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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 16, 2024 SESSION

The April Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Saginaw County Courthouse, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602 with the Honorable Christopher S. Boyd in the Chair.

Present: Christopher S. Boyd, Lisa R. Coney, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Mark S. Piotrowski, Tracey L. Slodowski, Richard A. Spitzer, Jack B. Tany and Michael A. Webster – 9

Absent: Denny M. Harris, Sheldon Matthews – 2

Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, John McColgan Jr., Koren Thurston, Blair Stevenson, Hon. Julie Gafkay, Hon. Darnell Jackson, Hon. Manvel Trice III, Jennifer Broadfoot, Jessica Sargent, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Patricia Johnson, Katherine Atwater, Sheila McIntosh, Shaneka Cowan, Kimberly Horne, Evelyn McGovern, Nancy Parker, Mary McDonald, Karen Lawrence-Webster, Pamela Maloy, Cecil Reed, Sue Bidwell, Roslyn McQueen, Ceylon Williams Bettis, Julie Cramton, Stacy Davis Diggs, Cynthia Townsend, Marcia Thomas, Emilie Lyday, Damian Fisher, Kelli Scorsone, Omie Smith, Mary McLaughlin, Kanah Franklin, Roger Rosalez, Sgt. Jim Hogue, Mark Rankin, Michael Yelsik, Denise Joseph, Nathan Fowler, Liz Gooch, Bridget Hall, Carol Wallace, Catherine Hicks, Renee Sharkey, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the March 19, 2024 Board Session were approved

PUBLIC HEARING

None

AUDIENCES

- ❖ Commissioner Slodowski presented a Proclamation for Law Day in Saginaw County to Animal Control Advisory Council members, Emilie Lyday from the Defender’s Office and Kelli Scorsone, Executive Director of the SCBA
- ❖ Commissioner Little presented a Proclamation for Volunteer Week in Saginaw County to Jessica Sargent, Commission on Aging Director, and Sheila McIntosh, Activities/Volunteer Coordinator
- ❖ Hon. Darnell Jackson, Circuit Court Judge, reported on the extension of the SCAO Virtual Backlog Reduction Docket program grant and provided an update on the success of the program
- ❖ Hon. Julie A. Gafkay, Chief Judge Circuit Court, commended Judge Jackson on the success of the VBRD program and stated she is extremely proud of the Courts in reducing the backlog

- ❖ Hon. Manvel Trice III, Circuit Court Judge, informed commissioners and the public of a new Jury Counseling Program that will provide access to a licensed therapist to jurors on capital cases
- ❖ Lisa Reed, along with members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Eta Upsilon Omega Chapter, presented information on its 40th Hats Off to Mom Scholarship Program
- ❖ Evelyn McGovern, President/Cofounder of Women of Colors, requested consideration of ARPA funding for a capital purchase of a building for the organization, if funding becomes available

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- ❖ Law Day in Saginaw County – May 1, 2024
- ❖ Public Health Week April 1 – 7, 2024
- ❖ Volunteer Week April 21 – 27, 2024

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved creation of a Saginaw County Youth Commission, in coordination with the League of Women Voters and MSU Extension
- Approved proposed language to place a renewal of the Saginaw Children’s Zoo millage on the August 2024 ballot
- Approved the 2024 Amended State of Valuation, Form L-4024 for Equalization
- Approved placement of a legacy project related to the 2024 Memorial Cup on Saginaw County property at the corner of Johnson St. and Washington Ave. for the Saginaw County Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Approved vendor transactions for March 2024
- Approved a recommendation from the ad hoc Opioid Settlement Committee to allocate \$130,000 from Opioid Settlement funds to the Community Corrections Opioid Methamphetamine Specific Program
- Approved issuance of a Request for Proposal regarding a Job Classification and Total Compensation Study for Saginaw County
- Approved a request to convert a vacant deputy PCN to a new Sergeant PCN for the Sheriff’s Office, which position would supervise the day-to-day operations of the deputies working in the Courthouse; further, to use \$16,700 from fund balance
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between Saginaw County and POAM regarding rate of pay increases for APA I, APA II, and APA III in the Saginaw County Prosecutor’s Office
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 4-16-24.1 and 4-16-24.2

RESOLUTIONS

- **Approved Res. 2024 – 5** RESOLUTION OF AGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 87c OF ACT 206
- **Approved Res. 2024 – 6** RESOLUTION TO BORROW AGAINST ANTICIPATED DELINQUENT 2023 REAL PROPERTY TAXES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Boyd made the following appointments:

Materials Management Planning Committee

[Initial Appointments for a 5-year term]

Roles Required per Part 115, P.A. 451 of 1994

- ✓ Solid Waste Disposal Facility Operator
- ✓ Managed Material Hauler
- ✓ Materials Recovery Facility Operator
- ✓ Compost or Anaerobic Digester Facility Operations
- ✓ Waste Diversion, Reuse, or Reduction Facility Operator
- ✓ Environmental Interest Group
- ✓ County Elected Official
- ✓ Township Elected Official
- ✓ City/Village Elected Official
- ✓ Individual who Generates a Managed Material

Potential Members

- Matthew Cabello**, Operations Manager
Waste Management
- Shawn Charboneau**, District Manager
Waste Management
- Katharine Tessin**, Administrative Director
Mid Michigan Waste Authority
- Phillip Karwat**, Director of Public Services
City of Saginaw
- Sarah Archer**, CEO – Iris Waste Diversion
Specialists
- Michael Colucci**, Group Leader for Saginaw
Bay Chapter of Citizens Climate Lobby
- Mark Piotrowski**, County Commissioner
- Dennis Fent** – Supervisor, Taymouth Twp.
- Brenda Moore** – Mayor, City of Saginaw
- Kimberly Bostek** – Supervisor, Global
Environmental Engineering, Nexteer

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Re-elected Gregory Schmid to the Jury Board based on a recommendation from the Circuit Court Judges with a term to expire April 30, 2030

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Chairman Boyd introduced and welcomed Renee Sharkey as the new Assistant Board Coordinator. He asked Vice-Chair Tany to give an update on the Chamber's Business After Hours held jointly with Saginaw County at the Dow Event Center next Wednesday, April 24, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. County Administrator Mary Catherine Hannah stated there will be a ribbon cutting, refreshments, and tours of the facility.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Slodowski recognized Hemlock High School as #1 in Robotics in the State of Michigan, #11 in the World, and is very proud of her daughter who is part of the team.
- Commissioner Spitzer attended the presentation at Horizons Conference Center on Monday, April 15, 2024 which provided an update on the Medical Diamond and thanked everyone involved on the Steering Committee for the proposed plan and their hard work.
- Commissioner Piotrowski announced the Freeland Walleye Festival April 25 - 28, 2024, which includes a parade, fishing tournament, pancake breakfast, car show, corn hole, carnival rides, bingo, vendors, music, beer tent, community-wide garage sales, food, fireworks, and much more!
- Commissioner Krafft announced the Bringing Back the 80s festival this weekend in Frankenmuth at the Harvey Kern Pavilion April 19 – 20, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CHRISTOPHER S. BOYD, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Board Coordinator/Deputy Clerk