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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 18, 2022 SESSION

The January Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at the Saginaw County Courthouse, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602 with the Honorable Carl E. Ruth in the Chair.

Present: Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Jack B. Tany, James G. Theisen, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 7

Absent: Christopher S. Boyd, Carol E. Ewing, Kyle R. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft – 4

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Bill Smith, Rene DeSander, Bill Stanuszek, Isaac Blackmon, Ralph Martin, Trent Boyd, Blair Stevenson, Undersheriff Mike Gomez, Mark Piotrowski, Jennifer Broadfoot, Koren Thurston, Zack Robinson, Terry Beagle, Kyle Bostwick, Ric Antonio - WSGW, Justin Engel - MLive, Hannah Olsen, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the December 2, 2021 Special Board Session, Minutes of the December 14, 2021 Board Session, Minutes of the December 7, 2021 Committee of the Whole and December 13, 2021 Committee of the Whole were approved.

AUDIENCES

- Rene DeSander, Saginaw County Mosquito Abatement Commission (SCMAC) Board Member, presented information and asked that commissioners delay formal action on the sale of two (2) parcels of SCMAC property to the Saginaw City Schools. *(Info on file in Board Office)*

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Tabled consideration of the sale of two (2) parcels of Saginaw County Mosquito Abatement Commission property at 211 Congress St., Saginaw, Michigan to the School District of the City of Saginaw *(Tabled to February 22, 2022 Board Session)*
- Approved the request from Community Corrections to contract with a third-party vendor for tether services
- Approve elimination of the title of Chief Appellate Attorney and to classify the position as an APA II in the Prosecutors Office
- Approved development of an agreement with Eaton County to house juveniles at \$150/day in the Saginaw County Adult Detention Center
- Approved a Premium Pay Plan to eligible/essential Saginaw County employees *(On file in Board Office)*

- Approved a wage increase for Non-Union Employees; further approval of changes to County Policy #341 – Paid Time Off (PTO) that eliminates the 700-hour cap on PTO accrual, and County Policy #342 – Holidays that adds Juneteenth as a County holiday
- Approved issuance of a temporary PCN for the position of Account Specialist III in the County Clerk’s Office for six (6) months; further approval to extend an offer of contract work up to six (6) months to current Account Specialist III, Kathy Forsythe, after her departure
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding with POAM – Assistant Prosecutors regarding wages for a newly created APA III position; and eleven (11) Memorandums of Understanding between Saginaw County and bargaining units regarding a \$500 payment to those 65 years of age and older, who are Medicare eligible, due to being ineligible for a pre-tax contribution to a Health Savings Account
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between Saginaw County and POAM – Assistant Prosecutors
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and Saginaw County Animal Control Officers Association (SCACOA)
- Approved a CBA between Saginaw County and POAM – Non 312
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 1-18-22.1, 1-18-22.2 and 1-18-22.3

RESOLUTIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Appointed Cynthia Winiecke to the **Community Corrections Advisory Board** for a term that expires December 31, 2022
- ✓ Appointed Cynthia Winiecke **Local Emergency Planning Committee** for a term that expires December 31, 2022

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Elected Sheldon Matthews to the **Board of Health** to replace Commissioner James Theisen, for a term that expires December 31, 2022

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth announced the final American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding presentations on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at the Buena Vista Community Center, 1940 S. Outer Dr., Saginaw, MI 48601

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Matthews asked the Controller for a timeline on the ARPA Premium Pay Plan to Saginaw County employees and he advised late February, early March is the target

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk




**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 22, 2022 SESSION**

The February Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 22, 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, Kyle R. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 10

Absent: James G. Theisen – 1

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Bill Smith, Denny Harris, Brian Harrison, Dr. Russell Bush, Krystal Irvine, Norm Bamberger, Lisa Coney, Mark Rankin, Alex de Parry, Samantha Seimer, Tom Miller, Beverly Yanca, Jessica Sargent, Lori Canole, Kelly Suppes, Amy Deford, Patricia Johnson, Darius Aimesbury-White, Brian Wendling, Mary McLaughlin, Undersheriff Mike Gomez, April Richardson, Julie Wagner, Kai Gritter, Jennifer Broadfoot, Koren Thurston, Bill Stanuszek, Tarsha Works, Timothy Danielak, Kyle Bostwick, Ric Antonio - WSGW, Justin Engel - MLive, ABC-12, Hannah Olsen, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the January 3, 2022 Organizational Board Session, Minutes of the January 18, 2022 Board Session; and Minutes of the January 25, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved

PUBLIC HEARING

- A Public Hearing was held to consider the adoption of a Brownfield Plan for 301 and 311 Court St. and 103, 115 and 117 S. Niagara, Saginaw, MI pursuant to the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended. Tom Miller, Saginaw Future, spoke in support of the project at the first call of the public hearing and advised that Alex de Parry, Hall Commercial Properties, and Samantha Seimer, AKT Peerless, were both in attendance and available to answer questions.

AUDIENCES

- Chairman Ruth presented Amy Deford with a Certificate of Recognition upon her retirement
- Commissioner Webster presented Beverly Yanca with a Certificate of Recognition upon her retirement

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificate of Recognition to Amy Deford, Controller's Office, upon her retirement after 31+ years of service
- Certificate of Recognition to Beverly Yanca, Commission on Aging, upon her retirement after 33 years of service as a volunteer/employee

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved millage language for MSU Extension to be placed on the August 2, 2022 county-wide ballot, which would levy 0.1 mill of taxable valuation for a period of ten (10) years, 2022 – 2031 inclusive
- Approved amendment of the Sheriff's FY 2022 Budget by a total of \$45,475 using revenue from vehicle sales to increase the Law Enforcement Fund
- Approved \$1,025,925 for funding of a Medical Examiner's Office to permanently replace the existing services (forensic pathology, investigation, transportation, and storage)
- Approved a 90-day contract between the Sheriff and former Det. John Butcher to perform work as a DEA Liaison
- Approved amendment of its PCN allocations and percentage of associated budgets in Public Works for the positions of Assistant Engineer and Deputy Engineer
- Approved establishing a temporary PCN and use of \$2,500 in fund balance for Mosquito Abatement to allow for training a new Office Manager due to retirement
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between Saginaw County and Saginaw County Trial Court
- Approved Memorandums of Understanding between Saginaw County and thirteen (13) bargaining units regarding the Coronavirus Premium Pay Plan
- Approved a 90-day contract between the Health Department and retiree Margaret Drayton to perform various COVID testing beginning March 1, 2022
- Approved two (2) Memorandums of Understanding regarding employee bargaining unit changes among Teamsters, TPOAM and UAW
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between Saginaw County and POAM – Unit III (Command)
- Under Unfinished Business, commissioners approved a motion to remove from the table the sale of Mosquito Abatement property at 211 Congress St., Saginaw, Michigan to the School District of the City of Saginaw and return the matter to Human Services Committee. A Committee of the Whole was scheduled for Monday, March 7, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 2-22-22.1 and 2-22-22.2

RESOLUTIONS

- Approved Res. "A" – Resolution Approving a Brownfield Plan Located at 301 and 311 Court St. and 103, 115 and 117 S. Niagara, Saginaw, MI, Saginaw County, Pursuant to and in Accordance with the Provision of Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as Amended

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Appointed Christina Harrington (Member) and Tawnya Simon (Alternate) to the **Michigan Association of Local Public Health** to serve until replaced

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Elected Cassi Zimmerman to the **Land Bank Authority** for a term that expires December 31, 2025

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth stated he had inquiries as to when a decision will be made on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. The Controller advised he is creating a spreadsheet listing the organizations that qualify/don't qualify, finalizing the contract with Guidehouse, and the information will go to the Board of Commissioners to prioritize and spend approximately \$32 million that is available.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

None

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk





**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 22, 2022 SESSION**

The **March Session** of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 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, 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

