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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 21, 2022 SESSION

The June Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 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, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Tracey L. Slodowski, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 10

Absent: Kyle R. Harris – 1

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Dave Gilbert, Norm Bamberger, Zack Robinson, Katie Kelly, Tim Novak, Brian Wendling, Bill Stanuszek, Denny Harris, Jessica Sargent, Jennifer Broadfoot, Koren Thurston, Undersheriff Mike Gomez, Mary McLaughlin, Lisa Coney, Megan Cottingham-Heath, Sara Cottingham-Heath, Isaac Blackmon, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Debra Burch Smith, Justin Engel – MLive, Marissa Sawdon, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

🇺🇸 Commissioner Matthews gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the May 10, 2022 Special Board Session, May 17, 2022 Board Session, and June 1, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved

AUDIENCES

- Megan Cottingham-Heath announced her candidacy for the 10th Circuit Court Judge vacancy

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificates of Recognition to Larry Prueter (47 years) and Robert Palmer (30 years) for their years of service to the Taymouth Township Fire Department
- Certificate of Recognition to Beth Miller, Probate Court Deputy Register, upon her retirement after 20 years of service
- Certificate to Frankenmuth, Michigan and Gunzenhausen, Germany in celebration of their 60th Anniversary as Sister Cities
- Certificate of Recognition to Carl M. Williams presented at a Juneteenth Celebration on June 19, 2022
- Proclamation for June 19, 2022 as a celebration of Juneteenth in Saginaw County

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved Mosquito Abatement Commission millage language to be placed on the November 8, 2022 county-wide ballot to levy up to 1.0 Mill of Taxable Valuation for a period of twenty (20) years
- Approved the terms and conditions of the sale of the Mosquito Abatement Commission property at 211 Congress and 1601 N. Niagara from Saginaw County to the Saginaw Public School District
- Approved Mosquito Abatement Commission to engage William A. Kibbe & Associates and AKT Peerless to assess the Towerline site and facility, perform a Phase I Environmental Assessment, and draft/produce facility plans and construction documents for \$628,300
- Approved an increase in the Animal Care & Control carcass disposal fee from \$15 to \$32 due to escalating operational expenses
- Approved Commission on Aging using \$65,792.25 from unrestricted fund balance to cover the cost of a new, modified food delivery truck
- Approved an Architectural & Engineering Services Proposal for \$126,000 from Kibbe & Associates related to the former Sheriff Administration Building and relocation of four (4) county offices; further, to amend the General Fund to appropriate an additional \$117,025 in fund balance
- Approved extension of a current contract with Amy Deford, retired Benefits Administrator from June 11, 2022 – Sept. 10, 2022
- Approved the transition of five (5) Legal Clerk I positions to five (5) Legal Specialist I positions within the County Clerk's Office
- Referred the request by Elected Officials to amend County Policy #335 "Compensation" by establishing a future separation of not less than 15% between the elected position and the highest pay grade within that office back to the Labor Relations Committee in August for further discussion and analysis
- Approved American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funding allocation referrals on Internal Requests
- The request to engage Guidehouse for up to \$250,000 to review approved ARPA funding requests for compliance and perform required reporting was Commissioner Privileged and will appear on the August 16, 2022 Board Agenda under Unfinished Business
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 6-21-22.1 and 6-21-22.2

RESOLUTIONS

- Approved Resolution 2022 – 7, Resolution Approving the Oakley Sewage Disposal System Improvements Between the Department of Public Works and the County of Saginaw

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Chairman Ruth appointed Kelley Peatross and Chad Wurtzel to the **Michigan Works! Workforce Development Board** with terms to expire June 30, 2024

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Re-elected Christina Harrington to the **Mid-State Health Network - Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Board** for a term to expire August 31, 2025

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth reminded everyone of the Committee of the Whole on Monday, June 27, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. regarding the FY 2023 Budget and the next Board Session is August 16, 2022.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Tany attended the Commission on Aging Senior Picnic at Haithco last week and commented on what an awesome event it was. He stated the weather and turn-out was great, and that the volunteer effort was incredible, with specific praise for Jessica Sargent and Brian Keenan-Lechel.
- Commissioner Krafft announced the Frankenmuth churches have an Independence Day celebration on July 4, 2022 beginning at 9:30 a.m. with a program at 10:00 a.m. at the Harvey Kern Pavilion and everyone is invited to attend.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

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