

Commissioner Minutes of May 8, 2012

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session May 8, 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 Carl, supported by Commissioner Walters, 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 - \$16,470.33. Discussion on the ability to fund bills and payroll through July.*

Public Comments – none at this time.

Commissioner Reid notified that Thunder on the Strip and Tractor Show would be on the weekend of May 19th. The County is listed as an insured party to the event.

Old Business – none at this time.

New Business – none at this time.

Board Member comments –

Commissioner Walters stated that the Veterans committee will meet today at 3:00 p.m. and that his Township meetings are coming up.

Veterans lost: Ora Dean Cochran, Tobacco Township – Korea. Arnold Klott, Butman Township – Vietnam. Monnie Holt Sr., Grout Township – WWII. Clyde Evers, Billings Township – Vietnam. John Nelson, Grout Township – Post Korea. Conrad Kroening, Billings Township, Vietnam.

Commissioner Carl asked the Board for their consideration on the Resolution for a Zoning Ordinance Revision. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Walters, to adopt Resolution 2012-007 as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Walters – yes, Carl – yes, Rhode – yes, Reid – yes, Birgel – yes, Smith – yes, Whittington – yes. 7 yes, 0 no. Ayes carried, Resolution 2012-007 declared adopted. Commissioner Carl also stated that he attended the County Affairs meeting and their next FEMA meeting will be held at Sage Township on May 23rd at 4:00 p.m. There has been equipment leased to read the depth measurements of lakes and rivers so that accurate information can be submitted to the State on schedule and under cost. Commissioner Carl thanked those who filled in for him while he was on vacation.

Commissioner Whittington stated that his Township meetings start tomorrow and that the Wixom Lake Improvement Board will have a well attended meeting in discussion of the lake draw down in 2014 and 2016.

Commissioner Smith commented that her Township meetings begin next week. That Community Day in the City of Beaverton is the 12th with the Lions Club doing a pancake breakfast that morning. IT Right will be in on Friday and Monday to walk through the departments and discuss with the Department Heads the scope of their programs within their office.

Commissioner Birgel stated that he attended the Quarterly MSU meeting, noting that they offer a broad list of services that he was not aware of. Commissioner Birgel commented that he will make sure that he passes that information along to educate the Board and Townships of the services MSU provides. Commissioner Birgel also commented that he attended the meeting in Grout Township and the County Affairs meeting.

Commissioner Rhode noted after reviewing the expenditures for January – April, was pleased that the County is at 30% spending and right on track with where they should be. Commissioner Rhode reviewed the contributions to the 211 program, stating they are still \$434.00 from their goal. The Eastern Michigan Counsel of Local Government has released their list of grant projects. It looks as though some of the large grant items that Gladwin County has asked for will be “put on the back burner” until funding comes available; however, some of the smaller projects may receive funding.

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 to \$10.00 per square foot. Attached is a copy of the lease with a “Wear Clause” for the Board’s consideration. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Walters, supported by Commissioner Birgel, to set the rent at \$10.00/square foot. Ayes carried, motion passed. Commissioner Rhode will take the proposal to the Health Department for their consideration.
2. The MERS conference will be held October 3-5, 2012 in Grand Rapids. Board action is needed to allow the Clerk to conduct an election for an employee delegate and make the arrangements for attendance. Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Carl, to allow the Clerk to hold an election for employee delegate. Ayes carried, motion passed.
3. Ray Hartwell, Undersheriff, has made the request to trade in (5) revolvers that are not issued or used by the department for the purchase of rifles. Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow for the trade as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed.
4. With the retirement of a Corrections Sergeant, Undersheriff Hartwell has asked to fill the vacancy with a current staff, promote a part-time officer to full time, and hire an additional part-time correction officer. This would be effective 6-4-2012, but would ask permission to place an ad now so that hiring can be in place before June 4th. Motion by Commissioner Whittington, supported by Commissioner Carl, to move forward with the replacement and the advertising as proposed. Ayes carried, motion passed.
5. The Equalization Director and Treasurer met with the committee on the duties of the Township Assessors. It is the recommendation of the committee that the Township Assessors be responsible for sending out their “Change Notices” each year. Motion by Commissioner Rhodes, supported by Commissioner Carl, to implement the change as addressed. Ayes carried, motion passed.
6. The committee has recommended allowing Maintenance to hire a 12 hour/week custodian. Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Carl, to allow for the hire to replace Mike Mewhiney who has retired. This will be a savings to the County of 26 hours per pay period. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Commissioner Rhode stated that the Uniform Addressing meeting will be Thursday at 1:00 p.m. and that the elevator at Maple Manor will be replaced over the next several weeks.

