

Commissioner Minutes of March 23, 2010

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session March 23, 2010. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Vice-Chairman Rhode. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call found all Commissioners present, except Chairman Whittington who had been excused.

Agenda – no correction or additions.

Vice-Chairman Rhode stated that this meeting has been scheduled as the statutory Equalization meeting, and because of the Equalization Director being out of state on a family emergency, the meeting would be recessed until April 13, 2010.

The Regular minutes of March 9, 2010 were then considered. *Motion by Commissioner Walters, supported by Commissioner Reid, to approve the minutes as presented. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

The **cash balances** for the General Fund and the Judicial Management Fund were then read. *General Fund - \$65,899.96 231 Fund - \$75,806.04.*

The **semi-monthly Finance report totaling \$79,529.82** was then considered for payment. *Motion by Commissioner Posey, supported by Commissioner Carl, to approve the bills for payment as presented. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Public Comments –

Rebekah Townsend, Chairman of the Gladwin County Parks and Recreation Area, came before the Board with a letter of request to keep the lodge open. Ms. Townsend read the letter to the Board, explaining ways to keep the lodge open with efforts from volunteers. Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Carl, to allow the Parks and Recreation committee permission to operate the park under the conditions stated in Ms. Townsend's letter. Discussion. Commissioner Carl questioned the times the park would be open and who would be responsible to close the park after rentals. Commissioner Smith discussed that the deposit would be used to guarantee proper cleaning of the lodge, or that it would be kept and the volunteer would be responsible for cleaning. Discussion of separation of funds, and maintaining a cost neutral plan to the County. Commissioners Smith and Carl withdrew their motion and support. Commissioner Carl suggested that a member of Park and Recreation met with the Building and Grounds committee so that all the "wrinkles" could be ironed out. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Posey, to give permission to the Park and Recreation committee to re-open the Park for rentals effective May 1st, after a clarification meeting with the Building & Grounds committee. Ayes carried, motion passed. Commissioner Rhode voting no.

Gina Conrad, Gypsy Moth, reminded the Board that the Farm Show is today.

Correspondence from the Chairman – none at this time.

Frank Starkweather, EDC Director, came before the Board and presented them with a 2010 CEDS list for approval. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Reid, supported by Commissioner Carl, to adopt the list as the "official" 2010 CEDS list for Gladwin County. Mr. Starkweather handled questions from the Board. Ayes carried, motion passed. Commissioner Carl then asked for an update on Roll Right. Mr. Starkweather gave a briefing on the products made and the marketing structure being put into place. Discussion. Commissioner Carl noted that now would be the time to re-present to the Townships their interest in EDC for 2011.

Reverend Karen Blatt came before the Board as a *member of the Gladwin County Chamber of Commerce Board* to discuss the "merger" with EDC. Reverend Blatt spoke about the Chamber Mission Statement and the fact that the Chamber in Gladwin doesn't endorse candidates; which has been a concern for some Commissioners. Reverend Blatt stated that the clear mission is to be non-partisan and serve the public. Discussion on past candidate issues. Commissioner Carl stated his concern from his Townships that they were already being asked to partially fund EDC, GIS, Uniform Addressing, Household Hazardous Waste, noting that he felt it was improper to designate monies passed by the Townships for EDC to be used for EDC / Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Carl further stated that he had emailed the Michigan Association of Counties and received a reply from their legal council as follows: "You cannot merge a public and private organization. You can however contact one to assist the other on their respective tasks." Commissioner Carl then provided a copy of the e-mail to Reverend Blatt for her review. Reverend Blatt ended with saying that the issue is only being explored and this needs to be about helping each other.

Lauren Essenmacher, City County Transit, brought before the Board a stimulus contract for two busses and a computerized dispatch program. Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Walters, supported by Commissioner Posey, to allow the Chairman to sign the contract as presented.* Roll call vote as follows: Walters – yes, Carl – yes, Rhode – yes, Reid – yes, Posey – yes, Smith – yes, Whittington – excused. 6 yes, 1 excused. **Ayes carried, motion passed.** Ms. Essenmacher then gave an update on Council on Aging. Commissioner Carl asked if 2-1-1 was having an impact on her staff. Ms. Essenmacher stated that there has been some activity, but they are working to educate so that calls are being directed properly.