Absent: – 0

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Hon. A.T. Frank, Brian Harrison, Krystal Irvine, Zack Robinson, Mark Rankin, Tom Miller, Denny Harris, Jessica Sargent, Kelly Suppes, Brian Wendling, Mary McLaughlin, Undersheriff Mike Gomez, Jennifer Broadfoot, Dave Brown, Bruce Goetz, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Koren Thurston, Leah Puskar, Bill Stanuszek, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Tony DePelsMaeker, Kendall Keys – WNEM TV-5, Kyle Bostwick, Kathy Forsythe, Patricia Eicher, Chris Mefford, Jenny Glysz, Hannah Olsen, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

-  Chairman Ruth asked for a moment of silence for the people of Ukraine
-  Commissioner Krafft gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- o Minutes of the February 22, 2022 Board Session and Minutes of the March 7, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved

AUDIENCES

- Chairman Ruth and County Clerk Vanessa Guerra presented Kathy Forsythe with a Special Tribute upon her retirement after 35 years of service.
- Bruce Goetz, Kozy Bail Bonds, spoke in support of rescinding action the Board took in January 2022 to transition to a third party for tether services and stated he would file the appropriate paperwork.
- Hon. A.T. Frank spoke in opposition to allow contracting with a third party vendor for tether services and asked that the matter be brought back to start the process again and bring in stakeholders.

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Special Tribute to Kathy Forsythe, County Clerk's Office, upon her retirement after 35 years of service

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Rejected request to rescind previous approval of Board Report 1-18-22-2.1 regarding transition of providing tether services to a third party pending discussions with interested parties
- Approved issuance of \$87,875 in performance-based funding to Saginaw Future, Inc. pursuant to the First Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement
- Approved changes to County Policy #351 – Travel to permit overnight accommodations for a multi-day conference or meeting regardless of distance
- Approved a request from the Building Authority to appropriate an additional \$483,633 in fund balance from the Dow Event Center fund for the replacement of elevators in the parking structure
- Approved the electronic transactions and voucher payments for the month of December 2021
- Approved the FY 2023 Budget Calendar
- Approved an increase to the Maintenance FY 2022 Budget – Salaries & Wages in the amount of \$7,024 to account for a status change for the Maintenance Worker III HVAC Technician position
- Approved amendment of Sheriff’s FY 2022 Budget by \$14,400 using revenue from housing Eaton County juveniles and increase the Law Enforcement Training fund (\$8,450) and Jail Training Fund (\$5,950)
- Approved amendment of the Board of Commissioners’ FY 2022 Budget – Salaries & Wages up to \$7,000 to account for training of the Board Assistant (Office Asst. II) due to resignation
- Approved amendment of the Health Department’s FY 2022 Budget by accepting \$716,800 in additional grant funding from MDHHS for COVID-19 and \$141,307 in additional grant funding for ELC Regional Laboratory
- Approved a request to use up to \$35,000 in 2022 Capital Improvement Funds to replace the Prosecutor’s county-owned vehicle
- Approved submission of the 2021 Audited Financial Statements prior to March 31, 2022
- Approved extension of the Personal Services contract with Amy Deford, former Retirement/Benefits Coordinator, from March 14, 2022 – June 10, 2022
- Approved a temporary PCN to allow for training a successful applicant to the Board Assistant (Office Assistant II) position
- Approved a change to the Foster Grandparent Program Assistant PCN (#238009) from part-time to full-time at Commission on Aging
- Approved allowing the Controller to engage in negotiations with the Saginaw School District regarding the potential sale of the entire Mosquito Abatement/Maintenance property
- Approved the engagement of William A. Kibbe & Associates to assess property on Davenport as a relocation site for Mosquito Abatement/Maintenance/Public Works Field Office, prepare site assessment documents, and evaluate potential school sites and additional sites
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 3-22-22.1, 3-22-22.2 and 3-22-22.3

RESOLUTIONS

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| Approved Res. 2022 – 1 | Resolution Authorizing Application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for Imerman Memorial Park ADA Improvements - \$300,000 |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 2 | Resolution Authorizing Application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for Price nature Center - \$94,970 |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 3 | Resolution of Agency Pursuant to Section 87c of Act 206 |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 4 | Resolution to Borrow Against Anticipated Delinquent 2021 Real Property Taxes |
| Approved Res. 2022 – 5 | Resolution Urging State Legislature to Amend the Michigan Auto Insurance Reform Act to Address a Reimbursement Cap for Auto Accident Victims |

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Reappointed Seth Perigo to the **Economic Development Authority** to fill a vacancy with a term to expire April 1, 2028

ELECTIONS

- Elected Jeffrey Collier, Ed.D. to the **Board of Health** to fill a vacancy, with a term to expire December 31, 2025
- Appointed/Reappointed the following individuals to the **Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority**:
 - Mike Cierzniewski (Primary Consumer) – *Reappointment*
 - Robert Woods (Secondary Consumer) – *Reappointment*
 - Lisa Coney (General Public) – *New Appointment to fill a vacancy*
 - Andrea Schrems (Agency/Occupation) – *Reappointment*
 - Joan Williams (General Public) – *New Appointment to fill a vacancy that expires 3/31/23*
 - Deb Nagel (Primary Consumer) – *New Appointment to fill a vacancy that expires 3/31/24*

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft wished everyone a Happy Easter and invited everyone to join him at the Easter Sunrise Service (Sunday, April 17, 2022 at 6:30 a.m.) at St. Lorenz Lutheran Church in Frankenmuth.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk

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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 19, 2022 SESSION

The April Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 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, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 9

Absent: Kyle R. Harris – 1

[Note: Resignation of James G. Theisen was received and effective April 18, 2022]

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Norm Bamberger, Zack Robinson, April Key, Jessica Sargent, Undersheriff Mike Gomez, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Denise Babbitt, Ric Antonio - WSGW, Allie Martinez, Kyle Bostwick, Brittany Dicken, Rep. Rodney Wakeman, Lisa Coney, Dennis Borchard, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

✚ Chairman Ruth asked for a moment of silence for Jim Theisen’s father and Christina Vasquez’ father, Mario Soza

✚ Commissioner Little gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the March 22, 2022 Board Session and Minutes of the April 12, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved

AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Webster presented Allie Martinez, Underground Railroad, Inc., with a Proclamation for April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month
- Commissioner Krafft presented Jessica Sargent, Commission on Aging Director, with a Proclamation for National Volunteer Week, April 17 – 23, 2022
- Brittany Dicken, former Saginaw County Friend of the Court, announced her candidacy for Circuit Court Judge

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Proclamation for National Volunteer Week, April 17 – 23, 2022
- Proclamation for April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved Form L-4024, 2022 Statement of Valuation, the Report of Equalization for all townships and cities in Saginaw County
- Approved recently adopted Parks and Recreation Rules for the coming addition of the Splash Pad at Haithco Recreation Area
- Approved submission of a 2022 Special License Application with the State of Michigan Liquor Control Commission to allow beer and wine to be served at certain adult-oriented Parks events
- Approved the electronic transactions and voucher payments for the month of January 2022
- Approved the Cost Allocation Plan and IT Rate Calculation and amendment of FY 2022 Budget to accurately reflect respective amounts shown for each department
- Approved the contribution of an additional \$544,843 using ARPA funding to the Health Department for the FY 2022 Maintenance of Effort payment
- Approved the Accounts Receivable Report for the Health Department showing \$5,819.14 in write-offs for the period Oct. 1, 2020 through Sept. 30, 2021
- Approved amendment of the FY 2022 Budget of Harry Browne Airport by increasing the Fuel Sales Revenue and Expenditure accounts by \$160,000 due to an increase in fuel purchases and projected sales
- Approved amendment of the Commission on Aging FY 2022 Budget by accepting additional grant funding for the Tai Chi for Arthritis Program (\$3,857) and the FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Program (\$1,000)
- Approved utilization of the \$10 million Revenue Replacement option under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
- Referred proposed new County Policy titled “Office Relationships” back to the Labor Relations Committee for further discussion and legal review
- Approved a change to Health Department PCN #221118 (vacant) from Office Assistant II (T7) to Health Technician (T9) as part of reorganization
- Approved creation of a temporary PCN at Commission on Aging to hire and train a new part-time Caseworker
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between Saginaw County and UAW Local 455 – Unit 48 Managers regarding the Assistant Director of Nursing at the Health Department
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Saginaw County and Teamsters Local 214 COA/Public Health
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Saginaw County and Teamsters Local 214 Public Health Nurses
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 4-19-22.1 and 4-19-22.2