Lauren Essenmacher, Council on Aging, came before the Board with millage wording for Council on Aging and City County Transit. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Walters, supported by Commissioner Carl, to approve the wording for the Senior Services Millage. 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. Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Carl, to approve the wording for the County Transit as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Rhode – yes, Reid – yes, Birgel – yes, Smith – yes, Whittington – yes, Walters – yes, Carl – yes. 7 yes, 0 no. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Commissioner Smith spoke about the proposed changes to the monitoring equipment at the Breault Road Tower. Total cost of \$3,700 would ensure wireless monitoring with costs to be paid as followed: \$2,600 from 911 special funds and \$1,100 from the maintenance department – 265 budget. Motion by Commissioner Walters, supported by Commissioner Carl, to approve the monitoring changes with the funded as outlined above. Ayes carried, motion passed.

Commissioner Whittington commented that the AT&T tower in Billings will be started next month.

Commissioner Reid spoke on the following topics:

- That the Clerk will be billing the Seebeck Foundation quarterly for utility billings at the Parks and Rec area. The balance of the billings after the \$50.00/month contribution by EOC will be placed in the revenue line established for Parks and Rec to the General Fund.
- The Treasurer is looking at moving the County's banking to Chemical Bank from PNC, noting that the fees are too high at PNC and that Chemical is working great with the County and was very accommodating during the borrowing process for delinquent tax.
- The Fire Department was dispatched to the County Building on Friday night for a possible electrical fire. Maintenance has ordered a new motor for the unit.
- The Finance Committee spoke with Judge Farrell and Sheriff Shea on the use of individuals for "community service" in the Courthouse. Departments can submit a "to do" list to Carmen that will be forwarded to the Probation department for assignment.
- That he will be attending several meetings this week.

Public Comments – Mike Greer, District Court Magistrate, spoke on the new lawsuit served on him this morning from an inmate in Wisconsin. MMRMA will cover the legal expenses regarding this case.

The Board then recessed from 9:45 – 9:50 a.m. to wait for County Road Millage wording.

The Board received the millage wording from the County Road. Discussion and review. Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Smith, to approve the wording as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Reid – yes, Birgel – yes, Smith – yes, Whittington – yes, Walters – yes, Carl – yes, Rhodes – yes. 7 yes, 0 no. Ayes carried, motion passed.

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

Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Walters, to adjourn. Ayes carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m. until the May 22, 2012 Regular Session meeting at 9:00 a.m. unless otherwise directed.

Laura Brandon-Maveal, Clerk

Josh Reid, Chairman

RESOLUTION 2012-007
GLADWIN COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE REVISION

WHEREAS, Public Act 110 of 2006, being MCLA 125.3101 through 125.3702 as amended, enables a county board of commissioners to adopt a county zoning ordinance to regulate the use of land, and

WHEREAS, Gladwin County adopted a county zoning ordinance pursuant to Public Act 110 of 2006, and such zoning ordinance became effective on February 1, 2008, and

WHEREAS, the Gladwin County Planning Commission reviewed zoning districts boundaries established by the zoning ordinance and has initiated a revision to change specific boundaries to allow new business uses in certain areas, and

WHEREAS, required notices were published in the *Gladwin County Record*, first class mailings were completed, a public hearing was held by the Gladwin County Planning Commission, and the Planning Commission has presented a summary of the comments received at the public hearing along with its recommendation for revision to the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners approves the recommended revision to the Gladwin County Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Revise zoning district from Residential-Farming, (R/F) District to an Industrial District property in the following location: 3031 Guernsey Rd., Beaverton, MI. 48612. Having a legal description of: "Part of the East ½ of NE ¼, consisting of an 11.22 acre parcel of Beaverton Township, Section 25.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Walters. Upon roll call vote, the following voted "aye":
"nay": Ø
absent: Ø

The Chairperson declared the resolution adopted. Laura Brandon-Maveal
Clerk, Laura Brandon-Maveal

I, Laura Brandon, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Gladwin County, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, 2012-007 was adopted by the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting of said Board held on March 8, 2011, at which meeting a quorum was present, by roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; and that said resolution was ordered to take effect May 13, 2012.

Laura Brandon-Maveal
Clerk, Laura Brandon-Maveal