



**Gladwin County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Board Minutes, March 14, 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 March 14, 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.

**Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Moore asked for an addition to the agenda adding an item under finance to hear from Jail Administrator McGourty regarding a radio replacement request. A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, second by Commissioner O'Donnell to accept the agenda with amendments. All in favor; motion carried.

**Public Comment – Agenda Items**

No public comment.

**City Administrators Report**

Nancy Bodner, with the City of Gladwin, mentioned that the City will be working on South Silverleaf this summer; they are asking residents to please let City Hall know if there are other roads that need attention.

**Cash Balances**

Commissioner Taylor read the cash balances of \$148,364.43 before the payment of bills.

**Board Minutes:**

- A. February 28, 2023, Regular Board Meeting**
- B. March 3, 2023, Special Board Meeting**

**Finance**

- A. Request Approval for the Tear out and Installation of New Mop Sink**

Maintenance Supervisor, Rick Ghent shared information on his request to replace the existing mop sink, plumbing, and faucet in maintenance closet. He had sought other quotes, but no other vendor was able to accommodate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by commissioner Visnaw to approve the request to replace the sink by Pierson Plumbing. Cost estimate of \$1,100 to be paid from 101-265-930.000. All in favor, motion carried.

Jail Administrator, Matt McGourty shared information on items B,C, & D.

- B. Request Approval for the Replacement of five obsolete Taser**

The purchase is for a "Bundle" which includes handle, battery pack, holster, live cartridges, licenses, cartridge replacement program, and extended warranty. Partial reimbursement is anticipated from MMRMA through a WRAP Grant application.

A motion was made by Commissioner Grove, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the replacement of five Taser X2's with a current model, Taser 7, for Courthouse Security personnel. Total cost of \$18,771, of which a \$2,500 reimbursement is anticipated from MMRMA WRAP grant.

Total cost to the County of \$18,771, less \$2,500 anticipated payable in annual installments over five years. First payment to come from line 101-351-930.001; the remaining payments to be budgeted by the Sheriff's Office in future years. All in favor, motion carried.

**C. Request Approval to Replace Existing Radios for Corrections Staff.**

Current radios are obsolete, and the cost to repair them would be \$2,156, and the cost to purchase twenty (20) new radios is \$9,241.14.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Grove, to replace 20 radios from Radio North, in the amount of \$9,241.14, from line item 101-351-930.001. All in favor, motion carried.

**D. Request approval for Corrections Staff to attend Michigan Jail First Line Supervisor Academy in Okemos.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell, to approve Corrections Corporals Robert Medley and Minda McCartney to attend Michigan Jail First Line Supervisor Academy in Okemos for two (2) training periods dated March 29-30 and April 26-27. Conference registration is free to MMRMA members. Total approximate cost of \$750 to be paid from 264-000-607.000 for hotel rooms, mileage and food. All in favor, motion carried.

**E. Request approval for Data Committee Recommendations.**

Administrator Justin and Commissioner O'Donnell shared details of the Data Committee meeting. They are recommending the approval of the following:

**1. Barracuda/Energize Renewal**

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Donnell, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the Personnel Committees recommendation to renew the Barracuda contract in the amount of \$846.75 from line item 101-258-815.006. All in favor, motion carried.

**2. Prosecutor PC Replacements**

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Donnell, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the Personnel Committees recommendation to approve the purchase of five (5) PC's in the Prosecutors office due to age. Cost of \$4,618.75 from line item 101-258-815.005, \$925.75 to be reimbursed from grant funds. All in favor, motion carried.

**3. Licensing Update for Data Committee**

No action taken.

**4. SSD Upgrade in Host 1 – Virtual Server**

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Donnell, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to approve the Personnel Committees recommendation to update the Host 1 Virtual Server, including the purchase 2 Samsung 870QVO 8 terabyte solid state drive servers to increase the speed, efficiency and compacity of the current servers, in the amount of \$1,759.76 from line item 101-258-815.003. Additional conversation on data stored in the cloud. All in favor, motion carried.

**F. Request Approval to Renew ArcGIS License**

County Administrator, Mark Justin shared details on the request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Grove, to renew the ArcGIS license for one year for the Spongy Moth Department. Cost of \$1,000.00 to be paid from line 239-000-802.000. All in favor, motion carried.

**Committee Meeting Reports**

- 1. Finance Committee 2/10/2023**
- 2. Personnel Committee 2/28/2023**
- 3. Data Committee 3/3/2022**

4. Courthouse Security 3/7/2023
5. Planning Commission 1/4/2023

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

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

#### **Miscellaneous**

- A. Request approval for MSU Extension Millage Renewal  
District 6 Director of MSU Extension, Eric Karbowski shared the details of the request.  
A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor seconded by Commissioner Grove to...Additional conversation on the election process, millage value, and services provided by MSU Extension. All in favor, motion carried.
- B. Personnel Committee Recommendations  
Commissioner Moore shared information from the Personnel Committee's meeting, and the policy drafted by the Attorney Hoerauf.
  1. Healthcare Change Outside of Open Enrollment  
A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the policy on Healthcare Change Outside of Open Enrollment, seconded by Commissioner Visnaw. All in favor, motion carried.  
A motion by Taylor, seconded by Grove, additional conversation on.... All in favor, motion carried.
  2. Sick Time Accrual for Part-time Employees  
Attorney Hoerauf shared information on the legal history of sick time for part time employees.  
Commissioner Taylor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell, to implement sick time accrual, pursuant to the law, in the County's Nonunion Employee Manual effective January 1, 2023. All in favor, motion carried.

