



## Gladwin County Board of Commissioners Regular Board Minutes, April 11, 2023

**Mike Visnaw, District 1, (Sherman, Butman, Clement, and Secord Twps.)**  
**Ron Taylor, District 2, Vice-Chair (Sage, Gladwin Twp. and Gladwin City P1)**  
**Tami O'Donnell District 3, (Bentley, Billings, Bourret, Grim & Hay)**  
**Karen Moore, District 4, Chairperson (Buckeye, Beaverton City & Tobacco)**  
**Rick Grove, District 5, (Grout, Gladwin City P2, Beaverton Twp.)**

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met for a Regular Board Meeting, on April 11, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Moore. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, roll was called; all Commissioners were present.

### **Agenda (All bolded Consent Agenda items will be approved with the approval of the Agenda)**

Commissioner Moore requested that the Road Commission and Camp Grayling presentations be moved to the beginning of the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner O'Donnell, second by Commissioner Taylor to accept the agenda with amendments. All in favor; motion carried.

### **Public Comment – Agenda Items**

None

### **City Administrators Report**

- Nancy Bodner, with the City of Gladwin, shared that she had met with the City Manager and they are looking for a contractor to finish the work on S. Silverleaf. She also shared that Michael Murphy has been hired as the new Park Manager, and cemetery cleaning has begun.
- Janelle Keen with the City of Beaverton shared that they are still seeking a City Manager. They have a few resumes but have not conducted interviews yet. Scott Govitz has been assisting the City with their projects in the meantime.

### **Cash Balances**

Commissioner Taylor read the cash balances of (\$243,199.91); he explained the negative balance is normal for this time of year.

### **Board Minutes:**

- A. March 28, 2023, Regular Board Meeting**
- B. March 31, 2023, Special Board Meeting**

### **Miscellaneous**

1. Road Commission Update  
Dave Pettersch, with the Gladwin County Road Commission, shared some information on road bringing including the difference between mineral well brining and oil well brining, changes to the restrictions and regulations that govern the process, and the impact that could have for the Road Commission and our county. Conversation was had between the Commissioners and Mr. Pettersch.
2. Camp Grayling Expansion  
Retired Lieutenant Colonel, Mike McNamara, and Jim Knight, Grayling Township Board Trustee, shared with the Board that they are asking support in the form of a resolution in opposition of Camp Grayling's expansion. Camp Grayling National Guard is seeking to purchase 163,000 acres of public land to be used for equipment testing and training. Mr. McNamara share his views on the reasons Camp Grayling is seeking to expand and the dangers to the community. Questions were asked and answered from the Board and members of the public. The Board will research the information and

consider a resolution at a later date. Mr. Knight recommended that the board view Martha DUBY Videos in their research.

## **Finance**

### **1. Recommendations from the Finance Committee**

- a. Request approval to Advance funds from 239 Spongy Moth and 282 Wireless 911 funds to cover General Fund shortfall.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve the advancement of \$750,000 from each account to the General Fund; seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell . All in favor, motion passed.

- b. Request approval for funding to cover BS&A proposal to set accounting software up for 9/30/2023 fiscal year end.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, to approve \$2,000 to BS&A to change the General Ledger over to a 09/30 fiscal year to be paid from line 101-258-815.006. Additional appropriations to be transferred from 516-000-999.101 to 101-000-699.516. Seconded by Commissioner Moore. Additional conversation was had. All in favor, motion passed.

- c. Request approval for funding plan to cover amounts due to the State of Michigan for the 292 Child Care fund shortfall for 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the county Treasurer to pay \$35,044.29 to the State of Michigan to cover the 292 Child Care fund shortfall. A transfer from 281-000-999.101 to 101-000-699.281 and an appropriation from 101-965-998.292 to 292-000-699.101; seconded by Commissioner Visnaw. All in favor, motion passed.

- d. Comment on County owned parcels with taxes due.

Attorney Hoerauf discussed some of the information she is looking for pertaining to the use of the land and whether it is or is not taxable.

### **2. Request approval for funding of two patrol vehicles utilizing ARPA Funds.**

Undersheriff Harwell shared they are still waiting on current pricing; Administrator Justin discussed the funding of previous patrol car purchases.

No action taken.

### **3. Request approval for payment of annual MAC dues in**

Motion by Commissioner O'Donnell to approve the amount of \$8,089.62 to MAC from line 101-101-801.000; seconded by Commissioner Taylor. All in favor, motion passed.

### **4. Request approval for the County Administrator to attend MACAO Annual Conference**

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the attendance of the County Administrator at the MACAO Annual Conference on May 23-May 26 at Crystal Mountain. The cost of the conference is \$75 plus cost of hotel @ \$148/night for three nights and mileage of approximately \$120. Total cost of approximately \$639 to be paid from line 101-101-860.000. Seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell. Additional conversation was had; 4 - yes, 1 – no by Commissioner Grove, motion passed.

## **Committee Meeting Reports**

### **1. Finance Committee, March 31**

## **Routine Payments Made Within Department's Budget, less than \$500**

1. Request approval for Sheriff Mike Shea to attend 6<sup>th</sup> annual North American Active Assailant conference June 8-9 in Troy, MI. The cost of the conference is \$175 plus cost of hotel @ \$134/night for two nights. The total cost of the conference is \$443 to be paid from line 101-301-804.000.

## **Payments Required by Collective Bargaining Agreement**

None

## **New Business**

Drain Commissioner Walters presented the Board with the following resolutions:

1. Request Board approval for Lake Lancer Resolution, authorizing repair expenditures greater than \$10,000 – Drain Commissioner, Terry Walters  
Resolution offered by Commissioner Visnaw, seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Roll call vote, 5 - Y, 0 - N, Resolution adopted.
2. Request Board approval for Lake Lancelot Resolution, authorizing repair expenditures greater than \$10,000 – Drain Commissioner, Terry Walters  
Resolution offered by Commissioner O'Donnell, seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Roll call vote, 5 - Y, 0 - N, Resolution adopted.

## **Chair Comments**

Chair Moore shared that the Legislative Breakfast is this Friday at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 7:30 a.m. Tonight at 3:00 is the Beaverton v. Gladwin game at the Loons field in Midland; the cost is \$10. The Council of Local Government meeting is coming up, and May 20<sup>th</sup> is Thunder on the Strip

## **Board Comments**

Commissioner Visnaw, District 1 –

- Attended the Juvenile Facility feasibility study meeting.
- Attended the Jail Committee Meeting
- Attended the Drain Commissioners Meeting where discussion was on the recently adopted resolutions.

Commissioner Taylor, District 2 –

- On March 30<sup>th</sup> he attended the Central Dispatch meeting, they are currently under budget.
- Last night was the Sports Complex meeting, they are ahead financially and are looking to write a grant to put cement paths in.

Commissioner O'Donnell, District 3 -

- MAC meeting was missed but she will be reading the minutes.
- Last night she attended Billings and Bentley meetings. Billings is working on their park and park events; Bentley has started their Farmers Market.

Commissioner Moore, District 4 –

- A lot of conversations around the Opioid Settlement. 85% of the funds we receive must be spent on abatement and 70% of that has to be planned for future abatement. Will be traveling to North Carolina for the first national meeting.
- Attended a Labor and Economic Opportunity meeting in Mt. Pleasant regarding Economic Development from a State level.
- Tobacco Township meeting last night.

Commissioner Grove, District 5 –

- March 31<sup>st</sup> was the Special meeting to Medical Examiner meeting
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> attended the City of Gladwin.
- April 5<sup>th</sup> he went to Grayling for the Juvenile Facility meeting.
- April 5<sup>th</sup> was the Jail Study meeting.

- Beaverton Township meeting was last night, still working on building sidewalks on the main road to the school.
- Grout township meeting tonight.

#### **Administrator Report.**

- Working with other counties on three different projects right now
- Working with different organizations on the opioids needs in Gladwin County.
- Working with Trapani Communications on millage information.
- Working to compile a list of contracts that the county holds.
- Body cams are now being worn by our officers.

#### **Civil Attorney**

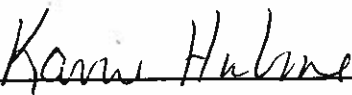
- 80<sup>th</sup> District Court and the Sheriff's office are looking at FOIA request changes due to Automatic Set Aside and Expungement law changes.
- Land use questions are being looked into.
- The Personnel Policy continues to be updated.
- Will be attending two, day-long meetings next week with other attorneys for Legislative Updates.

#### **Public Comment**

- Dr. Zackett discussed some research he has done on treating lamp rays in the lakes; TFA is a chemical application that will be used. A meeting will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April at the Beaverton Activity Center from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. to share information on the chemical and process. April 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. will be a FLTF webinar. May 9<sup>th</sup> Mr. Kepler will share an update with the commissioners, a lot has been going on.
- Joel Vernier mentioned Friday night at the Knights of Columbus will host a fish and shrimp dinner to support our local Hospice. On the 24<sup>th</sup> the Council of Local Government will meet at the County Commissioners Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

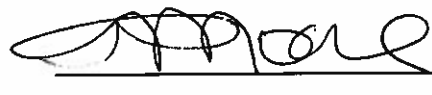
#### **Receive and File**

A motion was made by Commissioner Visnaw to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell; meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.



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Karrie Hulme, County Clerk



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Karen Moore, Chairperson