

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.**  
**111 S. Michigan Ave., Rm. 200, Saginaw, MI 48602**

Present: Christopher Boyd – Chairman, Gerald Little, Jack Tany, Michael Webster, Denny Harris  
Others: Dave Gilbert, L. William Smith, Koren Thurston, Richard Spitzer, Mary McLaughlin,  
Bill Stanuszek, Catherine Hicks, Marissa Sawdon, and Suzy Koeplinger

- I. Call to Order **---Boyd at 4:02 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes **(November 14, 2023 Minutes)**  
**---Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment **---None**
  - *Speakers limited to 3 minutes*
- V. Agenda
  1. **L. William Smith, County Civil Counsel, re:**
    - Discussion and action on a Purchase Agreement for a portion of acreage on Towerline Rd., Buena Vista, for Mosquito Abatement Department  
**L. William Smith explained that negotiations went well with Saginaw Public Schools and they came to a consensus.**  
**---Moved by Tany, seconded by Webster, to authorize civil counsel to negotiate and purchase 20 acres of the Towerline Road property, including all buildings and improvements for the sum of \$500,000. This would include the authorization of procurement of the legal description and survey drawing representing the purchase. Further, authorizing the expenditure of \$1,500 of Mosquito Abatement Fund Balance for the survey and drawing. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
    - Discussion and action on waiver of policy regarding hiring a contractor  
**---Moved by Webster, seconded by Harris, to authorize civil counsel to negotiate a design-build with Hendrick Construction for the sum of up to the total of available fund balance of Mosquito Abatement, and waiver of all provisions in Purchasing Policy #241 related to competitive bidding for the purpose of negotiating a design-build contract. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
- VI. Miscellaneous **---None**
- VII. Adjournment **---Moved by Harris, seconded by Tany, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:40 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christopher Boyd, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

# MINUTES

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.  
111 S. Michigan Ave., Rm. 200, Saginaw, MI 48602

Present: Christopher Boyd – Chairman, Gerald Little, Jack Tany, Michael Webster, Denny Harris  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, L. William Smith, Koren Thurston, Kelly Suppes, Lisa Coney, Richard Spitzer, Mary McLaughlin, Bill Stanuszek, Catherine Hicks, and Suzy Koeplinger

- I. Call to Order ---**Chairman Boyd at 4:04 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (*January 16, 2024 Minutes*)  
---**Moved by Little, seconded by Tany, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment ---**None**
  - *Speakers limited to 3 minutes*
- V. Agenda

1. **L. William Smith, County Civil Counsel, re:**

- Requesting approval of the Purchase Agreement for 705 N. Towerline between Saginaw County and the Saginaw Public School District (*On file*); and  
---**Civil Counsel Smith provided a brief history on the acquisition of the property by Saginaw County and explained the delay in acquiring the property was due to a quiet title issue. Phase I and Phase II environmental studies have been completed.**  
---**After discussion, Webster moved, seconded by Tany, to approve. Motion carried.**
- Requesting approval of the Owner/Design-Builder Agreement between Saginaw County and R.C. Hendrick & Son, Inc. for renovation of property and buildings at 705 Towerline Rd., Buena Vista (*On file*)  
---**Discussion was held with Civil Counsel Smith and Bill Stanuszek, Mosquito Abatement Commission Director, regarding the AIA Document – Agreement between Owner and Design-Builder. Committee members decided to consider separately the total base amount for the remodel/addition/site work (\$6,890,351) and items on the Schedule of Alternates:**
  - **Item #1 – Cleaning Tank Addition Complete (\$484,820)**
  - **Item #2 – Move Gas Tank Dispenser Complete (\$100,000)**
  - **Item #3 – New Paint Booth (\$112,000)**

**After discussion:**

---**Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to approve the total amount of \$6,890,351 for the base amount. Motion carried.**

---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Tany, to approve Items #1, #2, and #3 collectively (\$696,820). Motion carried.**

