



**Gladwin County Board of Commissioners
Board Minutes, October 11, 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 October 11, 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 R. Grove was excused, all other commissioners were present.

Public Comment – Agenda Items

No public comment.

City Report

Nancy Bodner from the City of Gladwin shared information on the status of the Sports Complex installing a well to water the soccer fields; Bernie Weaver cutting back on duties and only assessing for the City of Gladwin; the bike purchased by the library which allows books to be checked out or given away while it is mobile to different locations.

Kimberly Hines from the City of Beaverton spoke on the water treatment plant being on schedule for the end of the year; they are still working on the Farmers Market; the dam turbine is scheduled to be up and running to generate revenue again; she thanked the Board for the ARPA funding to get their projects completed; the City had two new hires recently and are looking to hire another officer as well; they are hoping to have an open house for the new DPW building in the near future.

The Board reviewed the Consent Agenda –

The Board reviewed the consent agenda. Motion made by Commissioner Taylor to accept the agenda with changes, seconded by Commissioner K. Grove, all in favor motion carried.

Changes: Adding Terry Walters, Drain Commissioner, and Terry Brokoff, Gladwin Community Foundation, under Communications and under Finance, the addition of funding two more applicants through the academy for hire by the Sheriff Department.

Cash balances were read by Commissioner Taylor. General Fund balance \$836,507.63 before payment of bills. He congratulated the Treasurer on repaying the advance from 282 fund two months early.

Approval of the Board Minutes:

1. **September 27, 2022, Regular Board Meeting**

Communications:

1. Terry Walters, Drain Commissioner, gave an update on the work done on the drains throughout the County, his work with FLTF on the canal dredging, and the cutting of brush this fall to get the rest of the drains fixed.
2. Terry Brokoff, Gladwin Community Foundation, spoke on the various programs and scholarships offered through them and the history of the foundation.

Finance

1. Request approval for MSU Extension MOU for 2023.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the MSU Extension MOU for 2023. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

2. Request approval for EMPG grant for Emergency Manager for 2023.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve EMPG grant for Emergency Manager for 2023. Seconded by Commissioner Szuch; all in favor, motion carried.

3. Request approval for Sheriff's Department Detective James Cuddie to cash out 188 hours of accumulated PTO.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the payout of 188 hours of PTO per Union contract to James Cuddie, from line item 101-301-706.005. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

4. Request approval for Jail Administrator to recruit and hire three new Corrections Officers.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the Jail Administrator to recruit and hire three new Corrections Officers. One to fill the current vacancy, and two to fill upcoming vacancies precipitated by the retirement of one officer in mid-December and the advancement of another in January. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

5. Request for approval of 2022/2023 MACAO annual membership.

Commissioner K. Grove made a motion to approve the 2022/2023 MACAO annual membership in the amount of \$200 from line 101-101-801.000. Seconded by Commissioner Szuch; all in favor, motion carried.

6. Request approval for Corrections Sergeant Carl Gruhzit to attend FBI-Leeda Supervisor Leadership Institute.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve for Corrections Sergeant Carl Gruhzit to attend FBI-Leeda Supervisor Leadership Institute course being held in Bay City on 12/5/2022→12/9/2022. 50% to be paid through an MMRMA RAP grant. Total cost to the county of \$347.50 plus mileage and meals, to be paid from line 264-000-607.000. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

7. Request approval for use of the county's credit card for hotel costs at the Landbank conference for Treasurer VanTiem.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the use of the county's credit card for hotel costs at the Landbank conference for Treasurer VanTiem. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried.

8. Request by the Sheriff for approval of two additional candidates to be sponsored through the academy to be hired as Deputies.

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve two additional sponsors through the academy to fill upcoming Deputy vacancies. Seconded by Commissioner Szuch; all in favor, motion carried.

Committee Meetings were approved with the approval of the Agenda

New Business

1. Request approval of Resolution for Sheriff's Department – *Sheriff, Mike Shea*.

Commissioner Taylor proposed a Resolution to call upon the Legislature and Governor to make appropriations sufficient to allow local law enforcement to fully staff, train and retain law enforcement officers. Seconded by Commissioner K. Grove; all in favor, motion carried. Roll call as follows: Commissioner Szuch – yes; Commissioner K Grove – yes; Commissioner Moore – yes; Commissioner Taylor – yes; Commissioner R Grove – absent. 4 Ayes; 0 Nays; Resolution 2022-021 hereby adopted.

