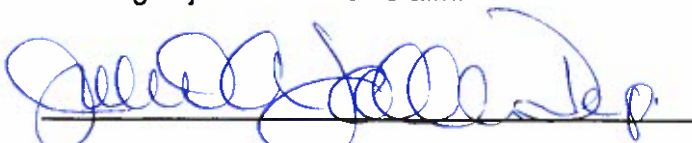
1. Closed session to discuss preliminary offer from POLC re: Sheriff Command contract.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss Sheriff Command Contract. Seconded by Commissioner R. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

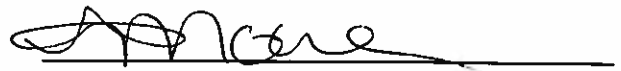
Return to Open Session at 10:42 a.m.

No other public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner R. Grove to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Taylor. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.



Julie A. Jackson, Deputy Clerk



Karen Moore, Chairperson