**(Board Report)**

2. **Chairman Boyd, re:**

- Update on Ad hoc committees (Opioid Settlement and Broadband) and HVAC situation  
---**Chairman Boyd provided an update on the Opioid Settlement and Broadband committees. (Minutes on file in the Board Office and the county website)**  
---**The Administrator is now involved with the HVAC situation at the courthouse and has met with the Chairman, Maintenance Director, Ron Moulton from MacMillan Associates (Engineering) and Tony Kirby from Mid-State (Asbestos). She is taking the lead and will put together a summary for commissioners.**

3. Any other matters to come before the committee

- **2-20-13 ADMINISTRATOR** requesting approval of an Agreement for the transfer of SLFRF funds from the County of Saginaw to the City of Saginaw for the development project commonly known as the “Medical Diamond”  
---**Moved by Tany, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)**

VI. Miscellaneous ---**Chairman Boyd asked for suggestions on planning a “Grand Reopening” of the Dow Event Center to showcase all of the renovations and improvements. Discussion was held regarding partnership with the Convention & Visitors Bureau or the Chamber of Commerce. The Administrator mentioned the naming rights agreement is due to expire this year and there was discussion regarding signage and using the Saginaw County seal. Discussion was also held on the Medical Diamond project and beginning of the infrastructure process, with the result being transformative to the city and county by revitalizing and invigorating the waterfront through cleanup and landscape design.**

VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Webster, seconded by Tany, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 5:12 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christopher Boyd, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

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# County of Saginaw

## Board of Commissioners



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March 11, 2024

DISTRICT #2  
JACK B. TANY

**CANCELLATION NOTICE**

DISTRICT #3  
RICHARD A. SPITZER

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

DISTRICT #4  
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TO: Christopher Boyd, Chair  
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As addressed -

DISTRICT #7  
DENNIS H. KRAFFT

Please be advised that the **Tuesday, March 12, 2024** meeting of the Executive Committee has been **CANCELLED**. The next meeting is scheduled to be held April 9, 2024.

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GERALD D. LITTLE

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to call me.

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CHRISTOPHER S. BOYD

Sincerely,

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c: Mary Catherine Hannah, Administrator  
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April 5, 2024

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May 10, 2024

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# MINUTES

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 11, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.

111 S. Michigan Ave., Rm. 200, Saginaw, MI 48602

Present: Christopher Boyd – Chairman, Gerald Little, Jack Tany, Michael Webster, Denny Harris

Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Jennifer Broadfoot, Kelly Suppes, Undersheriff Gomez, Darcie Totten, Richard Spitzer, Tracey Slodowski, Mark Piotrowski, Sheldon Matthews, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to Order ---**Chairman Boyd at 4:02 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**February 13, 2024 Minutes**)  
---**Moved by Tany, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment ---**None**
  - *Speakers limited to 3 minutes*
- V. Agenda
  1. **Chairman Boyd, re:**
    - Michigan Works! Fiduciary Selection  
---**Discussion was held regarding the request made in March 2024 (Comm. No. 3-19-5) to the County Services Committee to appoint Kristen Wenzel as its Chief Executive Officer (CEO).**  
---**Moved by Tany, seconded by Little, to approve the request. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
  2. **Closed Session, re:**
    - Discussion of attorney-client privileged communication regarding pending litigation pursuant to MCL 15.268(e). Pyscher vs. Saginaw County  
---**The Chair announced the need to meet in Closed Session as noted above. Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to go into closed session. Roll-call was unanimous at 4:35 p.m.**  
---**The Committee entered open session at 4:49 p.m. Harris moved, seconded by Tany, to approve the recommendation of counsel regarding the settlement of Pyscher vs. Saginaw County. Motion carried.**
  3. Any other matters to come before the committee
    - **Discussion was held regarding “Chalk It Up” and Saginaw Intermediate School District’s request to use county property to display positive messages about early childhood education. County Administrator, Mary Catherine Hannah, to facilitate.**
- VI. Miscellaneous
  - **Discussion was held on the cost of the elevator at the Dow Event Center and the desire to pursue reimbursement for the incurred costs.**
- VII. Adjournment  
---**Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:56 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christopher Boyd, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