RESOLUTIONS

Approved Res. 2022 – 6

Resolution Approving the Land Transaction Agreement between the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the County of Saginaw

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

ELECTIONS

None

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth hoped everyone enjoyed the Easter holiday and is looking forward to good weather and golfing.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft announced Bringing Back the 80s this weekend in Frankenmuth, held at the Harvey Kern Pavilion April 22nd and April 23rd. He also recognized State Representative Rodney Wakeman who was in the audience.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Board of Commissioners
OF SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

SPECIAL SESSION
MAY 10, 2022

A Special Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan, held Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. with the Honorable Carl E. Ruth in the Chair. This meeting was held at the Saginaw County Governmental Center, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, Michigan to consider the May 10, 2022 Special Session Agenda. County Clerk Vanessa Guerra took roll, quorum present as follows:

PRESENT: *Cynthia M. Winiecke, Jack B. Tany, Christopher S. Boyd, Sheldon Matthews, Kyle R. Harris
Carol E. Ewing, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Michael A. Webster and Carl E. Ruth - 10*

ABSENT: - 0

TOTAL: - 10

Others Present: Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Bill Smith, Dr. Russell Bush, Donald A. Gilbert, Denny Harris, Norm Bamberger, Peyton Ball, Bobby Ball, Tracey Slodowski, Thomas Roy, Vicki White, Eric Snidersich, Matthew Kehn, Justin Engel - MLive, Suzy Koeplinger, Marissa Sawdon

Commissioner Little gave the invocation. Chairman Ruth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PETITION



April 28, 2022

Vanessa Guerra
Saginaw County Clerk
111 S. Michigan Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48602

May 10, 2022
Special Session

Dear Clerk Guerra:

Pursuant to Article II, Section 2.9 of the 2022 Rules of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners (MCL 46.10), the undersigned members of the Board respectfully petition that a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners be held **Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.** to conduct interviews and make a determination to fill the District #5 vacancy and any other matters brought before the Board. The undersigned affirm the intent of the Board of Commissioners to hold a Special Meeting on this matter.



This meeting is being held consistent with PA 267 of 1976 (MCL 15.263) to consider the agenda, and for any other matters brought before the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald D. Little, Commissioner
Sheldon Matthews, Vice-Chair
Carl E. Ruth, Chairman

Dennis H. Krafft, Commissioner
Michael A. Webster, Commissioner

CLERK'S CALL OF SESSION

Public Notice of Special Board Session

The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners will convene for a Special Session on
Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.
in the Board Chambers, Second Floor - Room 200
Saginaw County Governmental Center, Saginaw, MI per PA 267 of 1976
to conduct interviews and make a determination to fill the District #5 vacancy and any other matters
brought before the Board.

This Special Meeting is being held consistent with Article II, Section 2.9 (MCLA 46.10) of the 2022 Rules of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners as authorized by petition of at least one third (1/3rd) of the members of the Board.

Requests for Public Comment (Audiences) must be made to the Board of Commissioners Office at (989) 790-5267 or by email to boc@saginawcounty.com prior to 12:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

If you are disabled and need accommodation to provide you with an opportunity to participate, please call the Board of Commissioners at (989) 790-5267.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Guerra

Vanessa Guerra, County Clerk

April 28, 2022
Posted 4-28-22 by SEK

[Note: The Special Board Session began at 4:00 p.m., due to a Public Notice that was posted with an incorrect time]

AUDIENCES

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS

None



PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

By the Chair: That the following communications received by the Board of Commissioners are referred as designated, if there are no objections. The Chair hears none; it is so ordered.

- **PETITION** for Special Board Session on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. *(Attached)*
 - **PUBLIC NOTICE** of Special Board Session on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. *(Attached)*
 - **Resignation** of James G. Theisen *(Attached)*
 - **County Clerk Certification** of Applicants *(Attached)*
- ❖ Pursuant to MCL 46.412(1) “When a vacancy occurs in the office of commissioner by death, resignation, removal from the district or removal from office, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment within 30 days by the county board of commissioners of a resident and registered voter of that district.” Further, “...the person appointed to fill the vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.”
- ❖ If the vacancy is not filled within 30 days, a special election is required. The special election shall be called by the County Board of Commissioners. (MCL 46.413) The statute doesn’t speak to the procedure to appoint, nor do the Board Rules. However, Board Rule 6.1 states “The business of the Board shall be conducted in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order, insofar as such rules are not in conflict with these Rules and the Statutes of the State of Michigan.” Robert’s Rules provide that if there is no determining rule, a motion to fix the method of voting is required. Chairman Ruth will read the procedure that has been used in the past by the board and he will ask for a motion to approve that process.
1. Motion to declare the office of Saginaw County Commissioner, District #5, vacant as of April 18, 2022 and acceptance of the resignation of James G. Theisen as County Commissioner for District #5
Moved by Tany, seconded by Ewing, to accept the resignation of James G. Theisen as County Commissioner for District #5. Motion carried unanimously.
 2. Applicant Interviews
 - Peyton Ball
 - Tracey Slodowski
 - Victoria White

Applicants were interviewed by all commissioners.

3. Discussion and recommendation of applicant(s) to fill the District #5 vacancy. Chairman Ruth announced that based on past procedures and a recommendation from Civil Counsel, he will ask for a Motion to proceed with the appointment according to the following rules:



- A candidate must obtain a majority of votes of the commissioners present. (6 if 10 commissioners are present) (5 if 9 commissioners are present)
- If there are more than 2 candidates nominated and no candidate receives a majority of the votes, then the candidate with the least number of votes is eliminated.
- Voting continues until one candidate receives a majority.

Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to proceed with the appointment according to the stated rules. Motion carried unanimously.

Krafft moved to place into nomination the name of Tracey Slodowski to fill the commissioner vacancy. The Chair called for further nominations; there were none.

***Krafft moved, seconded by Ewing, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Tracey Slodowski as Commissioner for District 5. The motion carried by the following rollcall vote:
Yes: Harris, Ewing, Krafft, Little, Webster, Winiecke, Tany, Boyd, Matthews, and Ruth - 10
No: - 0***

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

None

RESOLUTIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PROCLAMATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

ELECTIONS

None



ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

- Chairman Ruth asked commissioners to formulate recommendations on their own in regard to an ARPA funding plan. He stated that this would save time and make future discussions more strategically focused.
- Robert Belleman stated he met with Guidehouse and they were interested in seeing if the City and County could work together and share planning. He would like to converge in June.
- Commissioner Webster asked if the board could hear from Guidehouse because they have a level of expertise and as a third party entity would be able to resolve gridlock.
- Commissioner Boyd believes we should do what we can on our own, especially as to the Internal Requests for ARPA funding, using our own expertise.

COMMISSIONERS' AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Tany announced he toured the new Thomas Township Nature Center and Preserve and invited commissioners to schedule a tour.

By Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Little: That the Board adjourn. Motion Carried.
Thereupon, the Special Board Session adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Board Coordinator/Deputy Clerk

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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MAY 17, 2022 SESSION

The **May Session** of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 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, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Tracey L. Slodowski, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 9

Absent: Kyle R. Harris, Gerald D. Little – 2

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Dave Gilbert, L. William Smith, Janey Lamar, Norm Bamberger, Krystal Irvine, Russell Bush, M.D., Mary McLaughlin, Jessica Sargent, Jennifer Broadfoot, Tim Ninemire, Gary Beckert, Undersheriff Mike Gomez, Steve Jonas, Chris Harrington, Kyle Bostwick, Lisa Coney, Madison Bourdow Hewitt, Ceylon Williams Bettis, Jonathan Block, Michael Thompson, Justin Engel – MLive, Ric Antonio – WSGW, Marissa Sawdon, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

- ✚ Chairman Ruth asked for a moment of silence for Nikki Perez, Deputy Clerk, Circuit Court Records Supervisor, who was with the County for 27 years and passed away
- ✚ Commissioner Webster gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the April 19, 2022 Board Session were approved

AUDIENCES

- Christina Harrington, M.P.H., Health Officer/Director, presented information on BWell Saginaw, a community-wide initiative led by a partner coalition. (*Chairman Ruth allotted 15 minutes for this presentation*)
- Commissioner Winiecke presented Tim Ninemire, Director of Recipient Rights and Customer Service, Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority, with a Proclamation for May as Mental Health Awareness Month.
- Gary Beckert spoke regarding issues with the Saginaw County Land Bank. Mr. Beckert stated that he has been unable to get in contact with the Land Bank or Treasurer's Office about cleaning up a property he would like to purchase. He also stated that he supports Kozy Bail Bonds and its request to provide tether services to Saginaw County.
- Janey Lamar announced her candidacy for the 10th Circuit Court Judge vacancy.
- Mike Thompson requested members review the information he emailed and provided to members and offered to take any questions.

INITIATORY MOTIONS

- ❖ Approved Resolution 2022 – 8, Resolution to Oppose House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731 and 4732, as amended on the floor

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificate of Recognition to Shirley J. Camel, Mother of the Year, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
- Certificate of Recognition to Angelique Miller Burrell, Soror of the Year, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
- Certificates of Recognition to members of the James Township Fire Department for years of service: Robert Andrews (5 years); Matthew Klein (5 years); Nicholas Newman (15 years); and Carl A. Portner Jr. (40 years)
- Certificate of Recognition to the Saginaw County Foster Grandparent Program at Commission on Aging
- Proclamation for May as Mental Health Awareness Month

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved contract with VirTra Inc. for Simulated Firearm Equipment and Training Services at an annual cost of \$53,325.93 and one time payments of \$6,270 (Setup & Training) and \$3,000.30 (Shipping & Handling) for the Sheriff's Office
- Approved submission and acceptance of the FY 2023 Community Corrections Grant in the amount of \$670,351
- Approved issuance of \$27,300 in performance-based funding to Saginaw Future pursuant to the First Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement
- Approved proposed Management Agreement between the County of Saginaw, Saginaw County Building Authority, and SMG/ASM Global for the professional management of TheDow Event Center Facility, Jolt Credit Union Event Park and associated parking facilities for a term of Oct. 1, 2021 to Sept. 30, 2032
- Approved use of \$149,000 from unrestricted fund balance for Commission on Aging to replace asphalt parking areas, curbs, gutters and sidewalks at the Marie Davis Senior Center
- Approved use of \$75,000 in fund balance at Animal Care & Control to purchase furniture for the new SCACC Resource Center building
- Approved amendment of the FY 2022 Public Improvement Fund by \$5,500 on behalf of Probate Court to purchase a PolyCom device for use by HealthSource Saginaw
- Approved creation of a Pilot Program using Saginaw County retirees to fill driver and dispatch positions at Commission on Aging
- Approved creation of a temporary PCN to allow for training a Legal Clerk II position due to retirement in the Prosecutor's Office
- Approved revised, new County Policy titled "Office Relationships"
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 5-17-22.1 and 5-17-22.2

RESOLUTIONS

- Referred proposed Resolution 2022 – 7, Resolution Approving the Oakley Sewage Disposal System Improvements Between the Department of Public Works and the County of Saginaw back to County Services Committee for discussion and review

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Chairman Ruth appointed Lee Martin to the **Library Board** with a term to expire May 31, 2027

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Re-elected Russell Bush, M.D. as **Chief Medical Examiner** for a term to expire May 31, 2026
- ✓ Re-elected Lisa Coney to the **Jury Board** for a term to expire April 30, 2028

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth extended the Board's sympathies to the family, friends and co-workers of Nikki Perez. He advised the Board that we would be scheduling a Committee of the Whole regarding ARPA funding at the end of the month.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Boyd announced the Bureau of Justice Assistance announced a program that will support forensic pathology fellowships and provide resources for medical examiner and coroner offices to achieve and maintain accreditation. He also requested the Controller's Office provide a spreadsheet on ARPA funding, with a delineation of what has been approved and spent by the Board.
- Commissioner Tany attended the Ribbon Cutting at SVSU Riverfront Saginaw Center and thanked Clerk Guerra for attending.
- Commissioner Krafft announced events over Memorial Day Weekend, including the Frankenmuth Dog Bowl at the River Place Shops May 28 – 29, 2022 along with Balloons Over Bavarian Inn May 27 – 30, 2022. The Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival will be June 9 – 12, 2022 in Zehnder Park with a Parade on Sunday, June 12, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk

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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

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk




**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 16, 2022 SESSION**

The August Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 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, Kyle R. Harris, Carl E. Ruth, Tracey L. Slodowski, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 8

Absent: Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews – 3

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Dave Gilbert, Norm Bamberger, Krystal Irvine, Katie Kelly, Brian Wendling, Bill Stanuszek, Denny Harris, Jessica Sargent, Jennifer Broadfoot, Koren Thurston, Kyle Bostwick, Ray Ogden, Wonzella Doyal, Patricia Johnson, Angie Miller, Lisa Coney, Marissa Sawdon, Suzy Koepplinger, and others

 Chairman Ruth gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the June 21, 2022 Committee of the Whole, June 21, 2022 Board Session, and June 27, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved

PUBLIC HEARING

- ❖ A Public Hearing was held on the proposed Saginaw County 2022/2023 Fiscal Year Budget and property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support General Government Operations. No comments.

FOIA APPEAL

- The Board approved sending written notice to Andrew Harris upholding the disclosure denial as to his Freedom of Information Act request of July 30, 2022 (FOIA #3361) regarding information from the Friend of the Court.

AUDIENCES

- Vanessa Guerra, County Clerk, spoke in opposition to the request by Elected Officials to amend County Policy #335 – “Compensation” and establish a future separation of not less than 15% between the elected position and the highest pay grade within the office.

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificate of Recognition to Terry Kluck, Probate Court Register, upon her retirement after 48+ years of service

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved the Commission on Aging application to Region VII Area Agency on Aging for FY 2023 funding
- Approved the 9-1-1 Communications Center Authority FY 2023 Budget
- Approved subleases for the Alma and Midland Michigan Works! Service Centers
- Tabled a request from Civil Counsel on a new Saginaw County Ordinance regarding Surveillance, Invasion of Privacy or Security on County Property
- Approved a USDA Rural Development Loan Resolution for the Oakley Sewage Disposal System Improvements Project
- Approved vendor transactions for the months of February, March, April, May and June 2022
- Approved allocation of \$156,000 and to adjust the capital improvement and general fund budgets for the Trial Courts to purchase audio equipment for placement in six (6) courtrooms in FY 2022
- Approved amendment of the Treasurer's FY 2022 692 fund by \$14,000 for new investment software from SYMPRO
- Approved the use of \$75,000 from Mosquito Abatement unappropriated fund balance to cover additional fuel costs
- Approved the addition of a full-time Mechanic position to the Mosquito Abatement PCN roster and to adjust its budget accordingly in FY 2022 and FY 2023
- Approved an increase to the Department of Health & Human Services Board budget by \$125 for board member conference travel
- Laid Draft #1 of the FY 2023 Budget on the table for approval at the September 27, 2022 Board Session (*Unfinished Business*)
- Approved changes to County Policy #322 – Discrimination and Sexual Harassment to reflect latest EEOC and MDCR guidance
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding with TPOAM regarding the employment of ten (10) contract/temporary workers in the County Clerk's Office
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding with TPOAM regarding a voluntary four (4) day work week for employees of the County Clerk's Office
- Approved appointment of a Deputy Medical Examiner pursuant to State Statute to act in place of the Chief Medical Examiner
- Approved certification of the Employee and Officer Delegates attending the 2022 Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) Annual Meeting
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 8-16-22.1, 8-16-22.2, 8-16-22.3 and 8-16-22.4