Chairperson Comments

- There were no Chairperson comments.

Board Comments

Commissioner Kyle Grove, District 1 –

- He would be attending the Rotary meeting Wednesday evening instead of the Clement Township meeting.
- He had no further meetings this month and they all would resume next month.

Commissioner Ron Taylor, District 2 –

- Sept. 28th the Health Board met and discussed Monkey Pox and the vaccine already produced.
- Sept. 29th attended negotiations with Sheriff Command Unit.
- Oct. 3rd the Wiggins Lake Improvement Board met and discussed the purchase of chemicals for weed treatment at a highly discounted price.
- Also Oct. 3rd was the Gladwin City meeting.
- Oct. 7th he attended the meeting with Ogemaw County, Gladwin County Clerk, Treasurer and Register of Deeds to discuss administrator duties and the implementation.

Commissioner Michael Szuch, District 3 –

- Sept. 29th negotiations with Sheriff Command.
- Oct. 10th the Bentley Township and Billings Township meetings.
- Oct. 11th Grim Township and Bourret Township meetings.

Commissioner Karen Moore, District 4 –

- Oct. 7th attended the Buckeye trailhead ribbon cutting.
- Attended the Health Department meeting.
- There are continuation conversations with the provider that picked up Gladwin County for broadband services and getting this implemented.
- She has communicated with GBPA to get Thunder on the Strip as a twice a year event again.
- Sept. 15th was the Wixom Lake Improvement Board meeting; there were a couple test spots sprayed for weed control in the canals that were successful.

- Tobacco Township has been doing a lot of weed cutting using their ARPA funds.
- Secord and Smallwood are waiting on communication from EGLE to continue.
- Oct. 11th is a FLTF meeting at Swanton Hall in Edenville.
- Oct. 20th there will be a FLTF symposium at Midland Center for the Arts.

Commissioner Rick Grove, District 5, was absent.

Administrators Report - Mark Justin spoke on the numbers received from MESSA and their 9.5% increase in rates, but they are getting input from another group that offers the same coverages; he has been gathering information on the Opioid settlement to see if Gladwin County will receive any money; Jenna from the Chamber has resigned effective Oct. 13th; he attended a three day Communications seminar with the County Clerk; the meeting with Ogemaw County went very well and they are looking at possible quarterly meetings in the future; the Gypsy Moth Program is moving forward and Chris is collaborating with Bay County on spraying; the flu shot clinic was held but only had 6 participants.

Public Comment -

- Ken Roberts, Veterans Office, introduced his new hire, Jamie McCoy, who then filled in the Board on a little of his background. They both thanked the Board for their continued support of their services.

-Joel Vernier, Secord Township, informed the Board of their continued efforts on removal of Cottonwood trees around the sandbars but the residents are responsible for their own weed removal from their seawall out 40 feet. He also wanted to make people aware of weatherization grants for windows, doors, roofs, furnaces, etc.

-Sheriff Shea thanked the Veterans Office for their continued great work and also the Board for their support on his Resolution and the extra academy sponsors.

Civil Attorney

1. GCSD Command CBA Update
2. POAM Request

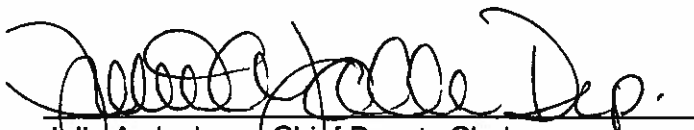
Civil Counsel requested a Closed Session meeting to address the Command contract and POAM request. Motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Szuch to enter into Closed Session at 10:47 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner K Grove, Seconded by Commissioner Szuch to return to Open Session at 10:56 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor to not reopen the Deputy Union Contract and to go to mediation with the Command Unit, Seconded by Commissioner Szuch, ayes carried, motion passed.

No other public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Szuch to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner K Grove, meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.


Julie A. Jackson, Chief Deputy Clerk


Karen Moore, Chairperson