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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS JUNE 17, 2025 SESSION


The June Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:08 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at the Saginaw County Courthouse, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602 with the Honorable Jack B. Tany in the Chair.

PRESENT: Christopher S. Boyd, Lisa R. Coney, Jack B. Tany, Denny M. Harris, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Tracey L. Slodowski, Richard A. Spitzer, and Michael A. Webster - **9**

ABSENT: Mark S. Piotrowski and John L. Kaczynski - **2**

TOTAL: - **11**

OTHERS: Vanessa Guerra, Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Jennifer Broadfoot, Katharine Tessin, Nicole Lee, Brandell Adams, Jaime Ceja, Mary McLaughlin, Andrew Klaczekiewicz, Undersheriff Gomez, Anna McGrath, Michael Yelsik, Hurley Coleman, Brady Duke, Suzy Koepplinger, Renee Sharkey, Catherine Hicks, and others

 Commissioner Coney gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the May 14, 2025 Committee of the Whole and the May 20, 2025 Regular Board Session were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

- ❖ A Public Hearing was held to give citizens an opportunity to comment on the proposed annexations of property from Blumfield Township to the Village of Reese for the purpose of accessing sewer services on the following properties:
 - Property ID# 06-12-6-13-1017-000. 2032 S. Reese Rd., Reese, MI
 - Property ID# 06-12-6-13-1028-000. 2038 S. Reese Rd., Reese, MI
 - Property ID# 06-12-6-13-1034-000. 2070 S. Reese Rd., Reese, MI
 - Property ID# 06-12-6-12-1004-003. 1660 S. Reese Rd., Reese, MI
- ❖ There were 3 calls of the public hearing with no speakers. The hearing closed at 5:31 p.m.

AUDIENCES

- ❖ Hurley J. Coleman III, Executive Director, Saginaw Community Action Committee, updated the Board of Commissioners on the progress of its ARPA projects. Improvements such as roofs, gutters, doors, weatherization, etc. are being made to homes in six different townships and two homes are nearly completed.
- ❖ Nicole Lee, Saginaw Township resident, thanked commissioners for their service to Saginaw County. She shared a parable concerning bridge building and asked them to build figurative bridges by having events in Saginaw that draw the community together. She asked that the Board restore Commissioner Richard Spitzer and remove the censure that has been implemented.

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- ❖ Certificate of Recognition to Susan Smith upon her retirement from the 10th Circuit Recovery Court as Program Coordinator [Commissioner Boyd and Chairman Tany acknowledged Sue Smith more thoroughly to recognize her involvement in Saginaw County Law Day each year and for years of providing courthouse tours]
- ❖ Certificate of Recognition to Tammy Grandy upon her retirement from the Friend of the Court as Custody/Parenting Time Specialist

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved vendor transactions for May 2025 in the amount of \$31,294,873.37.
- Approved the Saginaw County Health Department Immunization Fee Establishment Policy
- Approved contract with Recovery Pathways, LLC for \$250,000 from opioid settlement funds
- Approved increase to FY 2025 Sheriff's Office budget by \$13,500 to compensate for the absence of the Marine Grant this year; \$4,500 to be used for a boat trailer from account (207-31500-64209) and \$9,000 for wages paid to patrol the river from account (101-33100-70500)
- Approved a combined net increase of \$73,000 from the General Fund for 10th Circuit Court due process items: (1) Court Appointed Attorney – Appeals; (2) Transcript Costs – Appeals; (3) Jury Questionnaire Processing to continue operating in FY25; and (4) Court Appointed Attorney Appeals
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement between County of Saginaw and POAM 312 Corrections Officers for the period October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2027

RESOLUTIONS

- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 5** RESOLUTION RE: MDOC - OFFICE OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT
- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 6** RESOLUTION RE: MEDC CDBG-DISASTER RECOVERY GRANT - PUBLIC WORKS
- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 7** RESOLUTION RE: CHEBOYGANING CREEK INTERCOUNTY DRAIN BONDS
- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 8** RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING ENLARGEMENT OF BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE OF REESE, SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN (PROP. #06-12-6-12-1004-003)
- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 9** RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING ENLARGEMENT OF BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE OF REESE, SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN (PROP. #06-12-6-13-1017-000)
- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 10** RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING ENLARGEMENT OF BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE OF REESE, SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN (PROP. #06-12-6-13-1028-000)
- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 11** RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING ENLARGEMENT OF BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE OF REESE, SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN (PROP. #06-12-6-13-1034-000)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Removed Dr. Charles Mueller and Mr. Gene Nuckolls from the Board of Health, with sincere appreciation for their years of service and commitment to our community, creating two (2) vacancies on the Board of Health.
- ✓ Kevin Richard Ginnebaugh, MD, was elected to replace Dr. Russell Bush as Deputy Medical Examiner.

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Chairman Tany announced that on May 22nd the Saginaw County Sheriff's Office held its annual Awards Recognition Event at the Spaulding Township Hall and thanked Commissioner Matthews for being in attendance.
- ❖ Chairman Tany announced that Commissioner Piotrowski and Vice Chair Little were at the Commission on Aging Open House at its new Frankenmuth Senior Center on May 28th.
- ❖ Chairman Tany thanked Commissioner Kaczynski for being present at the Kochville Township signal light ribbon cutting.
- ❖ Chairman Tany thanked Board staff (Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks) for attending the retirement party for Sue Smith, Program Coordinator for the 10th Circuit Recovery Court. He presented a proclamation, and Suzy presented her with a Saginaw County gift bag.
- ❖ Chairman Tany announced another successful employee pancake breakfast. He thanked Commissioner Matthews and Jaime Ceja for putting it together and for volunteering along with himself, Commissioner Piotrowski, Administrator Hannah, and Renee Sharkey from the Board Office.
- ❖ Chairman Tany announced that Commissioner Piotrowski attended the Saginaw Transit Public Hearing and that he discovered Commissioner Piotrowski was there by seeing him on the television news.
- ❖ Chairman Tany announced that he, Commissioner Coney, Vice Chair Little and his wife Linda, Kelly Suppes, and Brian Keenan-Lechel helped to serve food at the Commission on Aging Senior Picnic last Friday at Haithco Park and that both Bill Stanuszek, from Mosquito Control, and the Health Department had a booth there.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- ❖ Commissioner Coney encouraged commissioners to attend Juneteenth events in Saginaw County this weekend. The annual Saginaw Juneteenth Celebration Freedom Parade and Festival will kick off from Hoyt Park at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 21st and end at Morley Plaza downtown, which adjoins the Temple Theatre. At 5:00 p.m., Juneteenth-inspired festivities will continue at Morley Plaza, including food trucks, music, bounce houses, a talent showcase and a 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JACK B. TANY
CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA
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