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August 9, 2024

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# MINUTES

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Present: Christopher Boyd – Chairman, Gerald Little, Jack Tany, Michael Webster, Denny Harris  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Kelly Suppes, Undersheriff Gomez, Darcie Totten, Richard Spitzer, Mark Piotrowski, Lisa Coney, Mary McLaughlin, Rachel Horton, Reneé Johnston, Bonny Kanicki, Linda Harper, Karen Angers, Raluca Chludil, Walter Ribble, Jane Collins, Sam Tany, Eugene Seals Jr., Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to Order ---**Chairman Boyd at 4:02 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (***June 11, 2024 Minutes***)  
---**Moved by Little, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment
  - ***Reneé Johnson, President and CEO of Saginaw Community Foundation, requested more County participation and would like to host conversations about projects.***
- V. Agenda
  1. **Rachel Horton, Director, Saginaw County Animal Care & Control, re:**
    - **9-17-13** Requested to increase its FY 2024 budget up to \$125,000 to cover shortfalls in various line items, including building insurance, grounds maintenance, spay/neuter services, and kennel staff using fund balance and donations, with no impact on the General Fund  
***---Discussion was held; it was disclosed that, until now, donations have been reserved and accumulating steadily. The 2024 budget was completed before Director Horton accepted her position and before the building was in operation. Job descriptions for two veterinarian technicians, a secretary, and one veterinarian are in process. There have been recent complaints about Animal Care & Control staff. Tany pointed out that not all the calls commissioners receive about Animal Control are negative; many people have positive things to say.***  
***---Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.***
  2. **Undersheriff Miguel Gomez, re:**
    - **9-17-14\*** Requesting to increase its FY 2024 Vehicle Fund by \$25,000 funded by user departments: Law Enforcement (\$21,250); General Fund (\$2,500); Selective Enforcement (\$750); and Emergency Management (\$500)  
***---Chairman Boyd expressed the Board's and Finance Department's disapproval of the inaction taken by Undersheriff Gomez regarding not bringing this request to the Budget/Audit Committee but waiting until the day of the Board Meeting to make his request.***

***Undersheriff stated that the invoices received were unanticipated and he estimated the cost of outstanding bills before deciding on the present amount to request. Undersheriff disclosed that there are matters to resolve with staffing, and responded he could have contacted a commissioner to have an Initiatory Motion presented for approval at the Board meeting instead. Boyd urged him to get someone onboard who can oversee the budget.  
---Moved by Tany, seconded by Little, to approve.***

3. **Chairman Boyd, re:**

- Board of Commissioners – facilities usage  
***---Administrator Hannah is developing a policy regarding how outside requests for use of county space will be granted. She discussed an application process, fee amount for use of the Board Room and that accommodations must be made, prior to use, for paying deputies overtime. She has the first draft done and it will be ready to review in October.***
- Board of Commissioners – youth/student commissioners  
***---Discussion was held about the Youth Student Commissioners. Darren Bagley is the contact person from MSU Extension who will meet with Administrator Hannah. Additional information is expected shortly. This program is not anticipated to create a substantial burden on commissioners.***

4. Any other matters to come before the committee ***---None***

VI. Miscellaneous – Discussion of BOC Holiday Gathering

***---The Administrator suggested that county buildings close on December 13, 2024 to complete security training in the Heritage Theater at the Dow Event Center in the morning and have the Christmas party in the afternoon from 12:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Red Room. The Dow is available that day. Closing for only one day would allow the county buildings to be more accessible. Commissioners indicated approval for this plan.***

***---Tany recommended authorizing employees to attend a Saginaw Spirit hockey game.***

VII. Adjournment

***---Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:48 p.m.***

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christopher Boyd, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koepplinger, Committee Clerk

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**COMMISSIONERS**

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October 4, 2024

DISTRICT #2  
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**POSTPONED**

DISTRICT #3  
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As addressed -

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DENNIS H. KRAFFT

Please be advised that the Tuesday, October 8, 2024 meeting of the Executive Committee has been **POSTPONED** to **Tuesday, October 15, 2024** at 4:00 p.m. prior to the Board Session.

