

Commissioner Minutes of April 10, 2012

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session April 10, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Reid. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call found all Commissioners present.

The items bolded from the consent agenda were then reviewed by the Board. *Motion by Commissioner Walters, supported by Commissioner Carl, to approve the consent agenda as drafted. Ayes carried, **motion passed.***

The **cash balances** for the General Fund were then read by Commissioner Rhode. *General Fund - \$49,012.07. This balance was after payment of the bi-weekly payroll and an advance of \$370,000 from Unallocated. Several Board members spoke about the need of formulating a plan to be able to fund bills and payroll through July 2012.*

Public Comments – none at this time.

Carol Brubaker, City County Transit, came before the Board with a **Project Authorization and Resolution for 5311 Operating**. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Carl, to accept the project and execute the contract by resolution. Roll call as follows: Walters – yes, Carl – yes, Rhode – yes, Reid – yes, Birgel – yes, Smith – yes, Whittington – yes. 7 yes, 0 no. **Resolution 2012-004 declared adopted.***

Old Business – none at this time.

New Business – none at this time.

Communication from the Chairman –

- The Management Agreement with the Seebeck Family Foundation, Inc. and insurance documents have been signed.
- A letter was drafted and sent to Supervisor Walt Hart from Sherman Township regarding the participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.
- There have been several letters drafted from the Finance Committee that he has signed.
- The Data Chair will be opening IT Bids later in the meeting.

Board Member comments –

Commissioner Walters commented on the draft for the **Floodplain Management Provisions for Construction Codes** that has been reviewed and needs Board action. Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow the Chairman to sign the ordinance with the understanding that the Townships may have to enter into the agreement again and sign at a later date. Ayes carried, **motion passed.*** There will be a meeting held at Gladwin High School on Thursday for Sherman Township residents from 6-8 pm. Commissioner Walters noted that he has spoken to the

Drain Commissioner about opening the Chappel Dam for canoeing and kayaking after the fencing project is complete and that pictures of the Parks and Rec grounds will be taken soon.

Veterans Lost – Bruce Simmons, Buckeye Township – Vietnam. Royal Hill, Billings Township - Air Force.

The State needs a replacement for Bill Babcock on the Disabled Veterans list.

Commissioner Walters then announced that his son Dominic is home from Afghanistan on leave. Several Commissioners thanked Dominic for his service and dedication to his Country.

Commissioner Carl spoke on an e-mail received from MSU on a proposal to update the basement. Commissioner Carl noted concern on the funding for the project and asked that MSU put the proposal in writing with budget lines for payment. Commissioner Carl attended the Anniversary party for Commissioner Smith and her husband, commenting that it was a nice party and well attended. Commissioner Carl stated that he would be leaving for vacation on Friday through the end of the month.

Commissioner Rhode

Finance Matters

1. **The Lease for the Rental of the Health Department** has been re-written to accommodate an increase to the lease amount from \$8.50 per square foot (\$72,250 annually) to \$11.76 per square foot (\$99,960 annually) and custodial services on Monday – Thursday for approximately 4 hours per day. The lease will be give to the Health Department for their review and consideration at a meeting this afternoon. Per the acceptance of the lease, the Board should take action to allow the Chairman to sign the new Lease with the Health Department and allow for the hiring of a 28 hour/week custodian. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Walters, to allow the Chairman to sign the contract upon the acceptance of the Health Department and to hire a 28 hour/week custodian.* Roll call vote as follows: Carl – yes, Rhode – yes, Reid – yes, Birgel – yes, Smith – yes, Whittington – yes, Walters – yes. 7 yes, 0 no. Ayes carried, **motion passed.**
2. Ann Manning, Register of Deeds, has requested that the Board authorize the deposit of all **Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae funding** for transfer tax into an escrow account and that line item **701-000-228.045** be established. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Smith, to establish the revenue line item as furnished.* Ayes carried, **motion passed.**
3. Gina Conrad, Gypsy Moth Coordinator, has submitted a **Letter of Agreement for a title change and increase of pay for her position in Unit #7** (this document will be in your Board packet). A motion is needed to accept the terms of the agreement and allow the Chairman to sign the document upon Union approval. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow the title change and pay increase.* Discussion. Commissioner Carl commented that Gina does a great job, but doesn't feel this action sends a good message to the Departments after having just received a letter regarding spending. Many

Commissioners commented that it is “a bad time”, but noting Gina’s efforts and supporting her work. Discussion. Roll call vote as follows: Rhode – yes, Reid – no, Birgel – no, Smith – yes, Whittington – no, Walters – no, Carl – no. 2 yes, 5 no. **Motion failed.**

