

# Gladwin County Board of Commissioners Board Minutes, November 22, 2023

Mike Visnaw, District 1, (Sherman, Butman, Clement, Secord)

Ron Taylor, District 2, Vice-Chairperson (Sage, Gladwin, and Gladwin City N. of M-61)

Tami O'Donnell District 3, (Bentley, Billings, Bourret, Grim, Hay)

Karen Moore, District 4, Chairperson (Tobacco, Buckeye, Beaverton City)

Rick Grove, District 5, (Grout, Beaverton, Gladwin City S. of M-61)

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met for a special Board Meeting, on November 22, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairperson Karen Moore. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, roll was called; Commissioner O'Donnell was excused, all other commissioners were present.

## The Board Reviewed the Agenda

The Board reviewed the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Visnaw to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, all in favor motion carried.

# **Public Comment**

Judge Tara Hovey addressed the Board to share her appreciation for Deputy Clerk Ashley Longstreth, and the value that she brings to 55<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court.

#### **New Business**

- a. Clerk's Office Staffing
  - Clerk Hulme shared details of staffing in her office, including the resignation of a newly hired Court Clerk, the need to replace the payroll clerk, and the desire to promote the Court Clerk to Chief Deputy Court Clerk.
  - 1. A motion was made by Commissioner Moore to allow the Clerk to promote the Deputy Court Clerk to Chief Deputy Court Clerk pending the approval of the Union and Civil Council; seconded by Commissioner Visnaw. Roll call vote, 4 y, 0 n, motion approved.
  - 2. A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to allow the clerk to post for hiring, two Deputy Clerks to fill vacancies of existing positions in her office; seconded by Commissioner Visnaw. All in favor, motion carried.
  - 3. A motion was made by Commissioner Moore to allow the new Executive Secretary, former payroll clerk in the Clerk's Office, to remain deputized under the County Clerk for three months to train a new payroll clerk, up to six days, one per payroll. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Visnaw, 3- y, 1 n by Commissioner Grove, motion carried.

### **Public Comment**

- Mark Toaz, the newly appointed County Prosecutor, addressed the Board to reintroduce himself and share his enthusiasm for the new roll.
- Jennifer Ochab, Union Rep for Unit 6, shared some thoughts on the promotion of the Deputy Clerk and noted what appears to be an error in the language of the Union 7 contract.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

County Clerk, Karrie Hulme

Board Chair, Karen Moore