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Absent: Gerald Little

Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Kelly Suppes, Darcie Totten, Richard Spitzer, Mark Piotrowski, Lisa Coney, Mary McLaughlin, Jaime Ceja, Hurley Coleman III, Wayne Hofmann, Carmen Mora, Dylan Hellus, Patricia Johnson, Abbey Stemple, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to Order---**Chairman Boyd at 4:02 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**September 17, 2024 Minutes**)  
---**Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment --- **None**
- V. Agenda  
(*Referral from Budget/Audit Committee*)
  1. **Dylan Hellus, Carmen Mora, and Wayne Hofmann, Covenant/Saginaw-Shiawassee Habitat for Humanity, and Hurley Coleman III, CAC re:**
    - 10-15-16** request for \$700,000 ARPA Housing appropriation to complete the gap between the building costs and the MI Neighborhoods Program and request for \$250,000 of ARPA funding to support critical structural and weatherization repairs to homes throughout Saginaw County, specifically those outside the city limits.  
---**Discussion was held. Moved by Tany, seconded by Webster, to approve both options #1 & #2. Motion carried with a Nay vote from Commissioner Harris.**
  2. Any other matters to come before the committee ---**None**
- VI. Miscellaneous ---Discussion of open enrollment for insurance  
---**Open enrollment begins on October 30, 2024 and the Health Fair will be November 1<sup>st</sup>. More time is needed to meet with unions and management in order to bring renewal numbers for health insurance to the Board for approval. It cannot be completed before the Board Session later today. The County Administrator will send out the information tomorrow to the Board and schedule one more Union/Management meeting. A special Board Session will be held; the date and time to be decided at today's Board session.**
- VII. Adjournment  
---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Tany, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:50 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christopher Boyd, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

# MINUTES

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Monday, October 28, 2024 – 3:30 p.m.

111 S. Michigan Ave., Rm. 200, Saginaw, MI 48602

Present: Gerald Little, Jack Tany, Michael Webster, Denny Harris  
Absent: Christopher Boyd  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, L. W. Smith, Jr., Jennifer Broadfoot, Darcie Totten, Mark Piotrowski, Richard Spitzer, Lisa Coney, Tracey Slodowski, Jaime Ceja, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Patricia Johnson, Isaac Blackmon, Tom Heidger, Suzy Koepplinger, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to Order ---***Vice-Chairman Tany at 3:30 p.m.***
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (***October 15, 2024 Minutes***)  
---***Moved by Webster, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.***
- IV. Public Comment---***None***
- V. Agenda

1. **Patricia Johnson, Retirement/Benefits Administrator**, re:

- **10-28-1** Request for approval to establish county and employee contributions to health insurance and review a Resolution to opt out of P.A. 152  
---***Discussion was held. Commissioner Webster asked for a side-by-side comparison of rates from last year to this year. The Retirement/Benefits Administrator provided the requested information as follows:***

	<u>Single</u>	<u>2-Person</u>	<u>Family</u>
2024	\$40/month	\$160/month	\$120/month
2025	\$50/month	\$120/month	\$150/month

***The question was asked if the unions approve. Retirement/Benefits Administrator Johnson advised there were three Union/Management meetings held. At the last meeting, an informal vote was taken and all were in favor of the rates and employer/employee contributions.***

---***Moved by Little, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.***

2. \* **Brian Keenan Lechel, Parks Director**, re:

- Request to purchase property (3655 Midland Road) directly adjacent to Immerman Park  
---***Discussion was held. Director Keenan-Lechel advised the committee that the property consists of 14 acres North of Immerman Park. Owning this property would allow for expansion of the unleashed dog park area and the trail along the river. It would also provide space to launch kayaks and to potentially build a fishing platform. Commissioner Webster asked if contamination of the river could limit any future sale of the property. Restrictions on the property in the flood plain area were disclosed. The easement does not apply to the farmhouse. Discussion was held regarding keeping or selling the partially renovated 3,000 square foot farmhouse located on the property.***

***---Moved by Webster, seconded by Little, to authorize Brian Keenan-Lechel and Mary Catherine Hannah to offer a purchase agreement for 3655 Midland Rd. in Saginaw, the exact amount of the offer to be determined, and purchase contingent upon full Board approval on November 19, 2024. Motion carried.***

3. Any other matters to come before the committee ***---None***

VI. Miscellaneous ***---None***

VII. Adjournment

***---Moved by Little, seconded by Harris, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 3:58 p.m.***

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jack Tany, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

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November 8, 2024

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**CANCELLATION NOTICE**

DISTRICT #3  
RICHARD A. SPITZER

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

DISTRICT #4  
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TO: Christopher Boyd, Chair  
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Michael Webster  
Dennis Harris

DISTRICT #5  
TRACEY L. SLODWSKI

DISTRICT #6  
DENNY M. HARRIS

As addressed -

DISTRICT #7  
DENNIS H. KRAFFT

Please be advised that the **Tuesday, November 12, 2024** meeting of the Executive Committee has been **CANCELLED**. The next meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2024 at 4:00 PM.

DISTRICT #8  
GERALD D. LITTLE

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

DISTRICT #9  
CHRISTOPHER S. BOYD

Sincerely,

DISTRICT #10  
LISA R. CONEY

**Suzy Koeplinger**  
Board Coordinator

DISTRICT #11  
MICHAEL A. WEBSTER

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# MINUTES

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Wednesday, December 4, 2024 – 4:30 p.m.  
111 S. Michigan Ave., Rm. 200, Saginaw, MI 48602

Present: Christopher Boyd – Chairman, Gerald Little, Jack Tany, Michael Webster, Denny Harris  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Rich Spitzer, Lisa Coney, Kelly Suppes, Jaime Ceja, Darcie Totten, Brian Wendling, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Jonathan Webb, Katharine Tessin, Kevin Murphy, William Stanuszek, Isaac Blackmon, Connie Reppuhn, Kitty Packard, Anna McGrath, Nicole Lee, Alethea Taylor, Amaya Bradley, Shalana Bradley, Gregory Willis, Whitney Brodus, Judi Lincoln, Angela Miller, Angela Bradley, Candis Thomas, Ceylon Williams Bettis, Marlana Cork, Terry Pruitt, Brandell Adams, Ralph Martin, Chris Pryor, Nahcia Powell, Marcia Thomas, Alexis Thomas, Joyce Harvin, Suzy Koepplinger, Renee Sharkey, Catherine Hicks and ABC12 News, and others

- I. Call to Order ---**Chairman Boyd at 4:34 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**October 28, 2024 Minutes**)  
---**Moved by Tany, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.**  
---**Moved by Webster, seconded by Tany, to suspend board rules and allow Commissioner Krafft to sit at the board table as an Ex officio member of the Executive Committee. Motion carried.**
  - Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*)
    - Shalana Bradley, mother of Amaya Bradley, gave honor to her daughter as she is the first Black American and youngest person to hold the position of Saginaw Township Trustee. She voiced her displeasure with Commissioner Spitzer’s “slanderous” comment and the way it has destroyed Amaya’s good name. Shalana spoke of how proud she and many people are of Amaya and how Commissioner Spitzer’s Facebook post affected them at a time that should have been celebratory. Shalana shared that Amaya graduated with honors from Great Lakes Bay College and that Amaya cared for her during her struggle with breast cancer. Ms. Bradley asked if Richard Spitzer, Saginaw County Commissioner, represents Saginaw County and if he is the “face of your brand?”
    - Ralph Martin, father of a daughter, requested that the commissioners not accept Commissioner Spitzer’s behavior as normal and stated that downgrading newly elected officials should not be allowed. Mr. Martin said that he doesn’t want future potential candidates to be discouraged. He stated that both women (Amaya Bradley, Saginaw Township Trustee and Amaya Bradley, whose pictures were inappropriately referenced in Commissioner Spitzer’s Facebook post) are victims as they were wronged by an individual in power.
    - Chris Prior, Victorious Believer’s Minister, spoke of the joy of Amaya Bradley, her mom Shalana, and her three brothers (2 in college) and spoke highly of the family. He expressed the significance of the power of voting and the influence that leaders’ words and actions have and acknowledging the weight of the influence Amaya has on young people, they are encouraged by her. He said that he prayed for Commissioner Spitzer’s conscience and wanted him to understand the damage he’s done. He thanked the commissioners for what they do for the county.

