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

The second day of the January Session of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:02 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at the Saginaw County Courthouse, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602 with the Honorable Christopher S. Boyd in the Chair.

Present: Christopher S. Boyd, Lisa R. Coney, Denny M. Harris, Dennis H. Krafft, Gerald D. Little, Sheldon Matthews, Mark S. Piotrowski, Tracey L. Slodowski, Richard A. Spitzer, Jack B. Tany and Michael A. Webster – 11

Absent: – 0

Others: Dave Gilbert, L. William Smith, Koren Thurston, Brian Wendling, John McColgan, Chief Judge Gafkay, Blair Stevenson, Linda James, Deputy Ryan Boylen, Dennis Borchard, Lacey Ziola, Dan Armentrout, Phil Karwat, Leon Turnwald, Rene DeSander, Bill Stanuszek, Chris Harrington, Mary McLaughlin, Arthur Weber, George Corbat, Gary McLaughlin, Philip Shaver, Jeremy Maxson, Chris Klawuhn, Hurley Coleman III, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Brian Keenan – Lechel, Suzy Koeplinger, Marissa Sawdon, Catherine Hicks, and others

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the December 12, 2023 Special Board Session and the Minutes of the December 19, 2023 Board Session were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Piotrowski presented Certificates of Recognition to Arthur Weber, George Corbat, and Gary McLaughlin after 50+ years of service to the Tittabawassee Township Fire Department.
- Hurley Coleman III provided an update on Community Action Committee ARPA spending and home repair projects.
- Rene DeSander, Saginaw County Mosquito Abatement Commission (SCMAC) trustee, spoke and provided a communication requesting revenue from the sale of the SCMAC facility of \$4,750,000 be credited to the SCMAC budget.

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- ❖ Certificate of Recognition to Arthur Weber, George Corbat, and Gary McLaughlin in recognition of serving 50+ years on the Tittabawassee Township Fire Department
- ❖ Certificate of Recognition to National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc., Gamma Kappa Chapter for its annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Prayer Breakfast

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved changes to Saginaw County Animal Control Advisory Council Bylaws
- Approved alteration of a previous agreement to allow for raises to Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys and Management Staff with a referral to Budget/Audit Committee for funding and Labor Relations Committee for negotiation of new pay scales by Civil/Labor Counsel
- Approved revisions and updates to County Ordinance #114, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control
- Approved a road millage proposal to be placed on the August 6, 2024 Primary Ballot for levy of 2 mills during the years 2024 – 2029 for the Saginaw County Road Commission
- Approved designation of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners as the County Approval Agency (CAA) and to appoint a Designated Planning Agency (DPA) to replace the existing Solid Waste Management Plans with new Materials Management Plans
- Approved amending the Public Improvement Fund by up to \$275,000 for the relocation of Circuit Court Probation from 1931 Bagley St. to 618 Cass St.
- Approved amending the Sheriff's Restricted Public Improvement Fund by up to \$52,000 to replace two (2) oversized 25 horsepower booster pumps with properly sized 10 horsepower booster pumps to remedy over-pressurization problems at the Jail
- Approved vendor/financial transactions for December 2023
- Approved increase of \$199,148 to the county's FY 2024 General Fund Maintenance of Effort payment to the Health Department
- Approved amendment of the Prosecutor's Office FY 2024 Budget by \$185,000 as new revenue (\$100,000 from MDHHS and \$85,000 from the City of Saginaw) and to use existing funds for APA and management staff raises
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Saginaw County Trial Court and UAW Local 455 – Unit 48 regarding the hiring of Michael Yelsik as the Circuit Court Administrator
- Approved authorization to negotiate with the appropriate unions to adopt new pay scales for Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys and management staff in the Prosecutor's Office
- Approved Civil Counsel to proceed with negotiations and purchase a portion of the Towerline Road property and authorize the expenditure to procure the legal description and survey drawings for twenty (20) acres, including all buildings and improvements for \$500,000. Further, to waive the Purchasing Policy related to competitive bidding regarding hiring a contractor for a design-build with Saginaw Public Schools for purchase of a renovated building for Mosquito Abatement Commission
- Approved Committee Compensation Reports 1-16-24.1 and 1-16-24.2

RESOLUTIONS

- **Approved Res. 2024 – 1** Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Drain Notes, Series 2024 (Smith Drain Project)
- **Approved Res. 2024 – 2** Resolution to Purchase, Acquire, and Construct Capital Improvement and to Publish Notice of Intent to Issue Municipal Securities (Saginaw County Road Commission)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Boyd made the following appointments:

Animal Control Advisory Council

- ✓ Tom McIntyre (*Reappointment*), Laureen Lutenski, Michele Fleming (*To fill vacancies*) with terms to expire 12/31/26
- ✓ Emilie Lyday (*To fill a vacancy*) with a term to expire 12/31/25

Mosquito Abatement Commission

- ✓ Richard Spitzer (*Commissioner Representative*) with a term to expire 1/1/25

Solid Waste Management Planning Committee

- ✓ Ronald Helmer (*General Public*) with a term to expire 12/31/24

ELECTIONS

- ✓ Re-elected John Sangster (*resident of Buena Vista Township*) and elected Christopher Boyd (*resident of a Saginaw County Township with a population over 35,000*) to the **Land Bank Authority** for terms to expire December 31, 2027.

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Chairman Boyd recognized the biggest University of Michigan fan at Saginaw County, Prosecutor John McColgan, for attending the NCAA Football Championship game in Houston, Texas. He also related to the audience that members of the U of M football team took the championship trophy to C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor and commended them on proving they are winners off the field as well.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- Commissioner Krafft announced Zehnder's Snowfest in Frankenmuth, which begins Wednesday, January 24th and runs through Sunday, January 28th and includes snow sculpting and ice carving competitions, children's activities, fireworks, petting zoo, entertainment, warming tent and more.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CHRISTOPHER S. BOYD, CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA, COUNTY CLERK

Prepared by: Suzy Koeplinger, Deputy Clerk