RESOLUTIONS

- Approved Resolution 2022 – 8, Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Sewage Disposal Bonds (Oakley Sewage Disposal System Improvements), Series 2022

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Rejected a request from the Controller/CAO to engage Guidehouse for up to \$250,000 to review ARPA funding requests and perform required reporting

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Chairman Ruth reappointed Ann Marie Batkoski and Timothy M. Novak to the **Building Authority** with terms to expire August 1, 2028
- ✓ Chairman Ruth appointed Commissioner Tracey Slodowski to the **HealthSource Saginaw Advisory Board** with a term to expire December 31, 2022

ELECTIONS

None

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth reminded everyone of the Book-bag / Back-pack and School Supplies Give-Away at the Sheriff's Department on Sunday, August 21, 2022 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. He also reminded commissioners of the Tri-County Gathering in Bay County this Thursday, August 18, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Tany attended the Sobriety Court Graduation at Wickes Park, along with Commissioner Winiecke, and commended Judge Trice for doing an outstanding job with the program. He also lauded Saginaw Future and the succession plan of Wright-K Technology to Koops Automation Systems. The new owners are keeping all existing employees, hiring additional people, and expanding its manufacturing capacity.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk

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**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE**

Board of Commissioners

OF SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN



**SPECIAL SESSION
SEPTEMBER 8, 2022**

A Special Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan, held Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 5:04 p.m. with the Honorable Carl E. Ruth in the Chair. This meeting was held at the Saginaw County Governmental Center, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, Michigan to consider the September 8, 2022 Special Session Agenda. County Clerk Vanessa Guerra took roll, quorum present as follows:

PRESENT: *Cynthia M. Winiecke, Jack B. Tany, Christopher S. Boyd, Sheldon Matthews, Kyle R. Harris Carol E. Ewing, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Tracey L. Slodowski, Michael A. Webster and Carl E. Ruth - 11*

ABSENT: - 0

TOTAL: - 11

Others Present: Robert Belleman, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Suzy Koeplinger, Undersheriff Gomez, Kyle Harris, Denny Harris, Kelly Suppes, Jennifer Broadfoot, Christina Harrington, Josh Brown, Russell L. Bush, M.D., Bonnie Kanicki, JoAnn Crary, Tom Miller, Jaime Ceja, Michelle Goist, Mark Angliss, Marcia Coughlin, Victoria Bennett, Lt. Kolb, Lt. Rasco, Chris Rishko, Craig Clark, Esther Sanders, Sarah Babcock, Ray Ogden, Kristin Wenzel, Wonzella Doyal

Commissioner Little gave the invocation. Chairman Ruth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PETITION



August 29, 2022

Vanessa Guerra
Saginaw County Clerk
111 S. Michigan Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48602

**September 8, 2022
Special Session**



Dear Clerk Guerra:

Pursuant to Article II, Section 2.9 of the 2022 Rules of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners (MCL 46.10), the undersigned members of the Board respectfully petition that a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners be held **Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.** to reduce/eliminate the deficit in the GLBMW! Administrative Budget by applying “Discretionary Funds” to cover employee compensation and furloughing GLMBW! employees, as necessary and any other matters brought before the Board. The undersigned affirm the intent of the Board of Commissioners to hold a Special Meeting on this matter. This meeting is being held consistent with PA 267 of 1976 (MCL 15.263) to consider the agenda, and for any other matters brought before the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald D. Little, Commissioner
Sheldon Matthews, Vice-Chair
Carl E. Ruth, Chairman

Dennis H. Krafft, Commissioner
Michael A. Webster, Commissioner

CLERK'S CALL OF SESSION

Public Notice of Special Board Session

The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners will convene for a Special Session on

Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

in the Board Chambers, Second Floor - Room 200

Saginaw County Governmental Center, Saginaw, MI per PA 267 of 1976

to reduce/eliminate the deficit in the GLBMW! Administrative Budget by applying “Discretionary Funds” to cover employee compensation and furloughing GLMBW! employees, as necessary and any other matters brought before the Board.

This Special Meeting is being held consistent with Article II, Section 2.9 (MCLA 46.10) of the 2022 Rules of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners as authorized by petition of at least one third (1/3rd) of the members of the Board.

Requests for Public Comment (Audiences) must be made to the Board of Commissioners Office at (989) 790-5267 or by email to boc@saginawcounty.com prior to 12:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

If you are disabled and need accommodation to provide you with an opportunity to participate, please call the Board of Commissioners at (989) 790-5267.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Guerra

Vanessa Guerra, County Clerk

August 29, 2022
Posted 8-29-22 by SEK



AUDIENCES

- Christopher Rishko, CEO of Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works! addressed the board in regard to the request from the Controller to eliminate the deficit using Discretionary Program funds and to reduce wages through furlough if necessary

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS

None

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

By the Chair: That the following communications received by the Board of Commissioners are referred as designated, if there are no objections. The Chair hears none; it is so ordered.

- **PETITION** for Special Board Session on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
- **PUBLIC NOTICE** of Special Board Session on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
- **9-8-1 CONTROLLER/CAO** submitting a recommendation to reduce/eliminate the deficit in the GLBMW! Administrative Budget by applying “Discretionary Funds” to cover employee compensation and furloughing GLBMW! employees, as necessary (*See Budget/Audit Agenda*)

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Budget/Audit Committee met prior to the Special Session

Budget/Audit Committee – D. Krafft, Chair; C. Boyd, Vice-Chair

- 4.1) Approval of recommendation to reduce/eliminate the deficit in the GLBMW! Administrative Budget by applying “Discretionary Funds” to cover employee compensation and furloughing GLBMW! employees, as necessary (*To be distributed*)

Discussion was held. After discussion, Krafft moved, seconded by Harris, to take the necessary steps to mitigate, if not eliminate, the estimated \$400,000 deficit in Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works! administrative budget, including, but not limited to, the use of \$156,000 in discretionary funds and furloughing GLBMW! employees. The motion carried unanimously.

FROM: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET/AUDIT -- 4.1

SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

Your Budget/Audit Committee received Communication No. 9-8-1 from Robert V. Belleman, Controller/CAO, requesting approval of his recommendation to reduce/eliminate the deficit in the Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works! (GLBMW!) administrative budget by applying “Discretionary Funds” to cover employee compensation and furloughing GLBMW! employees, as necessary.



We reviewed this request prior to the Special Board Session and the committee was advised that GLBMW! anticipates between a \$150,000 to \$240,000 deficit in the administrative budget. The Michigan Works! Consortium Board directed the Director/CEO to balance the budget by reducing employees, whereas the Michigan Works! Executive Committee supported his recommendation to “do nothing and let it play out.”

We recommend approval to authorize the Controller/CAO to take the necessary steps to mitigate, if not eliminate, the estimated \$400,000 deficit in Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works! administrative budget, including, but not limited to, the use of \$156,000 in discretionary funds and furloughing GLBMW! employees.

Respectfully Submitted,

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET/AUDIT

Dennis H. Krafft, Chair
Jack B. Tany
Carl E. Ruth

Christopher S. Boyd, Vice-Chair
Tracey L. Slodowski

RESOLUTIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PROCLAMATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

ELECTIONS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

None

COMMISSIONERS' AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft announced Auto Fest in Frankenmuth this weekend.