4. The County Treasurer has given the Board a copy of the **2011 Investment Report** for their review. Commissioner Rhode noted it is very informative and that each Commissioner should take the time to review it.
5. Darrell Schlese, Circuit Court Administrator, has requested permission to purchase a **fire proof file cabinet for Probate Court**. The Finance committee has made the recommendation that Probate Court can spend up to \$1800 on the cabinet, but would ask if the purchase is made after June. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Walters, to allow for the purchase. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
6. Sue Walker, Sheriff’s Office, has requested to attend **SOR training** on May 4th in Lowell, MI. There is no cost for the training, but would require 1 night of lodging at \$65.00 and meal costs. Cost to be paid from 101-351-804.000 upon approval. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow for the training as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
7. Sheriff Shea has requested to attend the **Summer Sheriff’s Conference June 10-12 at Crystal Mountain Resort**. Registration is \$275.00 and 2 nights of lodging would be needed. If approved, total costs can be taken from 101-301-860.000. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow for the training as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
8. Discussion on **hiring freeze (June 29, 2011)** and hiring of employees without co-employers during interview process. Commissioner Rhode added that the hiring policy within the personnel policy be followed and that departments need to be aware that they must have Board action before hiring new employees.
9. In the Board packet there is a resolution from Stoker regarding the **Courts Health Care**. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Walters, to adopt the resolution for Court Health Care.* Discussion. Commissioner Whittington commented that the Board should not be voting on an area that has not been clarified by the State. Chairman Reid noted that the Courts are being informed of one side and the County will be told something different. This is a state wide issue that needs a response to show that Gladwin County has an issue. Roll call vote as follows: Reid – yes, Birgel – yes, Smith – yes, Whittington – no, Walters – yes, Carl – yes, Rhodes – yes. 6 yes, 1 no. Ayes carried, motion passed. **Resolution 2012-005 declared adopted.**

Commissioner Rhode commented that the Uniform Addressing committee would start working together again soon.

Leo Gary, Emergency Management Director, asked to attend the **Spring Conference in Grand Rapids May 2-4, 2012**. The costs are reimbursable through Homeland Security, but would need to be paid by the County in advance. *Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to allow for the training costs as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Commissioner Whittington spoke on attending the Bentley and Billings Township meetings last night, noting that the Road Commission did a presentation. Commissioner Whittington stated that he also attended the Airport and 911 Committee meetings.

Commissioner Smith commented on attending the Tobacco Township meeting last night where they talked about the Music Festival. This Friday there will be a benefit dinner for Kirsten Longstreth at Beaverton High School from 5-8 pm with a pop can drive on Saturday from 12-3 pm. Commissioner Smith read the Library report for the month of March commenting on the use of the facility and the computers, noting it is an excellent use of millage funding. The Data committee has sent letters for request for bids for supplemental IT Services. Three bids have been received and these companies will be interviewed on April 19th. Commissioner Smith opened the **“Intent to Submit Proposals” from the following three companies: Site Services, IT Right, and SPI Innovations.** Commissioner Smith then thanked everyone who attended her anniversary party, noting it was beyond her expectations and a lot of fun.

Commissioner Birgel stated that he had attended the Grout and Beaverton Township meetings and the Fair Board meeting; which he found very interesting. Commissioner Birgel commented on attending the anniversary party and what a nice time he had. Commissioner Birgel informed the Board that Joe Sprague had shown interest in the ZBA committee vacancy and would like to be considered for the appointment. Commissioner Birgel commented that he has had a lot of questions and interest from the public on where the County is going and is preparing himself by catching up on the Board events from the past year.

Commissioner Reid commented that he had sent a letter to Judge Evans on the use of the Law Library asking for a response or his items would be moved on May 1st. MAC has provided discussion and concern with Revenue Sharing and the Courts and the Personal Property Tax, noting that the County is waiting to see how the State will move forward. Commissioner Reid has spoken to Judge Mienk on the installation of a “dashboard” for the Courts and who will be responsible for placing the data on the dashboard for public viewing.

Chairman Reid then read a letter of **resignation from Cheri Beck of the ZBA committee.** *Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Walters, to accept the letter of resignation from Ms. Beck. Ayes carried, motion passed.* Discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Carl, to appoint Joe Sprague to the ZBA committee to fill the vacancy of Cheri Beck. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

Commissioner Walters asked the Board to consider looking into a Public Defender’s office for the 2013 budget year, noting that attorney fees are getting very expensive.

Commissioner Smith reminded the Board that the Mid Michigan Spring comedy will be opening today at 2:00 pm.

Public Comments – Sheriff Shea addressed the Board on the discrepancies of item #8 on the Finance report. Sheriff Shea reviewed the figures for the cost saving for 2012 by hiring the new employee vs. the wages for the “senior employee”. Discussion.

Reverend Karen Blatt addressed the Board on the expiration date printed on the ORV maps. Labels will be made to correct and cover the date that was published on the map, as there were no corrections or changes made to the map since publication.

Motion by Commissioner Cal, supported by Commissioner Walters, to adjourn. Ayes carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. until the April 24, 2012 Regular Session meeting at 9:00 a.m. unless otherwise directed.