Commissioner Reid then opened the sealed bids for the Sheriff vehicle that was advertised for sale. Rick Ghent - \$401.00 Leo Gary - \$510.00 Frank Grimes - \$785.00. *Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Smith, to accept the bid from Frank Grimes for \$785.00. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Committee Reports

Commissioner Smith reported-

1. On attending the Beaverton City Council meeting on March 15th. Ross Lake is not going to be lowered to complete the final dam project, noting that it had been rumored.

- On attending the Butman Township meeting on the 11th, thanking Gina Conrad for her GIS presentation.
- On the Personnel meeting with the Judges, Mr. Schlese, and Attorney Stoker to discuss the Facilitator position. Several Commissioners commented on their feelings. Commissioner Rhode commented on discussions to hire a Budget Director, and to refer the matter to Personnel to draft a job description.
- On attending the Michigan Works meeting in West Branch with Commissioner Rhode.
- That he will be attending the CMDHD meeting tomorrow.
- That there will be a Data meeting on Friday.
- That the Clement Township Supervisor, Bob Doke, has passed away.

Commissioner Carl then asked the Board to consider allowing Commissioner Smith to take his place on Personnel and he would take her place on County Affairs as they had talked and they were agreeable. Commissioner Carl asked if a motion to do this was necessary. Vice-Chairman Rhode stated as long as both parties were agreeable and the Board was not opposed. No Board comment was made.

Commissioner Reid reported:

- On attending the Sherman Township meeting to answer EDC and ORV questions. Ms. Conrad passed out revised maps, noting that Sargent Road was removed in the Northwest corner. Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Reid, supported by Commissioner Posey, to post the revised ORV map effective April 1st, after the March 30th deadline to the Townships.* Ayes carried, **motion passed.**
- On attending the Secord Township meeting on the 17th, noting things are going well.
- On the Building and Grounds meeting, commenting that the 3rd floor vault is being repainted and cleaned, the office will be back in before the week's end, and the Register of Deeds office is working on quotes for the water damaged books.
- That the **Energy Grant Bids** are due back by March 30th and the Consortium meets on April 2nd. Commissioner Reid stated that Building and Grounds will meet on March 31st to review bids, but would like a formal meeting before the 2nd to accept the bid for a contractor. *Motion by Commissioner Walters, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow the committee to choose a contractor and spend up to \$25,000 toward the project; with formal approval at the Board meeting of April 13th.* Ayes carried, **motion passed.**
- On the request from **Zeitz daycare to use a portion of the County grounds** behind the "dance studio" for playground equipment. Discussion of Jacobson's opinion for use of County property. *Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow Attorney Jacobson to draft a lease agreement with the property to be used within State laws.* Ayes carried, **motion passed.** Commissioner Rhode voting no.
- On the spreadsheet of events for Gladwin County that needs to be referred to the Data committee for it's uploading to the County website.

Commissioner Rhode reported:

2. That she attended the Parks and Rec committee on March 18th, and the following information is being requested:
 - a. Rick Seebeck reported that the telephone poles have been delivered that will be used to complete trail construction and access. The committee is requesting Rick be granted **permission to use the large tractor** that is stored on the grounds to move these poles to the needed location. Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Posey, to put the concept of leasing equipment to Mr. Seebeck into Building and Grounds for their review and recommendation to the Board. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
 - b. The grant has been written and submitted for a snowmobile and groomer for use on the grooming of trails next winter. The results of this grant will be reported when known.
 - c. The committee is asking to be allowed to install a “**Doggie Park**”. Free fencing is available. *Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Walters, to refer the matter to Building and Grounds for their review. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

3. On attending the NMSAS meeting, noting that Gladwin County had a total of 190 admissions for treatment in 2009. Commissioner Smith stated that she found it very interesting and that she had brought back a printed annual report that may be copied for each Commissioner.

Commissioner Walters reported:

- On attending the Sage Township meeting on the 10th, noting that the Board has requested that Mr. Starkweather come back to answer EDC questions.
- On the Sherman Township meeting held on the 16th.
- On attending the Democratic meeting on the 17th.
- On attending the Mental Health meeting, noting Regional Director of Finance, Jim House, passed away. Commissioner Walters asked that the Board’s thoughts be with Mr. House’s family at this time.
- On the Veterans meeting held on the 9th, noting Commissioner Rhode attended. There will be a Memorial Wall presentation at the next Board meeting. Commissioner Walters then read the Veterans who had passed since their last meeting: Charles Taylor – WWII, Gladwin City Donald Davis – Korean, Beaverton Township Loren Smith – Korean, Grout Township. Commissioner Walters then reported that Marine Corporal Jacob Turbett of Canton was killed in Afghanistan on February 13th.

