



Gladwin County Board of Commissioners Board Minutes, April 23, 2024

Mike Visnaw, District 1, (Sherman, Butman, Clement, & Secord Twps.)
Ron Taylor, District 2, Vice-Chair (Sage, Gladwin Twp. & Gladwin City P1)
Tammy O'Donnell, District 3, (Bentley, Billings, Bourret, Grim & Hay Twps.)
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 23, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Karen Moore. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, roll was called, all commissioners were present.

The Board Reviewed the Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed the consent agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment – Agenda Items

City Report

Cash balances were read by Commissioner Taylor. General Fund balance is \$65,142.42 before the payment of bills.

Approval of the Board Minutes:

1. **April 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting**

Department Head Reports

Drain Commissioner Terry Walters and Deputy Drain Commissioner Lucy Zeestraten, presented the Drains 2023 Annual Report. Information was shared on grants vs. assessments, completed projects, and work currently being done.

Miscellaneous

1. Bonnie Klein & Lori Stout presented the Council on Aging's budget for the 24/25 Fiscal Year. Information was shared on potential funding from Region 7 Area Agency on Aging based on a recent census, that may negatively impact the budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the 24/25 FY Budget for Council on Aging \$855,442 seconded by Commissioner Grove. All in favor, motion carried.

Finance

2. Maintenance Rug Order

Maintenance Manager, Rick Ghent shared details of his request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the rug purchase from Arnold Sales in the amount of \$2,182 from the ARPA line 281-000-802.000. Seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell, all in favor, motion carried.

An update was given on the work being done at the jail.

2. Sheriff's Office Trainings

A motion was made by Commissioner Grove to approve Sheriff Shea to attend the Michigan Sheriffs Association Conference June 9th – 11th; the cost of \$295 to come from line 285-000-804.000 plus hotel costs in the amount of \$378 from line 101-301-804.000. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Donnell to approve Ronnie Bontumasi to attend the Michigan Sheriffs Association Conference June 9th -11th, registration cost of \$150 plus hotel costs of \$378, and meals and mileage to come from line 101-351-804.000. Seconded by Commissioner Visnaw, all in favor, motion carried.

3. Clerk's Office Cross Shredder Purchase

Clerk Hulme shared details of her request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the purchase of a commercial cross shredder for the Clerk's Office, cost of \$1,796.99 to be split 50/50 from lines 101-215-727.001 & 281-000-802.000. Seconded by Commissioner Visnaw, all in favor, motion carried.

Committee Meeting Reports

1. Commissioner Moore shared details of the Personnel Committee meeting including conversations on timesheet signing of single employee departments/department heads, and the request to buy back PTO time.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to allow the Administrative Assistant/ Executive Secretary to review and sign time sheets single employee departments/department heads, seconded by Commissioner O'Donnell. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Visnaw, to deny a request of an employee to buy back PTO time used in January. Additional Conversation was had; all in favor, motion carried.

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

Payments Required by Collective Bargaining Agreement

New Business

1. Commissioner Grove shared details of a rezoning request and resolution for 25/29 Sugar River Rd Gladwin, MI in Butman Township.

A motion was made by Commissioner Grove to adopt Resolution# 2024-029 to allow the rezoning of 25/29 Sugar River Rd Gladwin, MI. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Chair Moore read the resolution. Additional Conversation was had, applicant and business owner, Phillip Rembelski, commented on his request. Roll call vote, 5-y, 0-n, resolution declared adopted.

Old Business

Chairperson Comments

Chairperson Moore commented that the Michigan Association of Counties shared that the Trial Court Funding Bills had cleared the House, and will be before the Senate faster than expected, hopefully before the May 1 sunset.

Board Comments

Commissioner Visnaw, District 1 –

- Butman & Clement Township meetings on the
- Airport meeting was the 11th.
- 16th was Sherman Township meeting.
- 17th was the Secord Township meeting.
- Department Head meeting on the 19th regarding Computer usage

Commissioner Taylor, District 2 –

- Veterans meeting on the 9th.
- 10th was Sage Township meeting, there was conversation on repaving roads.
- 11th was the Airport meeting.
- 17th was Gladwin Township meeting.
- Sports Complex meeting last night.
- Health Board will be tomorrow afternoon.

Commissioner O'Donnell, District 3 –

- Wixom Lake Improvement Board meeting had discussion on assessments and budget. US Fish and Wildlife, FLTF and the DNR are discussing fish habitat.
- The Materials Management Plan is in full force. The deadline for the letter of intent is July 8th.
- Short Term Rentals will be a conversation with MAC (Michigan Association of Counties). Over ten (10) bills have been introduced on this matter.

Commissioner Moore, District 4 –

- Gladwin County Community Builders will meet next on June 29th at the Knights of Columbus. They have engaged Middle Michigan development Corporation.
- Gladwin's Opioid Task Force has been discussing a community support person, movement is being made toward realizing that position.
- May 18th is Thunder on the Strip
- July 13th is a Fun Festival Day (Gladwin).
- July 14th is a .5K fundraiser for the Trail of Two Cities.

Commissioner Grove, District 5 –

- 10th was the Planning Commission meeting.
- 18th was a meeting with Inner Energy Solar Company.
- Daycare regulations for commercial vs home based day cares need to be addressed.

Chair Moore responded in a follow-up to Commissioner Grove:

- May 13th is a Childcare Business Leaders Roundtable in Midland
- There is an active initiative, Citizens for Local Control, aimed at giving control over solar decisions back to the local governments.

Administrators Report

- Kimberly Hines shared that the County got some good news on our grants; details to come in the future.
- Melanie Thume shared she has been working with MSHDA, responding to Wage Study Requests, and filing ARPA Reporting.

Civil Attorney Report

- Attorney Hoerauf shared an update on the Heron Cove lawsuit; she has been working on resolutions and contracts.

Public Comment

- Sid Hansen, 50-year resident of Wixom Lake, shared a recommendation with the Board, on his resolution to the Four Lakes Task Force projects.
- Chuck Davis from Petosky MI, and Matthew Anderson, a Ten Sixteen Recovery outpatient, shared the desire to start a Sober Living community here in the Gladwin area, similar to Bear River Health up north. They addressed the Board seeking direction.
- Carrie Will, Gladwin Chamber of Commerce, shared that they will be partnering with Christmas Kindness for the ORV event, 9&10 News will be doing a segment on Gladwin County, the Smokehouse has opened in Gladwin, the Legislative Breakfast will be May 10th, Lambert's Meat Market's re-opening ribbon cutting will be the 29th at 8 a.m.
- County Prosecutor, Mark Toaz, shared that May 14th he will be hosting a BBQ for Law Enforcement in honor of National Police Week, here in the parking lot.

Receive and File

1. March 2024 Library Statistics
2. March 6, 2024, Planning Commission Meeting & Public Hearing

No Further Business, the meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Karrie Hulme, County Clerk

Karen Moore, Chairperson