

# MINUTES

## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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

**Wednesday, January 10, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little, Christopher Boyd  
Absent: Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair  
Others: Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Bill Smith, Tim Novak, Richard Spitzer, Darcie Graham, Jennifer Broadfoot, Brian Wendling, Dennis Borchard, Dan Armentrout, Phillip Karwat, Lacey Ziola, Kristen Wenzel, Christopher Embrey, Vaughn Begick, Ray Ogden, Chris Klawuhn, Suzy Koeplinger, Marissa Sawdon and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**December 6, 2023**)  
**---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment ---**None**  
(Speakers limited to 3 minutes)
- V. Agenda
  1. **Brian Wendling, Public Works Commissioner**, re:
    - **1-16-4** Requesting approval of a Full Faith and Credit Resolution for the Smith Drain project  
**---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried. (Res. 2024-1)**
    - **1-16-5** Requesting revisions and updates to Saginaw County Ordinance #114, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control, as approved by EGLE  
**---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
  2. **Dennis Borchard, Saginaw County Road Commission**, re:
    - **1-16-6** Requesting a road millage proposal be placed on the August 6, 2024 primary ballot for levy of 2 mills during the years 2024 – 2029, estimated to raise \$12,798,863 to repair, re-build, and restore existing county roads  
**---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to approve, subject to verifying the estimated levied amount. Motion carried with a nay vote for Harris. (Board Report)**
  3. **Kristen Wenzel, Interim CEO, MichiganWorks!**, re:
    - **1-16-7** Submitting a presentation and requesting support to change fiscal agent as required by its interlocal agreement  
**---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Harris, to table to allow time for review. Motion carried. (Tabled)**

4. **Chairman Boyd, re:**

- **1-16-8** Discussion of notice from EGLE, of the initiation to replace the existing county Solid Waste Management Plans with the new Materials Management Plans  
**---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Harris, to approve the recommendation to designate the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners as the CAA. Motion carried. (Board Report)**

5. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**

- **1-16-9** **CITY OF SAGINAW** submitting a Notice of Public Hearing on January 22, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 1315 S. Washington Ave., on its intent to create a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone – Covenant 1 by adoption of a resolution anticipated at its regular meeting of March 4, 2024
  
- **1-16-10** **CITY OF SAGINAW** submitting a Notice of Public Hearing on January 22, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 1315 S. Washington Ave., on its intent to create a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone – Covenant 2 by adoption of a resolution anticipated at its regular meeting of March 4, 2024  
**---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to receive and file. Motion carried. (Receive & File)**

VI. Miscellaneous ---None

VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 5:22 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

# MINUTES

## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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

**Wednesday, February 7, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Christopher Boyd  
Absent: Gerald Little  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, Richard Spitzer, Brian Wendling, Alissiana Scott, Suzy Koeplinger, Marissa Sawdon and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:08 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**January 10, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*) ---**None**
- V. Agenda
  1. **Brian Wendling, Public Works Commissioner**, re:
    - **2-20-4** Submitting the 2023 Drain Annual Report for review – Attached and On File  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to receive and file. Motion carried.**  
(Receive & File)
  2. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**
    - **2-20-5** **BUENA VISTA CHARTER TOWNSHIP** submitting a Notice of its 2024 – 2028 Parks and Recreation Master Plan adopted by resolution by its Board of Trustees on January 22, 2024  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Boyd, to receive and file. Motion carried.**  
(Receive & File)
  3. **Dennis Krafft, Chairman, HWB Airport Board**, re:
    - **2-20-9** Requesting approval of (1) Professional Services Contract and up to \$4,500 for engineering services to be performed in relation to the rehabilitation of Taxiways C, D & E; and (2) Land Lease between Saginaw County and MBW Aviation LLC to allow for the construction of a 100' x 200' building/hangar  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Boyd, to approve (1) the Professional Services Contract. Motion carried.**  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Harris, to approve (2) the Land Lease. Motion carried.** (Board Report)
- VI. Miscellaneous
  - **Commissioner Spitzer was invited to address the committee regarding county opposition to Public Act 233 – signed into law in late 2023 to “fast-track” the development of renewable energy projects. Commissioner Harris informed the committee that the MAC Agriculture & Tourism committee reviewed this issue and most, if not all counties, are adopting resolutions in support of Citizens for Local Choice on this issue.**

