





**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
MARCH 22, 2022 SESSION**

The **March Session** of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at the Saginaw County Courthouse, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602 with the Honorable Carl E. Ruth in the Chair.

**Present:** Christopher S. Boyd, Carol E. Ewing, Kyle R. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Jack B. Tany, James G. Theisen, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 11

**Absent:** – 0

**Others:** Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Hon. A.T. Frank, Brian Harrison, Krystal Irvine, Zack Robinson, Mark Rankin, Tom Miller, Denny Harris, Jessica Sargent, Kelly Suppes, Brian Wendling, Mary McLaughlin, Undersheriff Mike Gomez, Jennifer Broadfoot, Dave Brown, Bruce Goetz, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Koren Thurston, Leah Puskar, Bill Stanuszek, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Tony DePelsMaeker, Kendall Keys – WNEM TV-5, Kyle Bostwick, Kathy Forsythe, Patricia Eicher, Chris Mefford, Jenny Glysz, Hannah Olsen, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

-  Chairman Ruth asked for a moment of silence for the people of Ukraine
-  Commissioner Krafft gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- o Minutes of the February 22, 2022 Board Session and Minutes of the March 7, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved

**AUDIENCES**

- Chairman Ruth and County Clerk Vanessa Guerra presented Kathy Forsythe with a Special Tribute upon her retirement after 35 years of service.
- Bruce Goetz, Kozy Bail Bonds, spoke in support of rescinding action the Board took in January 2022 to transition to a third party for tether services and stated he would file the appropriate paperwork.
- Hon. A.T. Frank spoke in opposition to allow contracting with a third party vendor for tether services and asked that the matter be brought back to start the process again and bring in stakeholders.

**INITIATORY MOTIONS**

None

**LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- Special Tribute to Kathy Forsythe, County Clerk's Office, upon her retirement after 35 years of service

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Rejected request to rescind previous approval of Board Report 1-18-22-2.1 regarding transition of providing tether services to a third party pending discussions with interested parties
- Approved issuance of \$87,875 in performance-based funding to Saginaw Future, Inc. pursuant to the First Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement
- Approved changes to County Policy #351 – Travel to permit overnight accommodations for a multi-day conference or meeting regardless of distance
- Approved a request from the Building Authority to appropriate an additional \$483,633 in fund balance from the Dow Event Center fund for the replacement of elevators in the parking structure
- Approved the electronic transactions and voucher payments for the month of December 2021
- Approved the FY 2023 Budget Calendar
- Approved an increase to the Maintenance FY 2022 Budget – Salaries & Wages in the amount of \$7,024 to account for a status change for the Maintenance Worker III HVAC Technician position
- Approved amendment of Sheriff’s FY 2022 Budget by \$14,400 using revenue from housing Eaton County juveniles and increase the Law Enforcement Training fund (\$8,450) and Jail Training Fund (\$5,950)
- Approved amendment of the Board of Commissioners’ FY 2022 Budget – Salaries & Wages up to \$7,000 to account for training of the Board Assistant (Office Asst. II) due to resignation
- Approved amendment of the Health Department’s FY 2022 Budget by accepting \$716,800 in additional grant funding from MDHHS for COVID-19 and \$141,307 in additional grant funding for ELC Regional Laboratory
- Approved a request to use up to \$35,000 in 2022 Capital Improvement Funds to replace the Prosecutor’s county-owned vehicle
- Approved submission of the 2021 Audited Financial Statements prior to March 31, 2022
- Approved extension of the Personal Services contract with Amy Deford, former Retirement/Benefits Coordinator, from March 14, 2022 – June 10, 2022
- Approved a temporary PCN to allow for training a successful applicant to the Board Assistant (Office Assistant II) position
- Approved a change to the Foster Grandparent Program Assistant PCN (#238009) from part-time to full-time at Commission on Aging
- Approved allowing the Controller to engage in negotiations with the Saginaw School District regarding the potential sale of the entire Mosquito Abatement/Maintenance property
- Approved the engagement of William A. Kibbe & Associates to assess property on Davenport as a relocation site for Mosquito Abatement/Maintenance/Public Works Field Office, prepare site assessment documents, and evaluate potential school sites and additional sites
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 3-22-22.1, 3-22-22.2 and 3-22-22.3

## RESOLUTIONS

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| Approved Res. 2022 – 1 | Resolution Authorizing Application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for Imerman Memorial Park ADA Improvements - \$300,000       |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 2 | Resolution Authorizing Application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for Price nature Center - \$94,970                           |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 3 | Resolution of Agency Pursuant to Section 87c of Act 206  |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 4 | Resolution to Borrow Against Anticipated Delinquent 2021 Real Property Taxes   |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 5 | Resolution Urging State Legislature to Amend the Michigan Auto Insurance Reform Act to Address a Reimbursement Cap for Auto Accident Victims |

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

## APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Reappointed Seth Perigo to the **Economic Development Authority** to fill a vacancy with a term to expire April 1, 2028

## ELECTIONS

- Elected Jeffrey Collier, Ed.D. to the **Board of Health** to fill a vacancy, with a term to expire December 31, 2025
- Appointed/Reappointed the following individuals to the **Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority**:
  - Mike Cierzniewski (Primary Consumer) – *Reappointment*
  - Robert Woods (Secondary Consumer) – *Reappointment*
  - Lisa Coney (General Public) – *New Appointment to fill a vacancy*
  - Andrea Schrems (Agency/Occupation) – *Reappointment*
  - Joan Williams (General Public) – *New Appointment to fill a vacancy that expires 3/31/23*
  - Deb Nagel (Primary Consumer) – *New Appointment to fill a vacancy that expires 3/31/24*

## CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

## COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft wished everyone a Happy Easter and invited everyone to join him at the Easter Sunrise Service (Sunday, April 17, 2022 at 6:30 a.m.) at St. Lorenz Lutheran Church in Frankenmuth.

Respectfully Submitted,

**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN**

**VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK**

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