



**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 14, 2021 SESSION**

The December Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 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

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Kyle Bostwick, Krystal Irvine, Leah Puskar, Patti Johnson, Zack Robinson, Hurley Coleman, Christina Harrington, Jessica Sargent, Hannah Olsen, Suzy Koeplinger, Cindy Louchart, and others

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the November 16, 2021 Board Session and November 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole were approved.

AUDIENCES

- Christina Harrington, Health Officer/Director, presented a COVID-19 Update (*On file*)

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificate of Recognition to Dorothy Zehnder on her 100th Birthday

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved placement of a mural on the south end of the Public Health building as part of a community grant for substance abuse disorders
- Approved an Affiliation Agreement with Central Michigan University – College of Medicine
- Approved utilization of \$475,000 in Parks & Recreation fund balance in FY 2022 to complete the installation of a splash pad, playground and amenities at Haithco Recreation Area
- Approved electronic transactions and voucher payments for the months of September, October and November 2021
- Approved reconfiguring the cashier area in the Treasurer's Office to accommodate new Tyler cashier drawers and computers for \$12,000 by using \$8,000 from Acct. No. 245-44400-93100 with the remainder from the Public Improvement Fund
- Approved an increase to the Foster Grandparent program at Commission on Aging to accommodate unspent federal grant funds permitted to roll over FY 2022 in the amount of \$65,000; and to transfer funds in the amount of \$4,750 from Community Promotion to Special Events
- Approved utilizing \$21,500 in fund balance for Commission on Aging to enter into a Professional Service Agreement with WTA Architects for a Building Assessment and Concept Design for the main building and Marie Davis Center

- Approved compensating those county employees 65 and older by offering \$500 in lieu of the \$500 HSA contribution, with the additional 7.65% FICA portion to be covered by the County and effective January 1, 2022
- Approved extension of the \$500 COVID vaccination incentive payment to those who attempted to become fully vaccinated by the October 31, 2021 deadline but were informed by a medical professional they should not receive the second dose
- Approved changes to County Policy #343 “Employee Insurance” and County Policy #346 “Retirement” to reflect healthcare changes
- Approved amendment of County Policy #325 “Drug-Free Workplace” to allow for reapplication after thirty (30) days of disqualification
- Approved establishment of a PCN and create a new position of Account Specialist II dedicated to handling the Principal Residence Exemption program
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between Saginaw County and TPOAM regarding District Court employees working out of classification
- Approved two (2) Memorandums of Understanding between Saginaw County and COAM (Sergeants) / POAM (Deputies) regarding the move to a high deductible health plan and opt out of PA 152
- Approved amendment of County Policy #365 “COVID-19 Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act Policy” to add language related to testing
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between Saginaw County and UAW Local 455 - Unit 48 (Managers)
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and UAW Local 455 - Unit 50 (Professionals)
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and UAW Local 455 - Unit 49 (Paraprofessionals)
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and TPOAM - Circuit Court, Probate Court, District Court & Elected Officials
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and GELC District Court Probation Officers
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and POAM - Detention Supervisors
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and POAM - Family Division Probation Officers
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and POAM - Detention Youth Care Specialists
- Approved requests for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for (1a) Up to \$300,000 for engineering services related to installing and deploying permanent upgrade or replacement of Governmental Center air handling units/HVAC system; (1b) \$42,000 to purchase and deploy portable air purifiers; (2) \$2,465 for Saginaw County masks already purchased and \$2,500 for 10,000 disposable masks to be purchased by Emergency Management; (3) Personnel to provide COVID screening for \$30,202; and (4) Personnel to manage employee COVID cases for \$36,346
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 12-14-21.1 and 12-14-21.2

RESOLUTIONS

- Approved Res. “A” – RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILLS 597 AND 598
- Approved Res. “B” – APPROVING APPORTIONMENT OF OPERATIONAL COSTS and ACCEPTING FOR FILE THE FISCAL 2022 BUDGET OF THE SAGINAW AREA STORM WATER AUTHORITY
- Approved Res. “C” – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTRY OF PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS IN PARTIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION
- Approved Res. “D” – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTRY OF STATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT INTRASTATE AGREEMENT CONCERNING ALLOCATION OF SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN THE NATIONAL OPIOIDS LITIGATION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Appointed Carol Ewing, Patricia O'Brien, Jonna Scharf, and William Ostash to the **Animal Control Advisory Council** for a term that expires December 31, 2024
- ✓ Appointed Timothy Morales, Steve Jonas, and Rob Grose to the **Brownfield Redevelopment Authority** for terms that expire December 31, 2024
- ✓ Appointed Kevin Krupp to the **Environmental Health Code Board of Appeals** with a term that expires January 1, 2025
- ✓ Appointed Maria McCarville to the **Library Board** with a term to expire May 31, 2026
- ✓ Appointed Raquel Ledesma Perez and Eva Szelesi to the **Michigan Works! Workforce Development Board** for terms that expire June 30, 2023
- ✓ Appointed Rene DeSander for a term that expires January 1, 2025 and David Gutierrez for a term that expires January 1, 2024 to the **Mosquito Abatement Commission**
- ✓ Appointed Terry Nichols and Ace Armstrong to the **Solid Waste Management Planning Committee** for terms that expire December 31, 2024

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Elected Gene Nuckolls, Dr. Charles E. Mueller, Calvin Williams, and Dr. Stephanie Duggan to the **Board of Health** to 3-year terms that expire December 31, 2024
- ✓ Elected Gerald Little, Azola Williams, and Demond Tibbs to the **Parks & Recreation Commission** to 3-year terms that expire January 1, 2025

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth thanked everyone for their commitment to the Board of Commissioners and presented Board Staff with a Christmas gift.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Ewing announced a Food Drive in Birch Run at Don's Foodland on Friday, December 17, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. where they will accept food, clothes and gifts for charity and at the Bridgeport Kroger on Saturday, December 18, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Commissioner Winiecke announced a Freeland Chamber of Commerce event at the Sports Zone on Thursday, December 16, 2021.
- Commissioner Matthews announced he had a Kid's Coat Drive and there are 50 – 60 coats still to give away if anyone knows someone in need. Coats are located at Santa's Workshop at the corner of Court and Bay.
- Commissioner Krafft suggested that anyone lacking in Christmas spirit should head to Frankenmuth, MI and drive up and down Main Street, as the decorations this year are the best ever.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

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