Commissioner Posey reported:

- On attending the Finance meeting on the 19th.

Commissioner Carl reported:

- On attending the Bourret Township meeting on the 9th.
- On the Clement Township meeting on the 10th.

- On attending the Health Summit and discussion of Education, Transportation, and Finance.
- On the ECMCLG meeting and current projects going on.
- On the Health and Human Services meeting and the stats received from 2-1-1.
- On attending the Finance meeting on the 19th.

Finance Matters –

1. Bob Frei, IT Director, has submitted a bill of **\$2,424.00** for the County's **anti-virus subscription**. If approved, purchase to come from 101-258-815.002. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Carl, to allow for the purchase as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
2. The Equalization Director has requested that her part-time clerk be allowed to work and extra 1.5 hours/day for three days while she is out of town on a family emergency. The Finance committee approved this request already since the extra hours took place on March 19, 22, 23.
3. Christy VanTiem, County Treasurer, requested that she be allowed to **change credit card processing companies** in order to save the user 2.05% in fees. *Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Posey, to allow the Treasurer to change companies as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Public Comments-

Charles Screws, Eagleson Road resident, spoke to the Board about the closing of the Park area and the amount of use it receives from the public. Discussion. Commissioner Smith gave Mr. Screws the dates and times of the Parks and Recreation meetings so that he may attend. Discussion.

Christy VanTiem, County Treasurer, asked that she be allowed to **advance funds from the 275 and Unallocated** in the event that General Fund has a "cash flow" issue. *Motion by Commissioner Posey, supported by Commissioner Carl, to allow the transfer of funds as needed through 2010, and to be paid back to the funds by December 31, 2010. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Ray Hartwell, Undersheriff, inquired how fast the energy grant project would be starting. Commissioner Reid stated it should be within two months.

Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Reid, to receive and file various reports and correspondence. Ayes carried, motion passed.

The Board then recessed at 11:15 a.m. until April 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.

Gladwin City-County Transit



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RESOLUTION OF INTENT

Resolution# 2010-004

The following resolution was offered by Walters

And supported by Posey

Be it resolved, that the County of Gladwin does hereby approve the proposed Contract submitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Be it resolved that Bill Rhodes, Board Vice Chairman and Lauren Essenmacher, Executive Director be authorized and directed to execute Contract No. 2007-0211 Project No. 109373, Auth No. Z12 for and on behalf of the County of Gladwin.

Resolution Declared Adopted.

CERTIFIED

Laura Brandon-Maveal
Laura Brandon-Maveal
County Clerk

3-23-2010
Date

Date: January 27, 2010
Agreement No.: 2007-0211
Authorization No.: Z12
Project No.: 109373
Agenda: SAB



**PROJECT AUTHORIZATION
GLADWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FY 2010 SECTION 5311 CAPITAL
ARRA NONURBANIZED AREA FORMULA**

This information is required by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) in order to record agreement of utilization of funds provided by the Federal Transit Administration, United States Department of Transportation and MDOT. The funds provided shall be used by the AGENCY in accordance with the above referenced Master Agreement.

Authorization Effective Date:

Authorization Expiration Date: Three years from the effective date of the authorization

Fiscal Year of Effective Contract Clauses: 2010

The Federal Grant associated with the PROJECT AUTHORIZATION is MI-86-X002.
Grant Year: 2010 Federal Item Number: WK0051 Project is not R&D.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for the Federal Transit Administration Formula Grants for Other Than Urbanized Areas Program is 20.509.

The Special Section 5333(b) Warranty for Section 5311 can be found at:
www.dol.gov/dol/esa/public/regs/compliance/olms/13factsheet.htm.

The AGENCY agrees to prepare and furnish to the DEPARTMENT an annual milestone report for Section 5311. Reports are due 20 days after the end of the fiscal year.

Special American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Provisions

Reporting

To ensure that the DEPARTMENT meets the requirements of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 each AGENCY is required to submit financial, milestone and employment information quarterly. Failure to comply with the reporting requirements under ARRA will jeopardize the DEPARTMENT'S continued receipt of ARRA funding. Accordingly, if

an AGENCY fails to comply with ARRA reporting requirements, the DEPARTMENT may withhold payments until compliance is achieved. If the DEPARTMENT is compelled to incur costs because of such a breach, the amount of those costs may be deducted from payments otherwise to be made under this project authorization.

Segregation of Costs

The AGENCY shall segregate obligations and expenditures of ARRA funds from other funding. No part of funds made available under ARRA may be commingled with any other funds or used for a purpose other than that of making payments for costs allowable under the ARRA.

Timely Expenditure of Funds

The timely delivery of ARRA projects is critical. The expectation is that all funds will be obligated within a year. If funds are not obligated within two years, the DEPARTMENT may deobligate the funds. The DEPARTMENT will not approve an extension of the project authorization if funds are not obligated within two years.

Publication

The AGENCY shall include the recovery logo on all signage or other publications in connection with the activities funded by ARRA. Guidance will be provided by the DEPARTMENT.

Buy Michigan Preference

A preference shall be given to products manufactured or services offered by Michigan-based firms if all other things are equal and if consistent with federal statute.

Prohibition on Use of Funds

None of the funds made available under this contract may be used for any casino or other gambling establishment, aquarium, zoo, golf course, swimming pools or similar projects.

Funding of Programs

Programs supported with temporary federal funds made available by ARRA will not be continued with state financed appropriations once the temporary federal funds are expended.

Conflicting Requirements

Where ARRA requirements conflict with existing state requirements, ARRA requirements control.

Job Opportunity Posting Requirements

The AGENCY shall post notice of job opportunities created in connection with activities funded in whole or in part with ARRA funds in the Michigan Talent Bank, www.michworks.org/mtb.

Whistle Blower Protection for Recipients of Funds

The AGENCY shall not discharge, demote or otherwise discriminate against an employee for disclosures by the employee that the employee reasonably believes are evidence of: 1) gross mismanagement of a contract or grant relating to Covered Funds; 2) a gross waste of Covered Funds; 3) a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety related to the implementation or use of Covered Funds; 4) an abuse of authority related to implementation or use of Covered Funds; or 5) a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to an AGENCY contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant, awarded or issued relating to Covered Funds. In this Subsection, "Covered Funds" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Section 1553(g)(2) of Division A, Title XV of the ARRA.

- a. The AGENCY must post notice of the rights and remedies available to employees under Section 1553 of Division A, Title XV of the ARRA. A poster can be found at: <http://www.recovery.gov/sites/default/files/Whistleblower+Poster.pdf>
- b. The AGENCY shall include the substance of this clause including this paragraph (b) in all subcontracts.

Inspection of Records

The AGENCY shall permit the United States Comptroller General or his representative or the appropriate inspector general appointed under Section 3 or 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1998 or his representative to: 1) examine any records that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, this contract, and 2) interview any officer or employee of the AGENCY or any of its subcontractors/subgrantees regarding the activities funded with funds appropriated or otherwise made available by the ARRA.

Integrity

The AGENCY agrees that all data it submits to the DEPARTMENT in compliance with ARRA will be accurate, objective, and of the highest integrity.

Subrecipient Requirements

The AGENCY shall include these terms, including this requirement, and applicable Contract Clauses in any of its subcontracts or subgrants in connection with projects funded in whole or part with funds available under ARRA.

Further Requirements

The AGENCY agrees to comply with applicable future Federal requirements that may be imposed on the use of ARRA funds.


<u>Item</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Revenue vehicles:</u>		
Two <30 ft diesel replacement buses (819)	\$234,669	\$234,669
Access control system (822)	10,000	10,000
Computerized dispatch (827)	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Total	\$269,669	\$269,669

Funding source:

2009/75099 \$269,669 (F)

PRF No.: 2010-153

GLADWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



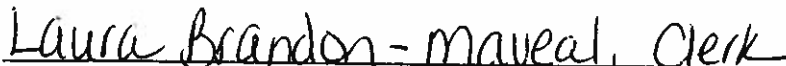
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