***---Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to approve the draft Resolution expressing support for the Citizens for Local Choice Ballot Initiative. Motion carried. (Resolution 2024-3)  
(Information on file)***

VII. Adjournment ***---Moved by Harris, seconded by Boyd, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:45 p.m.***

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

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## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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

**Wednesday, March 6, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little, Christopher Boyd  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Darcie Graham, Jaime Ceja, Kelly Suppes, Jennifer Broadfoot, Carissa Diffin, Tom Miller Jr., Jamie Furbush, Ray Ogden, Erik Rodriguez, Marissa Sawdon and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:06 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**February 7, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*)
  - **Richard Spitzer spoke in favor of the requested appointment of Kristen Wenzel as new Chief Executive Officer of GLBMW!**
- V. Agenda
  1. **Tom Miller Jr., Executive Vice President, Saginaw Future Inc.,** re:
    - **3-19-2** Submitting its first quarter report (Oct. 1, 2023 – Dec. 31, 2023) and request for \$43,898 in performance-based funding pursuant to the Fourth Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
    - **3-19-3** Submitting the Economic Development Corporation of Saginaw County's 2023 Annual Report pursuant to Section 23 of PA 388 of 1974 as amended, as well as its 2024 meeting calendar, list of EDC officers and members, and a request to appoint Brian Keeler for a six-year term  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to receive and file. Motion carried. (Receive & File)**  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to accept the recommendation for nomination of appointment. Motion carried. (Appointment)**
  2. **Jamie Furbush, President/CEO, Frankenmuth Chamber of Commerce,** re:
    - **3-19-4** Submitting the completed audit for fiscal year ending September 30, 2023  
(*Receive & File*)  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to receive and file. Motion carried. (Receive & File)**
  3. **Ray Ogden, CAO; Erik Rodriguez, Workforce Development Chair; and Vaughn Begick, Consortium Board Chair, GLBMW!,** re:
    - **3-19-5** Requesting approval of Kristen Wenzel as the new Chief Executive Officer of Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works! effective as soon as possible

***---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to table this item to ensure the interview was done in a legal manner and in compliance with the intergovernmental agreement.  
Motion carried.***

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

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

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## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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**Wednesday, April 3, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little, Christopher Boyd  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, L. William Smith, Darcie Totten, Jaime Ceja, Kelly Suppes, Richard Spitzer, Dennis Borchard, Lacey Ziola, Dan Armentrout, Nancy Parker, Denise Joseph, Annie Rummel, Ann Bruzewski, Suzy Koeplinger, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**March 6, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*)---**None**
- V. Agenda
  1. **Dennis Borchard; Lacey Ziola; and Dan Armentrout, Saginaw County Road Commission**, re:
    - **4-16-5** Submitting the 2023 SCRC Annual Report (*On File*)  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to receive and file. Motion carried.** (Receive & File)
  2. **Nancy Parker, Executive Director/President, Saginaw Children’s Zoo**, re:
    - **4-16-6** Submitting proposed language for approval to place a renewal of the millage on the August 2024 ballot  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to approve, subject to language being approved by County Civil Counsel. Krafft moved to amend, seconded by Boyd, that the Saginaw Children’s Zoo provide a balance sheet, income expense sheet and budget prior to the April Board Session for commissioner review. Motion carried on the amendment and the main motion as amended carried with a nay vote recorded for Harris.** (Board Report)
  3. **Denise Joseph, Equalization Director**, re:
    - **4-16-7** Submitting for approval the 2024 Amended State of Valuation, Form L-4024  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to approve the amended version that was provided to the committee (with updates to Bridgeport Twp. and Zilwaukee Twp.) Motion carried.** (Board Report)
  4. **Annie Rummel, Ph.D./CEO, Ann Bruzewski, Convention & Visitors Bureau**, re:
    - **4-16-8** Requesting approval to place a legacy project related to the Memorial Cup on Saginaw County property at the corner of Johnson St. and Washington Ave.  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Boyd, to approve placement of the legacy project, and to accept a donation for the maintenance of the sculpture. Boyd moved, seconded by Krafft, to amend the motion to include authorizing the County Administrator through the Building Authority to coordinate the installation and maintenance of the sculpture. Motion carried on the amendment, and the main motion as amended carried.** (Board Report)

