

## Commissioner Minutes of December 9, 2014

The Board opened the Public Hearing to review, and **adopt, the 2015 General and Special Fund budgets** at 8:30 a.m. There were no comments or discussion. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to adopt the budgets as prepared. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

*Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Smith, to close the public session at 8:35 a.m. The Board will be in recess until their regular Board meeting that begins at 9:00 a.m. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

*The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 9, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Walters. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A short prayer was given. Roll call found all Commissioners present, except Commissioner Carl who has been excused.*

*Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to proceed with the agenda as amended. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

The **cash balances** were then read by Commissioner Birgel. *General Fund - \$842,961.05. Unallocated has a balance of \$96,986.02. Total General Fund and Tax Unallocated Cash \$939,947.07. The TAN note of \$1.3 million has been repaid.*

**Public Comments** – Kelly Miller, Gladwin Township resident, stated he has been in front of the Planning Commission to request a special use permit, but was denied. Mr. Miller stated that he will now proceed with the action in Court. Mr. Miller asked the Board to consider taking charge over the Planning Commission, noting they are a “3 ring circus” and fail to follow the agenda or remove their hats during the meeting or the pledge. Mr. Miller pointed out that any new businesses in the Community must first start with the Planning Commission, which fails to reflect well on the Board of Commissioners. Discussion. Chairman Walters will look into the allegations.

Marianne Hill, Emergency Management, spoke on the EmNet system that is activated in the County. This system can only be used for life threatening alerts, not property damage warnings. Ms. Hill explained that she will be responsible for putting out the message to residents if needed, with dispatch acting as a “backup” only if she is not available. The policies for this system are being re-written and will be available soon. Ms. Hill then spoke on the 2014 grant that was finalized last Monday, and the distribution of funds established by the Local Planning Team. The “cascade system” has been sold to Secord Township Fire Department for \$15,000, with Attorney Jacobson drafting a document for sale. With the proceeds of this sale, Ms. Hill would like to use a portion to buy a “fire tracks” ID system for the fire departments and employees. Discussion. Ms. Hill then stated that Beaverton Fire Department has agreed to allow the County EOC to use their hall as a “back up” EOC center. The next award grant will be used to “outfit” the backup EOC with the essential items it will need in an emergency.

### **Finance Matters – Commissioner Birgel:**

1. The **2015 salary schedule** has been prepared for adoption. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to accept the salary schedule as prepared, noting there may be adjustments after the first of the year to various positions. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

2. The **Treasurer** has requested permission to purchase a **new laptop** for her office from the tax reversion funds. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow the Treasurer permission to work with IT Right on the purchase of a new laptop up to \$1,800.00. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
3. The Sheriff is requesting that the Clerk make application for **2015 federal funding for a marine patrol grant to cover education, and limited patrol**. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to allow for the application process and to give permission to the Chairman to sign the documents upon completion. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
4. Rick Ghent, Maintenance Supervisor, has submitted figures for the **repairs to the heating issue at the jail. Water Heater - \$3,300.00 plus labor and a heat exchanger for the roof top unit -\$450.00 plus labor**. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Smith, to allow Mr. Ghent to proceed with the repairs as outlined. Ayes carried, motion passed.*
5. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Smith, to re-establish the 245 fund. Ayes carried, motion passed.*

*Gina Conrad, Gypsy Moth, asked Commissioner Birgel if he planned to take action on the reinstatement of her part time clerical position. Commissioner Birgel stated that the Board is still researching the issue and is not prepared to take action today, but will have it to discuss on the agenda of the December 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.*

*Commissioner Birgel commented that notices have been sent to those departments who have over spent their line items. The Department Heads were asked to adjust their expenses from within their budget and submitted to the Clerk so that budget amendments can be made by the end of the year. Discussion.*

#### **Commissioner Reports by District –**

##### **Commissioner Smith reported:**

- On attending the DATA meeting on December 3, 2014, the minutes of this meeting were included in the Board packets for the Board's review.
- That she attended the committee of the whole Finance meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>.
- That she enjoyed the Beaverton Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 5th. It was well done and congratulations to all those who work so hard to get the lights and decorations in place for this annual event.
- That she listened to Sheriff Shea's daughter speak, noting she should be congratulated on her speaking skills.
- On attending the Tobacco Township meeting last night, noting they voted to support the county-wide GIS program.
- That she would like to wish her son a Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday tomorrow.

##### **Commissioner Birgel reported:**

- On attending the Grout Township meeting, commenting that they will not be supporting the GIS program.
- That he attended the Beaverton Township meeting where they also stated that they would not be participating in GIS.
- On attending the Mental Health meeting.
- On the Health Department meeting.
- That she attended the Planning Commission meeting.
- On participating in the DATA meeting.
- That he was at the Finance meeting.
- On attending the 911 Dispatch meeting.
- On the Department Head meeting.

**Commissioner Aultman reported:**

- That she participated in the Committee of the Whole Finance meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>.
- On attending the Christmas Lights Parade on December 6<sup>th</sup>.
- That she attended the Billings Township meeting last night, noting they are “on board” with the GIS program.
- She also attended the Bentley Township meeting last night.

**Comments from the Chairman:**

- That his Township and City meetings are coming up.
- On his recent trip to Ohio, noting it was an enjoyable hunting trip.
- That his surgery went well and he feels wonderful.
- On a clarification that he did not speak with Scott Govitz on the MSU millage funding and EDC, but rather just member of the EDC committee.

Veterans Lost - Charles Hendling, Gladwin Township – Korea  
Edward Zuellig Sr., Billings Township – Korea  
Harold Folts Sr., Tobacco Township - Korea

Chairman Walters asked the Board to review the **resolution in support of the airport contract** that has been drafted. Discussion. Chairman Walters stated that the Board can only give to the Airport what it can afford, and that they will need to work with the City to be removed from further contracts. *Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to adopt the resolution as drafted.* Roll call vote as follow: Carl – excused, Walters –yes, Aultman – yes, Smith – yes, Birgel – yes. 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent. Ayes carried, **resolution 2014-030 declared adopted.**

*Commissioner Birgel spoke briefly on the aerial imagery project. Discussion on the funding from each township and the budgeting of money each year. Bill Mason will be following up with each Township on their desire to be a part of the program.*

**Public Comments** – none at this time.

*Motion by Commissioner Aultman, supported by Commissioner Smith, to receive and file various correspondence and reports.* Ayes carried, **motion passed.**

*Motion by Commissioner Birgel, supported by Commissioner Aultman, to adjourn.* Ayes carried, **motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m. until the next regular Board meeting on December 23, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.

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Laura Brandon-Maveal  
County Clerk

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Terry Walters  
Chairman

2014-030

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CITY OF GLADWIN, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY AND THE GLADWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING CONTRACT NO. 2014-1027 (CONTRACT) DATED DECEMBER 9, 2014.**

BE IT RESOLVED, by members of the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners, County of Gladwin, Michigan:

Section 1: That the Chairman of the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute the contract acting on behalf of the County of Gladwin.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Birgel and supported by Board Member Aultman.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

Abstain: 0

Resolution adopted the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014.

Laura Brandon-Maveal  
Laura Brandon-Maveal, Gladwin County Clerk

**CERTIFICATE**

I, Laura Brandon-Maveal, Gladwin County Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Laura Brandon-Maveal  
Laura Brandon-Maveal, Gladwin County Clerk