Civil attorney updates given at this time:

- Jail collection lawsuit is being drafted.
- Some judgment satisfactions have been signed for some collection cases.

#### **New Business**

##### **Chair Comments**

Chair Moore questioned if Point Broadband's maps were deemed proprietary or if they were just unable to locate them when Dr. Zacket had asked; she believes their State Grant Application was submitted last week. Thunder on the Strip will be on May 20<sup>th</sup>, hosted by the Gladwin Business Professional Association (GBPA). The Beaverton Area Business Association (BABA) is having a bowling event this Friday at the Beaverton Bowl.

##### **Board Comments**

Commissioner Visnaw, District 1 –

- Courthouse Security meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup>
- Butman and Clement Township meetings on the 8<sup>th</sup>
- 9<sup>th</sup> was the Airport meeting.

Commissioner Taylor, District 2 –

- Attended the Sports Complex meeting. Awarded ARPA funds for the well have been used; the well drilling was completed at the same price quoted even though the estimated price was exceeded.
- Gladwin City meetings- Commissioners Taylor and Grove will trade off meeting dates; Grove will attend the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the month, Taylor will attend the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

- Attended the Airport meeting. The lighting project should be complete.
- Attended Sage Township meeting and had conversation regarding Pratt Lake Authority be placed back with the Drain Commissioner. Last Saturday Sage Township hosted a Red Cross event, they are now a red cross shelter.
- At the State Bowling Championships, Gladwin schools had a young man take second place, and the Beaverton Girls team took second in the State.

Commissioner O'Donnell, District 3 -

- Attended the Data Committee meeting.
- 10<sup>th</sup>, Legislative Breakfast
- MAC Environmental zoom, a new law regarding material management handling was discussed. It will take effect March 29<sup>th</sup>. The goal is to have 45% of the State recycling by 2035.
- Billings and Bentley Township meetings were last night. Bentley has ordered their new Emergency Response vehicle, and Billings is working on a lease agreement for their new park pavilion.
- Park Committee in Billings Township is working hard; on June 17<sup>th</sup> they will be hosting a dedication of Blue and Gold Star Memorial.
- Saturday the Wixom Lake Association hosted a comedy night and raised \$1100 for lake bottom clean up; their next event will be April 15<sup>th</sup> at the Dow Diamond.
- Grim and Bourret meetings are today.

Commissioner Moore, District 4 –

- Shared an experience she had with a citizen, and a conversation with the Sheriff and 911 Director. She thanked them for the personal service to our community.
- Conversation is being had at the townships regarding EGLE taking a position against Brining our roads
- Thunder on the Strip tickets cost \$5, \$1 of that goes to the local Airport.
- April 11<sup>th</sup> is a Beaverton vs. Gladwin Boys Baseball game at the Dow Diamond, 4:00 p.m.
- The Legislative Breakfast was on the 10<sup>th</sup>, the next one is April 14<sup>th</sup> speakers will be our City Leaders.
- Four Lakes Task Force (FLTF) held a webinar on March 8<sup>th</sup>, it is posted online. Permitting was discussed, please take some time to watch it. They (FLTF) will have a Board meeting today at noon.
- Northern Michigan Counties Association (NMCA) will be having their next meeting in Wexford County to tour their jail facilities.
- The Gladwin County Youth Leadership's first module is this Friday at the Road Commission.

Commissioner Grove, District 5 –

- Commissioner Grove questioned the reasoning behind EGLE's (Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy) stance on road brining.
- 1<sup>st</sup> was the Planning Committee meeting, and a PR meeting on the Law Enforcement millage.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> attended the Special Board meeting.
- 6<sup>th</sup> was the City of Gladwin meeting.
- 7<sup>th</sup> was the Courthouse Security meeting.

**Public Comment**

Treasurer VanTiem shared that she received approval from the State for a grant in the amount of \$33,500 to demo three areas in Beaverton City.

Dr. Zacket commented on the brine conversation, and suggested the board invite Dave Pettersch to share any insight he may have. FLTF Board meeting will be at Swanton Hall in Edenville today at noon,

and commented on the agenda items. Point Broadband maps were not available for the purpose of the Wixom Lake Association to draft a letter of support.

**Administrator Report.**

- Plane flyover was not done, will be rescheduled.
- A 3<sup>rd</sup> Opioid settlement has been signed onto; it will bring several hundred thousand dollars to the county.
- Met with the State Treasury regarding the budget, and how they can help.
- Marine Grant proposal has been submitted.
- Data committee meeting resulted in a meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> with the Sheriff's office to cover Net Motion.
- MMRMA WRAP grants are being worked on.

Commissioner Moore questioned the Opioid Settlement process and asked that information be given to the board more frequently. She stated that if the Attorney has reviewed the settlement, she is confident in the process.

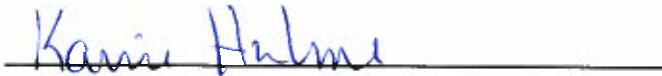
**Civil Attorney**

Shared her report earlier in the meeting.

**Receive and File**

- A. February Library Statistics
- B. Zoning Department Annual Letter

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell; meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.



Karrie Hulme, County Clerk



Karen Moore, Chairperson