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

VI. Miscellaneous ---**None**

VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 5:13 p.m.**



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## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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**Wednesday, May 8, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little, Christopher Boyd  
Absent: Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, Tom Miller Jr., Brian Keenen-Lechel, Koren Thurston, Jaime Ceja, Renee Sharkey and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:04 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**April 3, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Boyd, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*) ---**None**
- V. Agenda
  1. **Tom Miller Jr., Executive Vice President, Saginaw Future Inc.**, re:
    - **5-21-2** Submitted its second quarter report (Jan. 1, 2024 – Mar. 31, 2024) and requested \$86,977 in performance-based funding pursuant to the Fourth Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement  
---**Moved by Little, seconded by Boyd, to approve. Motion carried.**  
(Board Report)
  2. **Brian Keenan-Lechel, Parks & Recreation Director**, re:
    - **5-21-3** Provided an update on Saginaw River Headwaters Rec Area  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to receive and file. Motion carried.**  
(Receive & File)
  3. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**
    - **5-21-4** **BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP DDA** submitted notice of a DDA Special Meeting on April 24, 2024 at 11935 Silver Creek Dr., Birch Run, MI 48415  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little to receive and file. Motion carried.**
    - **5-21-5** **STATE OF MICHIGAN Department of Treasury** sending notice of P.A. 12 of 2024 signed by the Governor March 12, 2024 amending the General Property Tax Act to allow a county to opt out of the requirement to appoint a Designated Assessor  
---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to receive and file. Motion carried.**
  4. Any other matters to come before the committee ---**None**
- VI. Miscellaneous ---**None**
- VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Boyd, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:46 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Renee Sharkey, Committee Clerk

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## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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**Wednesday, June 5, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little, Christopher Boyd  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, L. William Smith, Vanessa Guerra, Kyle Bostwick, Koren Thurston, Darcie Totten, Jaime Ceja, Brian Wendling, Katharine Tessin, Renee Sharkey and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**May 8, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*) ---**None**
- V. Agenda

1. **Brian Wendling, Public Works Commissioner**, re:

- **6-18-4** (1) Submitted for approval a Resolution pledging full faith and credit of the county for the New Tamarack Drain in an amount of not to exceed \$855,000  
--- **Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried.**  
(Resolution 2024-7)
- (2) Submitted for approval a Resolution pledging full faith and credit of the county for the White Beach Drain in an amount of not to exceed \$930,000  
--- **Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to approve. Motion carried.**  
(Resolution 2024-8)

2. **Referral from May 21, 2024 Board Session**, re:

- ***The issue of revising and improving the Early Vote Center contracts will receive further discussion between Legal Counsel, Vanessa Guerra, and Mary Catherine Hannah, a report will be prepared for the June 18, 2024 Board Session.***

3. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**

- **6-18-5 CITY OF SAGINAW** sent notice of an application for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) Certificate for Hamilton Street Real Estate, LLC, 122 S. Hamilton
- **6-18-6 STATE OF MICHIGAN Department of Treasury** sent the Preliminary State Equalization Report for the 2024 tax year
- **6-18-7 CITY OF MIDLAND** sent notice of a public hearing on its proposed Master Plan for Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at Midland City Hall
- **6-18-8 VILLAGE OF BIRCH RUN DDA** submitted notice of an informational meeting on June 20, 2024 at 7:30 a.m. at 12060 Heath St., Birch Run  
---**Moved by Kraft, seconded by Harris, to receive and file. Motion carried.**

VI. Miscellaneous --- **Katharine Tessin, Administrative Director at MMWA, announced that she was appointed Chair of the Materials Management Planning Committee.**

VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:38 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Renee Sharkey, Committee Clerk

# MINUTES

## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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

**Wednesday, August 7, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little  
Absent: Christopher Boyd  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, L. William Smith, Darcie Totten, Mark Piotrowski, Rich Spitzer, Patti Johnson, Katharine Tessin, Tom Miller, Timothy Dempsey, Kevin Murphy, Mike Behm, Jaime Ceja, Todd Williams, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**June 5, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion Carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*) ---**None**
- V. Agenda