Laura Brandon-Maveal, Clerk

Josh Reid, Chairman

Gladwin City-County Transit



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RESOLUTION OF INTENT

Resolution# 2012-004

The following resolution was offered by Rhode

And supported by Carl

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 Josh Reid, Board Chairman and Lauren Essenmacher, Executive Director be authorized and directed to execute Contract No. 2012-0083 Project No. 115329, Auth No. P1 for and on behalf of the County of Gladwin.

Resolution Declared Adopted.

CERTIFIED

Laura Brandon-Maveal

Laura Brandon-Maveal
County Clerk

April 10, 2012
Date

Date: February 9, 2012
Agreement No.: 2012-0083
Authorization No.: P1
Project No.: 115329
Agenda: MA

**PROJECT AUTHORIZATION
GLADWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FY 2012 SECTION 5311 OPERATING**

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: October 1, 2011
Authorization Expiration Date: September 30, 2012
Fiscal Year of Effective Contract Clauses: 2012

The Federal Grant associated with the PROJECT AUTHORIZATION is MI-18-X050.
Grant Year: 2010 Federal Item Number: WK0050 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.

Funding reflects the amount of funds currently available under the Federal Appropriation. If additional funds become available, a grant amendment and revised project authorization will be prepared.

Payments to the AGENCY under this PROJECT AUTHORIZATION will be based on 18.5% of the estimated eligible costs, which are \$248,373. The maximum amount to be paid will not exceed 18.5% of the AGENCY'S audited costs. If Section 5311 operating assistance funds are insufficient to reimburse at 18.5% of audited costs, a new reimbursement percentage will be calculated for all participating agencies.

In accordance with Section 7 of the Agreement, the dollar amount for third party contracts as identified in COMMISSION policy is \$25,000. All agencies who are not self-certified must submit third party contracts over \$25,000 to MDOT for approval. Please refer to Section 7 in the Master Agreement for competitive bidding requirements.

The AGENCY will be financially and legally responsible for the terms and conditions of the 5333(b) labor warranty as agreed to in your annual application.

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The AGENCY agrees to prepare and furnish to MDOT quarterly operating assistance reports via the Public Transportation Management System (PTMS). Instructions on preparing the report are available in the "Local Public Transit Revenue and Expense Manual" (October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012). The manual is available on the web at www.michigan.gov/mdotptd.

Funding source:

2012/7509 \$248,373 (F)

PRF No.: 2012-72

GLADWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Signature




Print Name and Title

GLADWIN COUNTY CHAIR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Signature



Print Name and Title



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Title: Department Director

RESOLUTION

NO. : 2012-005

COUNTY OF GLADWIN

DATE: April 10, 2012

RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS**, the Court employees within the County of Gladwin for the Seventeenth (17th) Judicial Probate Court/Family Court, the Fifty-Fifth (55th) Judicial Circuit Court, and the Eightieth (80th) Judicial District Court (jointly the "Courts") are covered by a collective bargaining agreement with the UAW, Local 1974, Units 3, 4 and 5 ("Union"); and
- WHEREAS**, the Courts and the Union entered into a collective bargaining agreement in 2007 with a term of October 1, 2007, through September 30, 2010; and
- WHEREAS**, this contract was continued pursuant to the contract's terms with extensions through September 30, 2012; and
- WHEREAS**, notice to open such collective bargaining agreement is be provided prior August of 2012, for the next succeeding year term to avoid an additional year extension; and
- WHEREAS**, the current collective bargaining agreement, as extended, does not comply with the health insurance requirements in 2011 Public Act 152 for contracts entered into or extended after that agreement's effective date, being after September 27, 2011, and is also more costly than the insurance offered other County employees; and
- WHEREAS**, the cost of such health insurance are paid by the County of Gladwin; and
- WHEREAS**, the health insurance and other fringe benefits for Gladwin County Court employees receive is intertwined with the benefits provided to all County employees within the County of Gladwin; and
- WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Michigan has proposed to the Legislature in his 2012-2013 State budget that future revenue sharing for counties will require compliance with certain compensation guidelines, including the aforementioned insurance contribution limitations; and
- WHEREAS**, the Gladwin County Commissioners believe that the compliance with the State law is necessary for the financial well-being of the County of Gladwin, as well as for consistency with the laws of the State of Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners hereby formally requests that the Gladwin County Courts being Seventeenth (17th) Judicial Probate Court/Family Court, the Fifty-Fifth (55th) Judicial Circuit Court, and the Eightieth (80th) Judicial District Court, request the collective bargaining representatives for the UAW Local 1974, Units 3, 4 and 5, to open negotiations for the next successive collective bargaining agreement term beginning October 1, 2012, as to the contract's health insurance provisions, and such other provisions as may be required by the State to assure compliance with revenue sharing guidelines and that the County deems in the best interest of the public and taxpayers of Gladwin County.

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