



Gladwin County Board of Commissioners

Board Minutes, August 27, 2024

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 regular Board Meeting on August 27, 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, and all Commissioners were present except Commissioner O'Donnell.

Public Comment – Agenda Items

City Report – Nancy Bodnar from the City of Gladwin was present but had no updates.

Consent Agenda - Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve the agenda with the addition of 15D MIDC Contract under New Business, seconded by Commissioner Visnaw; all in favor, motion carried.

Cash Balances were read by Commissioner Taylor; General Fund balance of \$308,649.67 with bills approximating \$67,000 to be paid.

Approval of the Board Minutes:

A. August 13, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

Department Head Report

Finance Reports/Claims and Accounts General Fund

- A.** Request approval to purchase 3 computers from Amazon totaling \$2,037 from 101-351-930.001. Motion by Commissioner Taylor for the purchase from Amazon, seconded by Commissioner Visnaw; all in favor, motion carried.
- B.** Request approval of purchase of Quickbooks upgrade by Ronnie at Sheriff Department in the amount of \$2,948 from 101-301-801.000. Motion by Commissioner Grove for the Quickbooks upgrade if Ronnie deems necessary before the end of this fiscal year, seconded by Commissioner Taylor; all in favor, motion carried.
- C.** Request approval for the removal of the two trees in front of Courthouse by Oakridge Tree Service in the amount of \$1,600. Motion by Commissioner Visnaw for Oakridge to remove the trees, seconded by Commissioner Taylor; all in favor, motion carried.

Committee Meeting Reports

A. August 22, 2024, Personnel Committee Meeting

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

Payments required by Collective Bargaining Agreement

- A. Greg Guild PTO payout per Union Contract, 120 hours (\$3,446.40) from line 101-301-705.000**

Miscellaneous

- A. Council on Aging requested \$21,200 in additional funding from their millage funding to meet their budget shortfall. Motion by Commissioner Grove to make the one time payout of \$21,200 from millage funding, seconded by Commissioner Taylor; all in favor, motion carried.**
- B. The 2023 Audit Review performed by Anderson, Tackman & Company was presented by Ken Talsma. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to place the audit review on file, seconded by Commissioner Grove; all in favor, motion carried.**

New Business

- A. Request approval for Mike Hargrave to have authority to execute airport sponsor contracts between the Gladwin-Zettel Memorial Airport and State of Michigan Department of Transportation, Resolution 2023-031. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Zettel Memorial Airport Resolution 2024-031, seconded by Commissioner Visnaw. Roll call vote: 4 – yes; 0 – no, with Commissioner O’Donnell absent; all in favor, motion carried. Resolution 2024-031 hereby adopted.**
- B. Request approval for Melanie Thume to be the Designated Person of Authority (DPA), Tami O’Donnell to be elected official on the Materials Management Plan (Heartland), and for Chairperson Karen Moore to sign the Notice of Intent. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve, seconded by Commissioner Visnaw; all in favor, motion carried.**
- C. Request appoint Mike Stumpf to the vacant position of the Planning Board. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to appoint Mike Stumpf, seconded by Commissioner Grove; all in favor, motion carried.**
- D. Request to approve the new MIDC contract for Gladwin County. This program is run by Clare County. Motion by Commissioner Taylor to approve the MIDC contract, seconded by Commissioner Visnaw with Commissioner Moore abstaining from the vote; all in favor, motion carried.**

Old Business

- A. Request approval for Data Committee to move forward without an RFP. Discussion was had on the lengthy process of doing an RFP but still go ahead with it and change the deadline to September 20th. Tom Stiehl offered insight and help with the IT issues currently faced with VC3. Motion by Commissioner Visnaw to continue with the RFP process moved up to September 20th, seconded by Commissioner Taylor; all in favor, motion carried.**

Chair Comments

Bob North informed her of the cuts in emergency management funding by the State; Thunder on the Strip is September 14th at the Airport; Riverwalk is hosting the Jeep Creep again October 18-20.

Board member Comments/Report:

Mike Visnaw, District 1:

- 8/14 Butman Township meeting; contract negotiations with Corrections; Clement Township meeting.
- 8/19 MAC meeting.
- 8/20 Sherman Township meeting.
- 8/21 Secord Township.
- 8/22 Personnel with Judge Farrell.
- 8/26 Council of Local Government – discussion on the County's lack of no Bligh Ordinances.

Ron Taylor, District 2:

- 8/14 Union negotiations.
- Sage Township meeting.
- 8/19 Gladwin City meeting.
- Sports Complex meeting – they finally raised their rates after 8 years to get them in a much better financial state.
- 8/20 Veterans Committee meeting – new park project.
- Lake Board meeting for Pratt, Contos and Wiggins.
- 8/21 Gladwin Township meeting – Channel 5 News, Sheriff Shea, Mike Hoadley and several Amish farmers were there because of the solar farm discussions.

Tami O'Donnell, District 3:

Karen Moore, District 4:

- Attended the Northern Michigan Association of Counties on the opioid problem.
- FLTF emails and website very informative with updates.
- Secord Township was commended on their open house for the dam.
- MidMichigan Community Action Director is retiring.
- Council of Local Government.
- 5th Annual Radio Control event at the Airport.
- September 5th is the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Trail of Two Cities.

Rick Grove, District 5:

- Grout Township may be getting new street light at corner of Grout/Calhoun.

- Council of Local Government.
- Sports Complex; glad they are doing something to help themselves financially.
- He'd like to see solar addressed in the County's Master Plan even though the State took it over.

Administration Report

Melanie is working on grants for lights on the Animal Shelter truck and Friend of the Court cameras. The new health insurance rates should be out this afternoon.

Kim got the Chill Grant approval and plans to get awareness out to the community. The Broad Band Grant was also submitted.

Board Communications

Report of Civil Attorney

Jaynie gave a short update on zoning, the new collections lawsuit, and the lawsuits against the Deputy that left after the County funded his training. Waiting to see how this one turns out before beginning on the second Deputy that left. The Heron Cove lawsuit is at the Federal level now.

Public Comments:

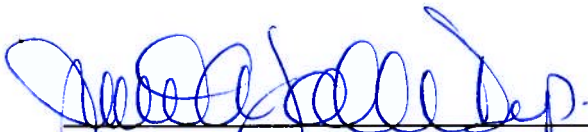
Chuck Sikora thanked everyone for the attendance at the Secord Dam Open House.

Joel Vernier provided comments on updating Schuette, Hoadley, and Moolenaar on the dam issues and the Council of Local Government had very good attendance. September 13th at the Knights of Columbus is the fundraiser dinner supporting Meals on Wheels; September 1st is the Knights of Columbus chicken BBQ; and, the Vatican exhibit is coming to Sacred Heart this year.

Carrie at the Chamber spoke on the great turnout for the ORV Fun Run and the bike tour from Lansing to Mackinaw coming through Gladwin on August 29th.

Receive & File - January Library Statistics

Adjournment at 10:55 a.m.



Julie A. Jackson, Chief Deputy Clerk



Karen Moore, Chairperson