1. **Tom Miller Jr., Executive Vice President, Saginaw Future**, re:
  - **8-20-9** Submitted its second quarter report (April 1, 2024 – June 30, 2024) and requested \$8,148 in performance-based funding pursuant to the Fourth Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement.  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion Carried. (Board Report)**
2. **Timothy H. Dempsey, President, Saginaw Future, and Todd Williams** re:
  - **8-20-10** Reviewed the PACE program with the Board of Commissioners. This program allows commercial property owners to cover the cost of certain energy efficiency projects through special assessments.  
---**Moved by Krafft to approve modifications to program guidelines, seconded by Harris. Motion carried.**  
**[Note: Public hearing and Resolution postponed until September.]**
3. **Kevin Murphy, General Manager, The Dow Event Center**, re:
  - **8-20-11** Presented information focusing on the significant economic impact of the 2024 Memorial Cup held at The Dow Event Center in Saginaw.  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to receive and file. Motion Carried.**
4. **Mary Catherine Hannah, County Administrator**, re:
  - **8-20-12** Discussion held with the Law Office of Behm & Behm regarding joining a class action lawsuit in relation to Insulin price gouging. There is no expense involved with Saginaw County Joining the lawsuit.  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
5. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**
  - **8-20-13 BAY CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS** submitted signed Form L-4029 detailing the property tax levies for Bay City Public Schools

- **8-20-14 BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP DDA** sent notice in accordance with MCL 125.4911 and enclosing the Annual TIF Report
- **8-20-15 CITY OF MIDLAND** sent notice pursuant to the requirements of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (Act 33 of 2008) that it has adopted its Master Plan  
**---Moved by Little, seconded by Krafft, to receive and file 8-20-13 through 8-20-15. Motion Carried.**

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

VI. Miscellaneous **---None**

VII. Adjournment **---Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 5:20 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Webster, Committee Chair

Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

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## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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

**Wednesday, September 4, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Christopher Boyd  
Absent: Gerald Little  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Darcie Totten, Jaime Ceja, Jamie Furbush, Kevin Murphy, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster @ 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**August 7, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion Carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*) ---**None**
- V. Agenda

1. **Jamie Furbush, President/CEO, Frankenmuth CVB**, re:

- **9-17-2** Submitting its FY 2025 Budget for approval by the Board of Commissioners  
---Discussion was held with Ms. Furbush regarding the impact of the Memorial Cup in Saginaw County this year, disclosing a 44:1 ROI, return on advertising investment. She spoke of the 1,000 beds that Frankenmuth has available and that surrounding areas are impacted by the number of people who are unable to get lodging in Frankenmuth during various events. She gave updates on the Hilton Home, presently in construction, as well as the new Mill project and waterpark expansion that will increase their lodging capacity. Also mentioned was an update on development of the Sports Complex and other items.  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Boyd, to approve. Motion Carried. (Board Report)**

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

- VI. Miscellaneous ---Amendments to the PACE program, approved at the August County Services Committee, postponed until September by Saginaw Future, to come before the full Board at the September 17, 2024 Board Session where there will be a public hearing and resolution.
- VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:50 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

# MINUTES

## COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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

**Wednesday, October 2, 2024 - 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little, Christopher Boyd  
Others: Vanessa Guerra, Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Jaime Ceja, Darcie Totten, Donovan Monte Gomez, Liz Gooch, Bill Azelton, Judi Lincoln, Kevin Murphy, Katharine Tessin, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster @ 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**September 4, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*)
  - (1) **Donovan Monte Gomez addressed the committee and, among other things, believes that the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners should have an interactive social media page. He spoke of his complaints concerning Ottawa County and the Mental Health Authority.**
  - (2) **Bill Azelton, Board of Canvassers, spoke of their role to certify election results and told the County Services Committee there is no cause for concern, the election will go smoothly and be certified in a timely manner. The committee thanked him for his assurance.**
- V. Agenda
  1. **Hon. Patrick J. McGraw, Chief Judge Probate Court**, re:
    - **10-15-5** Requesting an increase in pay for the bipartisan members of the Board of Canvassers who play a significant role in ensuring Michigan Election Law is complied with by our 30 jurisdictions.  
---**Judge McGraw, Chair of the Election Commission, communicated that the work required of the canvassers drastically increased because of Michigan Election Law. Canvassers are now required to canvass 76 precincts connected to the Early Vote Center, 76 precincts from election day, and 56 absentee ballot counting board precincts throughout the county which adds to the number of days required of them. He requested an increase of \$100 for up to 3 hours and \$200 for anything over 3 hours, believing that paying an adequate wage will help protect Saginaw County against the refusal of certifying election results as has happened in other Michigan counties.**  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to approve. Motion carried.**  
(Board Report)
  2. **Liz Gooch, Deputy Equalization Director**, re:
    - **10-15-6** Requested approval of the 2024 Saginaw County Apportionment Report, along with the Millage Report and Estimated Tax Revenue Report  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried.**  
(Board Report)

3. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATION (Received & Filed in Committee)**

- **10-15-7** Timothy Novak, Saginaw County Treasurer, submitted the Foreclosing Governmental Unit Report of Real Property Foreclosure Sales Report.  
***---Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to receive & file. Motion carried.***

4. **JoAnn Crary, President, Saginaw Future**, re:

- **10-15-11** Submitted its fourth quarter report (July 1, 2024 – Sept. 30, 2024) and requested \$10,977 in performance-based funding pursuant to the Fourth Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement and the performance bonus of \$50,000 for a total payment of \$60,977  
***---Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to approve. Motion carried.  
(Board Report)***

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

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

VII. Adjournment ***---Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:30 p.m.***

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk

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Absent: Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Jack Tany, Jaime Ceja, Darcie Totten, Kevin Murphy, Syndi Thayer, Annette Rummel, Ann Bruzewski, Jessie Hund, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Webster @ 4:02 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes **(October 2, 2024)**  
---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Boyd, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment *(Speakers limited to 3 minutes)*
- V. Agenda
  1. **Annette Rummel, President/CEO, and Ann Bruzewski, Director of Operations, Saginaw County Convention & Visitors Bureau**, re:
    - **11-19-1** Submitted its 2023 Audited Financial Statements to receive and file and its proposed 2025 Budget for approval  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to receive and file the 2023 audited financial statements. Motion carried. (Receive & File)**  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to approve the 2025 Budget. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
  2. **Mary Catherine Hannah, County Administrator**, re:
    - **11-19-2** Submitting new County Policy #414 - "Use of County Grounds and Facilities Policy" for review and approval  
---**Discussion was held regarding the need to have a county policy to provide guidelines for the use of county grounds and facilities, excluding Saginaw County Parks and Recreation. Commissioners agreed to approve and forward the policy to the full Board as is, noting it can be updated as needed.**  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
  3. Any other matters to come before the committee ---**None**
- VI. Miscellaneous ---**None**
- VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Harris, seconded by Boyd, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:30 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk



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Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Gerald Little, Christopher Boyd

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, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey, Catherine Hicks and ABC12 News

- I. Call to order---**Webster at 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**November 6, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*) ---**None**
- V. Agenda

1. **Jonathan Webb, President/CEO, Castle Museum**, re:

- **12-17-3** Presenting Castle Museum financial statements for FY 2024 Quarter 3 provided in accordance with the terms of the agreement in place with Saginaw County  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to receive and file. Motion carried.**

2. **Brian Wendling, Public Works Director**, re:

- **12-17-4** Requesting approval of a resolution authorizing the “Richland Township Sewage Disposal System Improvements” project  
---**Moved by Little, seconded by Krafft, to approve. Motion carried. (Res. 2024 - 12)**
- **12-17-5** Requesting approval of a resolution and forwarding the annual Saginaw Area Storm Water Authority cost apportionment and 2025 budget  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Harris, to approve. Motion carried. (Res. 2024 - 13)**

3. **Brian Keenan-Lechel, Director, Saginaw County Parks & Recreation Commission**

- **12-17-6** Requesting a resolution accepting the terms of a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Development grant agreement for the Saginaw Valley Rail Trail; \$300,000 from the MNRTF matched with \$200,000 in county funding with a project total of \$500,000 for new asphalt, boardwalk repair/replacement, benches, signage and bollard replacement  
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Little, to approve. Motion carried. (Res. 2024 - 14)**

4. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**

- **12-17-7** **GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION** submitting its intent to update the Genesee: Our County, Our Future plan to meet the requirements of a County Master Plan

- **12-17-8 VILLAGE OF BIRCH RUN DDA** sending notice of an informational meeting during its regular DDA meeting on December 12, 2024 at 7:30 a.m.
- **12-17-9 CITY OF SAGINAW** submitting notice of a public hearing on November 18, 2024 in regard to the Fifth Avenue Limited Partnership application for an OPRA and the potential for a “tax freeze” for up to twelve years  
**---Moved by Krafft, seconded by Boyd, to receive and file. Motion carried.**

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

VI. Miscellaneous **---None**

VII. Adjournment **---Moved by Harris, seconded by Little, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:27 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Webster, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk