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**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
AUGUST 27, 2019 SESSION**

The August Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at the Saginaw County Courthouse with the Honorable Michael A. Webster in the Chair.

**Present:** *Kathleen K. Dwan, Cheryl M. Hadsall, Kyle R. Harris, Kirk W. Kilpatrick, Dennis H. Krafft, Sheldon Matthews, Amos O’Neal, Carl E. Ruth, Charles M. Stack, James G. Theisen, Michael A. Webster – 11*

**Absent:** – 0

Chairman Webster asked for a moment of silence for Judge Elian Fichtner on the recent loss of her son, calling her a profile in courage. He also mentioned a Spanish phrase, *Laborae est Deorae*, that focuses on the spirituality of working and the value of daily effort. Commissioner Matthews gave the invocation before leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Minutes from the June 18, 2019 Board Session were approved

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A Public Hearing was held on the proposed Saginaw County 2019/2020 Fiscal Year Budget and property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support General Government Operations
- A Public Hearing was held to consider the adoption of a Brownfield Plan for 3425 E. Holland and 1180 S. Outer Drive, Buena Vista, 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

**AUDIENCES**

- ◆ Gregory Willis spoke about delinquent taxes owed on three (3) rental properties and foreclosure by the Saginaw County Treasurer
- ◆ Mayor Floyd Kloc spoke on behalf of the citizens and taxpayers of the City of Saginaw requesting the Board of Commissioners reconsider locating the new Animal Care & Control building in the city
- ◆ John Milne, prompted by a communication sent to the City Manager by the County Controller, spoke about possible sites on the Riverfront in the City of Saginaw for the new Animal Care & Control building that would be free of charge and conveniently located near TheDow Event Center and the I-675 freeway

**LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

- Welcome to Saginaw County to the Wolverine State Missionary Baptist Convention – 101<sup>st</sup> Annual Session
- Certificate of Recognition to Saginaw High School Class of 1979 on its 40<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion

## INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved creation of a Health Officer position and issuance of a Personnel Control Number (PCN) at the Health Department
- Approved the FY 2020 9-1-1 Communications Center Authority Budget and approved utilization of \$300,000 from the State of Michigan wireless funds account
- Approved submission and acceptance of the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$57,123 from the Department of Justice to be split evenly with the City of Saginaw
- Approved an Indemnification and Release Agreement between the Diocese of Saginaw and Saginaw County for the proper disposition of unclaimed cremains
- Approved payment of electronic and voucher claims for May and June 2019
- Laid Draft #2 of the FY 2020 County Budget, as amended, on the table for approval at the September 17, 2019 Board Session
- Approved amendment of the Budget Fee Schedule for out-county autopsy services from \$1,500 to \$1,700 for the Medical Examiner
- Approved an Inter-Fund Loan Agreement for Saginaw County Information Technology to borrow \$1.3 million from the Delinquent Tax Fund for a Wide Area Network Fiber Implementation Project
- Approved Officer and Employee delegates to the Michigan Employees' Retirement System (MERS) 2019 Annual Meeting in Acme, MI October 2 – 4, 2019
- Approved modification of the Workstation Coordinator and Accountant I positions at Michigan Works! to make them full-time, to leave the position of Account Specialist vacant, and to waive the hiring freeze for the Workstation Coordinator and Accountant I
- Referred a request from Parks & Recreation to adjust the pay scale to Step 4 for the Parks Foreman back to the Labor Relations Committee in September
- Approved waiver of the hiring freeze to fill two (2) positions of Road Patrol Deputy and one (1) Office Assistant in the Sheriff's Office; Legal Clerk I – Victim's Assistant Clerk in the Prosecutor's Office; Delivery Driver – Floater (PT) at Commission on Aging; and Office Assistant II (PT) and WIC Technician at the Health Department
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Saginaw County Trial Court and the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners with an effective date of August 27, 2019 - December 31, 2019
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 8-27-19.1, 8-27-19.2, 8-27-19.3 and 8-27-19.4

## RESOLUTIONS

- ❖ Approved Resolution "A" authorizing application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for development of a Splash & Spray Pad at Haithco Recreation Area
- ❖ Approved Resolution "B" approving a Full Faith and Credit Resolution regarding a Drain Note for the Misteguay Creek Intercounty Drain Drainage District
- ❖ Approved Resolution "C" approving a Full Faith and Credit Resolution regarding the sale of bonds for the Misteguay Creek Intercounty Drain Drainage District
- ❖ Approved Resolution "D" approving the Brownfield Plan for property located at 3425 E. Holland and 1180 S. Outer Dr., Buena Vista Charter Township, formerly known as The Welcome Inn
- ❖ Approved Resolution "E" approving Resolution to Issue Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019A to finance the cost of acquiring, licensing, installing and replacing Capital Improvement items to modernize the County's mainframe and software applications
- ❖ Approved Resolution "F" approving Notice of Intent to Issue General Obligated Limited Tax Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$13 million for the purpose of designing, constructing and equipping a new shelter for Saginaw County Animal Care & Control

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

## APPOINTMENTS

- Chairman Webster appointed **Mary Speaker** (District #1) to the **Commission on Aging** to fill a vacancy with a term to expire December 31, 2019
- Chairman Webster appointed **Gerald Kariem** to the **Economic Development Corporation** to fill a vacancy with a term to expire April 1, 2023

## ELECTIONS

None

## CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Webster recognized the July recess and taking that time to reflect on the last six (6) months and our accomplishments. Commissioners had some great ideas to engage employees that he agreed with and we recognized employees with department visits (with cupcakes!) and held a New Employee Reception with approximately 65 employees. We also held a bike give-away, a pancake breakfast, and a summer celebration at Party on McCarty where we handed out business cards with the saying – “Hi, Hello, How Are You?” Chairman Webster mentioned the book *The Go-Giver* and how it is being passed around to employees and he read a Thank You note received from Probate Court employees thanking the Board of Commissioners for closing Saginaw County offices on July 5<sup>th</sup> to extend the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.

## COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft invited everyone to Frankenmuth Auto Fest from September 6 – 8, 2019 beginning downtown on Friday and then moving to the Harvey Kern Pavilion in Heritage Park. In addition to over 2,500 classic cars, there is food, fun and entertainment all weekend.
- Commissioner Matthews invited everyone to Morley Plaza this Saturday, August 31, 2019, where approximately 350 backpacks, school supplies and personal items will be given away for those in need. Saginaw County Commissioners, elected officials and administrative staff financially supported this effort.

Respectfully Submitted,

## SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**MICHAEL A. WEBSTER, CHAIRMAN**

**MICHAEL J. HANLEY, CLERK**

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