By Commissioner Little, seconded by Commissioner Harris: That the Board adjourn. Motion Carried.
Thereupon, the Special Board Session adjourned at 5:26 p.m.



Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Board Coordinator/Deputy Clerk




**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER 27, 2022 SESSION**

The September Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 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, Kyle R. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Tracey L. Slodowski, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 11

Absent: – 0

Others: Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Jessica Sargent, Jennifer Broadfoot, Patricia Johnson, Denny Harris, Lisa Coney, Tarsha Works, Richard Spitzer, Camden Garrett, Megan Cottington-Heath, Sara Cottington-Heath, Aileen Pettinger, Steven Burke, Roger Swets, Undersheriff Gomez, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Zack Robinson, Tom Miller, Thomas Roy, Mark Piotrowski, Marissa Sawdon, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

 Commissioner Winiecke gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the August 16, 2022 Board Session, September 8, 2022 Special Board Session, September 13, 2022 Committee of the Whole, and September 14, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved

PUBLIC HEARING

None

FOIA APPEAL

- The Board approved sending written notice to Chad Bryant upholding the granting in part and denial in part of his Freedom of Information Act request of August 9, 2022 (FOIA #3376) regarding information from the Saginaw County Jail.

AUDIENCES

- Megan Cottington-Heath, candidate for Saginaw County Circuit Court Judge, detailed her record of work with family law and asked for support in the November election.

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved payment of \$25,350 in performance-based funding to Saginaw Future pursuant to the Services Agreement between Saginaw County and Saginaw Future
- Approved the FY 2023 Budget for the Frankenmuth Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Approved vendor transactions for July and August 2022
- Approved an increase to the Harry W. Browne Airport FY 2022 Budget by \$90,000 to account for fuel purchases and sales
- Approved amendment of the Sheriff's FY 2022 Budget by \$25,622.57 using revenue received from housing out of county juveniles to various line items
- Approved amendment of the Sheriff's FY 2022 Budget by \$150,483 in the PLUS Home Surveillance Program by increasing the General Fund contribution
- Approved an increase to the Sheriff's Motor Pool Budget by \$30,449 from Law Enforcement Vehicles to Law Enforcement Vehicle Rental
- Approved an increase to the Controller's Office FY 2022 Budget in the Equipment Revolving Pool Fund for up to \$5,000 for the purchase of a replacement printer
- Approved additional funding in the Controller's Office FY 2022 Budget for \$15,000 for the Corporation Counsel/Labor Relations activity and \$20,000 for the Corporation Counsel/Outside Legal Counsel activity
- Approved amendment of the Health Department's FY 2022 Budget to accept \$321,334 in COVID-related grant funding and amendment of the FY 2023 Budget to accept \$1,148,175 in COVID-related grant funding with local match of \$111,736
- Approved movement of \$1,400,000 from the FY 2021 Information Technology Mainframe Modernization Fund – Retained Earnings to FY 2022 Fund Balance due to vendor billing delays
- Approved amendment of the Information Technology FY 2022 General Fund Budget by increasing its phone line item by \$22,000 using Revenue Replacement funds
- Approved amendment of the Medical Examiner FY 2023 Fee Schedule to charge \$123/day for delay in body removal and the actual cost of transportation
- Approved an increase in revenue at Animal Care & Control by \$75,000 to reflect donations and to move \$25,000 from Wages & Fringes and \$144,000 from Fund Balance to cover operational costs, shelter supplies and other charges
- Approved amendment of the Controller's Office FY 2022 Budget by increasing the audit activity by \$15,000 using Revenue Replacement funds due to additional costs associated with the audit
- Approved Funding Metrics for FY 2023 for Saginaw Future pursuant to the Services Agreement between Saginaw County and Saginaw Future
- Approved extension of the employment contract to December 31, 2022 with Amy Deford, retired Benefits Administrator, to assist with Tyler/Munis conversion
- Approved requests from the Health Department to extend contracts with retirees Bethany Jacques, retired Computer and Data Analyst; Mary Patnode, Public Health Nurse; and Margaret Drayton, Medical Technologist, from October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023; to make changes to various PCNs and add a PCN related to the Immunization Program activity; and to combine two (2) part-time Hearing Technician PCNs into a full-time position
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with TPOAM regarding transfer of an employee from Friend of the Court to District Court and two (2) MOUs with UAW Local 455 regarding the Health Care Savings Program

- Approved American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding requests: (1) HVAC Courthouse renovations costs utilizing \$2 million from the Capital Improvement fund and the remaining balance of \$8,103,300 from ARPA funds; (2) Provide up to \$612,000 from ARPA funds to cover healthcare costs related to COVID-19 through December 31, 2022; (3) Reduce the amount allocated to Guidehouse for consultant services related to ARPA from \$925,000 to up to \$250,000 to free up the remaining funds; and (4) Contribute additional Revenue Replacement funds to Spaulding Township (\$46,495); Tri-Township Fire Department (\$84,150); and Chesaning – Brady Fire Department (\$125,000), and to add Buena Vista Fire Department with up to \$75,000 to replace its original request
- Approved amendment of the General Fund FY 2022 Budget by \$250,000 for potential deficit at Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works!
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 9-27-22.1, 9-27-22.2 and 9-27-22.3

RESOLUTIONS

Approved Resolution 2022 - 9	Resolution Establishing a Standard for Incident Management
Approved Resolution 2022 - 10	Resolution for the St. Charles Water Supply System Improvements
Approved Resolution 2022 - 11	Resolution Supporting the Concept of an Indoor Sports Complex for the Benefit of the Saginaw, Tuscola, and Genesee County Areas
Approved Resolution 2022 - 12	Resolution Authorizing Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Contract for Project at Harry W. Browne Airport
Approved Resolution 2022 - 13	Resolution Pledging the Full Faith and Credit of the County of Saginaw to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest on the Refunding Bonds for HealthSource Saginaw in accordance with Act 230

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- ◆ Approved Resolution "A" - FY 2022/2023 Budget (as amended)
- ◆ Approved Resolution "B" - FY 2022/2023 Salary Schedule
- ◆ Approved Resolution "C" - FY 2022/2023 Capital Improvement Plan
- ◆ Approved Resolution "D" - FY 2022/2023 Fee Schedule

APPOINTMENTS

None

ELECTIONS

None

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth thanked everyone for attending the Board Session despite the very rainy weather.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Slodowski introduced her “faux” son, Camden Garrett, Hemlock High School, who is writing an article on the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.
- Commissioner Krafft introduced members of the audience: Thomas Roy, Saginaw County Republican Party, and candidates for County Commissioner: Rich Spitzer, Mark Piotrowski, Denny Harris, Lisa Coney, and Tarsha Works.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk

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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 18, 2022 SESSION

The **October Session** of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:10 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18, 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, Kyle R. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Tracey L. Slodowski, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 11

Absent: – 0

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Jessica Sargent, Jennifer Broadfoot, Denny Harris, Lisa Coney, Tarsha Works, Kathy Smith, Kitty Packard, Megan Cottington-Heath, Allie Martinez, Eric Culpepper, Johnathon Castle, Undersheriff Gomez, Denise Babbitt, Brian Wendling, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Zack Robinson, Krystal Irvine, Thomas Roy, Mark Piotrowski, Dennis Borchard, Crystal Sanders, Jill Markey, Marissa Sawdon, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the September 8, 2022 Special Board Session and September 27, 2022 Board Session

PUBLIC HEARING

None

FOIA APPEAL

- The Board approved sending written notice to Cole Waterman - MLive upholding the denial of his Freedom of Information Act request of September 15, 2022 regarding autopsy and toxicology reports.

AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Tany presented Attorney Kathy Smith with a Proclamation for National Pro Bono Week, October 23 – 29, 2022
- Commissioner Winiecke presented Allie Martinez, Community Engagement Director at Underground Railroad, with a Proclamation for October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- Megan Cottington-Heath, candidate for Saginaw County Circuit Court Judge, detailed her record of work with family law and asked for support in the November election
- Vanessa Guerra, County Clerk, spoke in opposition to the request by Elected Officials to amend County Policy #335 – “Compensation” and establish a future separation of not less than 15% between the elected position and the highest pay grade within the office

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificate of Welcome to Bishop Tudor Bismark for Harvestfest
- Certificate of Recognition to Lillian Bickel upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday
- Proclamation for National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, October
- Proclamation for National Pro Bono Week, October 23 – 29, 2022

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved for Equalization the preliminary 2022 County Apportionment Report
- Approved a proposed, revised Saginaw County Ordinance regarding Surveillance, Invasion of Privacy or Security on County Property
- Approved amendment of the 10th Circuit Court – Family Division FY 2023 Budget to accept the “Raise the Age” grant in the amount of \$200,000 and the CPLR grant in the amount of \$70,843
- Approved a new PCN for a part-time caseworker position at Commission on Aging for a two-year term to assist with the Tyler/Munis conversion
- Approved a 90-day Professional Services Agreement with Vera Haller to assist with critical department functions at Commission on Aging
- Commissioner Privileged a request from Civil/Labor Counsel on behalf of some elected officials to revise County Policy #335 – Compensation (*Unfinished Business at the November 22, 2022 Board Session*)
- Approved American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding request from Saginaw Future for up to \$5 million for a Transformational Economic Development Project, pending the start of construction/ground-breaking by March 21, 2024
- Approved ARPA funding request from the Thomas Township Nature Center & Preserve for up to \$300,000 to match the MDNR contribution
- Approved the use of ARPA Revenue Replacement funds for three (3) previously approved Budget requests: Corporation Counsel (\$35,000); PLUS Surveillance (\$150,483); and Saginaw Future (\$140,525)
- Approved the contribution of up to \$2 million to make a one-time contribution to the Healthcare Fund to be allocated to all applicable departments and the General Fund portion to be applied against Revenue Replacement funds; Further, to establish the employee premium share as \$30 for single, \$150 for double, and \$110 for family and incorporate into Memorandums of Understanding with all applicable unions
- Approved closure of the Courthouse and all applicable county facilities at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, October 31, 2022 (Halloween) contingent upon consent of the Courts
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 10-18-22.1 and 10-18-22.2

RESOLUTIONS

- ❖ Approved Resolution **2022 - 14** Operation Green Light for Veterans

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Elected Kathleen (Kitty) Packard to the Department of Health & Human Services Board for a term that expires October 31, 2025
- ✓ Elected Isaac Reeves to the Parks & Recreation Commission to fill a vacancy for a term that expires January 1, 2025
- ✓ Elected John Sangster and Todd Hare to the Saginaw County Road Commission for a term that expires December 31, 2028

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth thanked everyone for their participation and support, urging everyone to continue to communicate with each other. He also noted that it is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and pointed out that Vice-Chair Matthews and the Controller were both sporting pink clothing, as well as Commissioner Slodowski. Chairman Ruth thanked Undersheriff Gomez for the tours he has hosted of the VirTra Simulator at the Sheriff's Office.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Vice-Chair Matthews announced the "Trunk or Treat" event hosted by the Sheriff's Office in the parking lot of Arthur Hill High School on Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Commissioner Krafft announced the passing of Irene Bronner, wife of Wally Bronner, who died at the age of 95. She was still active at Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland in Frankenmuth and leaves behind four children.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk

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SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 22, 2022 SESSION

The November Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 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, Kyle R. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Tracey L. Slodowski, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 11

Absent: – 0

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Koren Thurston, Jessica Sargent, Jennifer Broadfoot, Denny Harris, Mark Piotrowski, Rich Spitzer, Undersheriff Gomez, Norm Bamberger, Krystal Irvine, Eddie Foxx, Sam Tany, Yvette Syed, Donald Syed, Tom Miller, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Brian Wendling, Katie Kelly, Steven Black, Brittany Dicken, Mike Slodowski, Hon. Barbara L. Meter, Todd Borders, Marissa Sawdon, Mary Williams, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the October 18, 2022 Board Session, October 11, 2022 Committee of the Whole and October 26, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Tany presented Don Syed with a Certificate of Recognition for his dedication to cleaning up Carrollton Township and other Saginaw communities
- Commissioner Boyd presented Hon. Barbara L. Meter with a Proclamation for November as Child Safety Awareness Month and Family Court Awareness Month
- Steve Black, RACER Trust, and Brian Keenan-Lechel, Parks & Recreation Director, presented the RACER Edge Award to the Board of Commissioners
- Brittany Dicken, 10th Circuit Court Judge-elect, thanked commissioners and the community for the support on her campaign
- Vanessa Guerra, County Clerk, spoke in opposition to the request by Elected Officials to amend County Policy #335 – “Compensation” and establish a future separation of not less than 15% between the elected position and the highest pay grade within that office

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Child Safety Awareness Month (Hon. Barbara L. Meter)
- Family Court Awareness Month
- Certificate in Memory of Azola Williams, former Parks & Recreation Commissioner
- Certificate of Recognition to Don Syed for his dedication to cleaning up Carrollton Township and other Saginaw communities
- Certificate of Recognition to Saginaw County Sports Hall of Fame for inductees into its 20th Class of Outstanding Athletes/Teams:

**Nicole (Bade) Weirauch *Mike Boyd *John Decker *Max Fisher*

**Charles Rogers *Ron Rummel *LaMarr Woodley*

**St. Charles Football Team (1961 & 1965)*

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved waiver of the established euthanasia fee for indigent individuals at Animal Care & Control
- Approved the FY 2023 Budget of the Saginaw County Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Approved \$9,475 in performance-based funding to Saginaw Future pursuant to the Services Agreement
- Approved the final 2022 County Apportionment Report for Equalization
- Approved utilization of \$9,800 in General Fund fund balance by Maintenance to create a lactation/nursing area in the courthouse for the needs of employees
- Approved the addition of two (2) new fees to the Health Department Fee Schedule: High Dose Flu (\$80) and Trichomonas Testing (\$11.50)
- Approved utilization of \$200,000 from fund balance for video surveillance, access control, software & licensing, and intrusion/alarm detection at the new Animal Care & Control building
- Approved amendment of the FY 2023 General Fund budget by \$25,000 for county-wide appreciation events
- Approved a new PCN for a Secondary Road Patrol position for the Sheriff's Office
- Approved a temporary PCN for an Office Assistant II position at Commission on Aging
- Approved a new PCN to create a Public Health Nurse position at the Health Department
- Approved the appointment of Kristen Wenzel as Interim CEO at Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works! with a salary increase retroactive to September 19, 2022
- Approved changes to County Policy #361 – "Disability" to include language related to injury, illness, or mental illness; approval of fourteen (14) Memorandums of Understanding with appropriate unions regarding same
- Approved twelve (12) Memorandums of Understanding with appropriate unions regarding the one-time contribution to the healthcare fund
- Approved creation of a full-time Office Manager position in the Medical Examiner's Office
- Approved changes to County Policy #353 – "Wellness Activity Reimbursement" to expand eligible activities to include physical and mental health programs, facilities or activities
- Approved removal of the Bridgeport Fire Department from the September 27, 2022 ARPA Revenue Replacement funding recommendation
- Approved holding/setting aside up to \$500,000 of ARPA funds for removal and demolition of the vacant "Welcome Inn" Motel, with the caveat that if there is a positive gain Saginaw County will recoup those funds, until federal funding is finalized
- Approved \$363,353 in ARPA funds for the Kayak Launch Project in Chesaning on the Shiawassee River, pending the outcome of an application and award of a DNR Grant

- Approved \$165,789 in ARPA funds for Community Corrections to continue current staffing levels
- Approved referrals from the November 15, 2022 Committee of the Whole regarding use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, as follows: \$160,750 to HealthSource Saginaw for mental health technician staffing; \$60,000 to Crime Stoppers of Saginaw County; \$40,000 to Child & Family Services for mental health counseling for uninsured, high deductible or inability to pay; \$20,000 to Public Libraries of Saginaw for a Library of Things; and \$500,000 to the Saginaw Community Food Club for a non-profit grocery store
- Approved issuance of a Letter of Support to the State of Michigan regarding funding of the Midland Flood Reduction Plan, estimated to cost \$117 million
- Approved amendment of the FY 2023 General Fund budget by appropriating an additional \$6,500 for architectural/engineering services associated with the Board of Commissioners/Controller's Office Relocation Project
- Approved use of \$120,000 of the \$1 million in Public Works ARPA funding set aside for Little Eagle Creek on the Sarle Drain (\$60,000) and the Bement Drain (\$60,000)
- Approved the option of new construction of a Mosquito Abatement facility at an estimated cost of \$11,031,973
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 11-22-22.1 and 11-22-22.2

RESOLUTIONS

- ❖ Approved Resolution **2022 – 15** Resolution for Capital Improvements at Imerman Memorial Park
- ❖ Approved Resolution **2022 – 16** Resolution for Exemption from the Requirements of P.A. 152 of 2011

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Approved amended language to Policy #335 – “Compensation” – regarding a 15% salary separation between the countywide elected positions (Clerk, Prosecutor, Public Works Commissioner, Register of Deeds, Sheriff and Treasurer) and the highest pay grade within that office

APPOINTMENTS

- Re-appointed Randall Howard, Carol Cottrell, Kelli Scorsone, and Dr. William Cline to the Animal Control Advisory Council for terms to expire December 31, 2025
- Re-appointed Randy Knepper to the Mosquito Abatement Commission for a term to expire January 1, 2026

ELECTIONS

None

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and invited everyone to check out the holiday lights and decorations in Frankenmuth. He also asked for support of the Frankenmuth Eagles Football Team when it plays the Gladwin Flying G's at Ford Field on Saturday, November 26, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk




**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 20, 2022 SESSION**

The December Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at the Saginaw County Courthouse, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602 with the Honorable Carl E. Ruth in the Chair.

Present: Carol E. Ewing, Kyle R. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Carl E. Ruth, Tracey L. Slodowski, Jack B. Tany, Michael A. Webster – 9

Absent: Christopher S. Boyd, Cynthia M. Winiecke – 2

Others: Vanessa Guerra, Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Rep. Amos O’Neal, Jessica Sargent, Lisa Coney, Denny Harris, Mark Piotrowski, Rich Spitzer, Rosemary Ruth, Rosa Holliday, Omar Sawyer, Omar Sawyer II, Marilyn Sawyer, Wes Reinbold, Carol Reinbold, Angie Miller, Bryan Hash, Undersheriff Gomez, Krystal Irvine, Charles Campbell, Tarsha Works, Bill Stanuszek, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Brian Wendling, Marissa Sawdon, Mary Williams, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

 Commissioner Slodowski gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- o Minutes of the November 22, 2022 Board Session, November 15, 2022 Committee of the Whole and November 16, 2022 Committee of the Whole were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft presented Wes and Carol Reinbold with a Certificate of Recognition for Immanuel Lutheran Church & School upon its 175th Anniversary

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificate of Recognition to State Senator Ken Horn for his work on the expansion and repaving of Dixie Highway
- Certificate of Resolution to the Gladwin Flying G’s on its win against the Frankenmuth Eagles at the Division 5 finals at Ford Field on November 26, 2022
- Certificate of Recognition to Immanuel Lutheran Church and School on its 175th Anniversary
- Certificate of Recognition to Cheryl Rytlewski upon her retirement after 14+ years of service to Saginaw County and the Parks & Recreation Commission
- Certificate of Recognition to Larrie Packard after serving 20+ years on the Commission on Aging Board

- Certificate of Recognition to **Chairman Carl Ruth** for his service as a County Commissioner from 2001 – 2022
- Certificate of Recognition to **Carol Ewing** for her service as a County Commissioner from 2021 to 2022
- Certificate of Recognition to **Kyle Harris** for his service as a County Commissioner from 2017 to 2022
- Certificate of Recognition to **Cynthia Winiecke** for her service as a County Commissioner from 2021 to 2022
- Certificate of Recognition to Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc., Saginaw Alumni Chapter, Northern Provenance, upon its 50th Anniversary

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved utilization of \$298,806 in Law Enforcement Fund fund balance to purchase various items for its support units
- Approved allowing the Controller to make adjustments to Saginaw County’s ARPA reporting activities as requested
- Approved referrals from December 13, 2022 Committee of the Whole regarding use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, as follows: \$125,000 to YMCA for Mission Nutrition program expansion; \$100,000 to Youth Development Corp. for underserved at-risk youth education training/career placement; \$250,000 to First Ward Community Center for building upgrades; and \$250,000 to Community Action Committee for Community Center support. Additional recommendations were approved to (1) remove the School District of the City of Saginaw from consideration of ARPA funding; (2) challenge the City of Saginaw to match or exceed the allocation of \$100,000 to Youth Development Corp.; (3) place remaining funds of \$292,179 in reserve to be committed by December 31, 2023; and (4) award \$100,000 to the City of Saginaw from the Saginaw County Parks & Recreation ARPA allocation of \$1 million for a replacement stage at Ojibway Island
- Approved use of \$200,000 of the \$1 million in ARPA funding set aside for Public Works on the Parker Swamp Drain (\$880,000 balance after Sarle and Bement Drains, leaving \$680,000 for Little Eagle Creek Drain project)
- Approved use of \$297,000 in ARPA Revenue Replacement funds for a cost-of-living adjustments to non-union staff at HealthSource Saginaw
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 12-20-22.1 and 12-20-22.2

RESOLUTIONS

- Approved Resolution **2022 – 17** APPROVING APPORTIONMENT OF OPERATIONAL COSTS and ACCEPTING FOR FILE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET OF THE SAGINAW AREA STORM WATER AUTHORITY
- Approved Resolution **2022 – 18** RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE, ACQUIRE AND CONSTRUCT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A MOSQUITO ABATEMENT FACILITY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- ✓ Re-appointed Christina Dillard, Leon Turnwald, and Dan Sika to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for terms to expire December 31, 2025

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Re-elected Judith A. Lincoln, Jeffery Collier, Dr. Michael Sullivan, and Cheryl Hadsall to the Board of Health for terms to expire December 31, 2025
- ✓ Re-elected Tim Novak and Miguel Gomez to HealthSource Saginaw for terms to expire December 31, 2025
- ✓ Re-elected Darwin Baranski and Delena Spates-Allen to the Parks & Recreation Commission for terms to expire January 1, 2026

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Ruth presented a Certificate of Recognition to outgoing County Commissioners Kyle Harris after six (6) years of service and Carol Ewing after two (2) years of service.
- Commissioner Krafft presented a Certificate of Recognition to Chairman Ruth and wished him a happy retirement.
- State Representative Amos O’Neal presented Chairman Ruth with a Certificate of Recognition from the State of Michigan for his twenty-two (22) years of dedicated county service and a Certificate on behalf of Mayor Brenda Moore from the City of Saginaw.
- Commissioner Webster presented Chairman Ruth with a Certificate of Recognition from Congressman Dan Kildee and thanked Chairman Ruth for his leadership.
- Chairman Ruth thanked his colleagues for surviving and working with him as he was blessed to serve Saginaw County for the last 22 years. He introduced his wife, Rosemary, and his daughter, Lowana, as well as his Godchildren’s mother, Marilyn Sawyer, and his Godchildren Omar Sawyer, and Omar Sawyer II, and his good friend Rosa Holiday.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- After commenting on his outstanding athleticism at Saginaw High as a linebacker and full-back, Commissioner Tany thanked Chairman Ruth for his guidance and leadership – and for not running in the last election!
- Commissioner Krafft wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CARL E. RUTH, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy County Clerk