IV. Agenda

1. To consider available options to the Board of Commissioners regarding a social media post made by Commissioner Spitzer directed at another elected official

***---Discussion was held. Chairman Boyd stated that all commissioners had been contacted about Commissioner Spitzer's Facebook post. He announced this committee will discuss their ability to remove/recall Commissioner Spitzer, educate the public about what options are available and discuss all known options. He asked Civil Counsel, Dave Gilbert, to speak about any laws that would apply to this incident and County Administrator, Hannah, to discuss options pertaining to ethical considerations. Attorney Gilbert stated that according to MCL 46.11 neither the chairman nor the board are authorized to remove Commissioner Spitzer from office. There are no clearly applicable laws pertaining to this situation. He cannot be removed except by order of the Governor and due to commissioners' terms being increased to 4 years, a recall cannot happen until January 26, 2025. Commissioner Little asked if Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) could be a resource. Administrator Hannah said that they have no additional authority, but they could advise. Administrator Hannah discussed Unacceptable Practices Policy 6.1.10 in that it only applies to employees and not elected officials. Commissioner Webster discussed the Mission and Value Statements and that commissioners, as leaders, should be held to higher standards than employees. Administrator Hannah advised that some counties have Code of Conduct contracts that elected officials have signed. Chairman Boyd read Grand Traverse County's Rules of Ethics and Professional Conduct. It was determined that Commissioner Spitzer's offense does not qualify as cyberbullying. According to MCL Section 750.411x the message or statement must be intended to place a person in fear of bodily harm or death and express an intent to commit violence against the person and be posted with the intent to communicate a threat or with knowledge that it will be viewed as a threat. Cyberbullying does not apply in this instance. Commissioner Harris inquired about what other counties have done. Administrator Hannah advised a censure by resolution as well as removal from committees has been done in the past. Robert's Rules of Order addresses a motion of censure as acceptable parliamentary procedure. The Rules Committee may discuss and review the option of adding elected officials to County Policies. Vice-Chair Tany advised that two boards have asked for Commissioner Spitzer's removal. The commissioners spoke about the last 14 days being chaos and never receiving an apology from Commissioner Spitzer for the disruption to their lives that this incident has caused. Commissioner Webster mentioned the effort commissioners have put into improving Saginaw County's reputation and the "stain" this incident has put on the county. Commissioner Krafft does not want to be viewed in the same regard as Commissioner Spitzer an aging, white, Republican male. He urged commissioners to take steps toward Commissioner Spitzer's resignation. Commissioner Little spoke of the relationship he and Commissioner Spitzer built and the difference between who he initially presented himself to be compared to how his actions have shown him to actually be.***

***---Motion by Little to approve the proposed Resolution of Censure with language to be adopted at the full Board, seconded by Tany. Motion carried.***

***---Motion by Webster to remove committee assignments from Richard Spitzer effective 12/10/24 if approved by the Board, seconded by Little. Motion carried.***

2. Any other matters to come before the committee - None

V. Miscellaneous - None

VI. Adjournment

***---Moved by Harris, seconded by Tany, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 5:37 p.m.***

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher Boyd, Committee Chair

Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk