

## MINUTES

### KALAMAZOO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MARCH 7, 2017

PLACE: Room 204, County Administration Building

TIME: 3:00 p.m. – 6:36 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners John Gisler, Tracy Hall, Ron Kendall, Scott McGraw, Stephanie Moore, Mike Quinn, Julie Rogers, Michael Seals, Dale Shugars, Roger Tuinier and Kevin Wordelman

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Tracie Moored, Thom Canny, Lotta Jarnefelt, Tim Snow, Kristine Cunningham, Dina Sutton, Mary Balkema, Megan Buwalda, Jim Rutherford, Rick Fuller, Paul Matyas, Jeff Getting

Chairman Shugars convened the Committee of the Whole at 3:00 p.m.

1. Public Housing Commission Interviews

The Board introduced themselves and interviewed the following candidates:

- Matthew Hollander
- Lisa White
- David Anderson

Commissioner Gisler arrived at 3:03 p.m.

2. Road Commission Appointment

Vice Chair Moore stated she would like a consensus from the Board who to appoint to the Road Commission.

Chairman Shugars indicated all applicants interviewed well and all brought great qualities to the Board.

The Board had consensus to appoint Larry Stehouwer and David Pawloski to the Road Commission.

Discussion ensued.

The Board would vote on the appointments at the Board meeting later that evening under New Business.

Vice Chair Moore thanked the Board Appointment Committee for their work. She indicated the Board interviewed applicants for BPW, DHS, and Remonumentation and would be bringing those recommendations forward to the full Board.

Commissioner Seals indicated there was a vacancy on the Aeronautics Board and there were two candidates that interviewed late in 2016 and the Board expressed interested in appointing one of these individuals when the next vacancy occurred. Commissioner Seals indicated staff would get the applications to the Board.

Commissioner Tuinier arrived at 4:05 p.m.

3. Review of Transfers and Disbursements

Ms. Lisa Robert, Finance Director stated claims for March 7, 2017 totaled \$1,593,467.17. She indicated there were several releases of funds for various items as well as some budgetary line item realignments.

4. Bronson Park City Grant Application, Memorandum of Understanding

Mr. Jeff Chamberlain, City of Kalamazoo presented a Power Point presentation to the Board.

Chair Shugars thanked Mr. Chamberlain for his hard work.

Commissioner Wordelman inquired about any discussion occurred on public restrooms and Mr. Chamberlain indicated discussion had occurred but did not feel Bronson Park was the right solution.

Mr. Chamberlain indicated the County would act on this item at their next meeting on March 21, 2017.

5. Refunding of Juvenile Home Facility

Ms. Lisa Robert introduced Mr. Steve Mann, Bond Counsel from Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone and Mr. Robert Bendzinski, Municipal, Bendzinski & Co. Advisor and reviewed her memo as included in the packet.

Chair Shugars inquired about the net savings, did that include all the expenses for the Bond and Ms. Robert indicated that was correct.

Chair Shugars thanked Administration and all those who worked on this issue.

6. ID Task Force Update

Commissioner Tracy Hall provided a brief update to the Board on the ID Task Force work to this point. She indicated there had been five subcommittees created. She stated the Task Force was working from the Resolution the Board passed and indicated there was a lot of work left to do.

Commissioner Ronald Kendall indicated the issue came down to cost.

Chair Shugars asked the Task Force to make a list of what would be beneficial of the Federal Government to do and of the State Government to do.

Commissioner Seals stated he was contacted by DHS and they indicated they may not be able to accept a County Issued ID.

Commissioner Rogers thanked Commissioners Hall and Kendall, Elected Officials, and community members for all of their hard work they had been doing.

Commissioner Rogers stated she would like to see something in writing prior to the presentation.

Commissioner Tuinier also thanked everyone. He inquired if the County Issued ID would be accepted in other Counties and Commissioner Hall indicated it would not be.

Commissioner Tuinier inquired if the State of Michigan would accept the County Issued ID and Commissioner Kendall indicated the Michigan Secretary of State indicated they would not accept or recognize the County ID.

Vice Chair Moore inquired if the County Issued ID go towards the point system for the State of Michigan and Commissioner Kendall indicated it would not.

Discussion ensued.

7. Any other items

Commissioner McGraw distributed a Draft Resolution Honoring Portage Rotary on its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in which he would like the Board to adopt at the next Board meeting on March 21, 2017.

Commissioner Rogers stated she was supportive of the Proclamation.

Commissioner Wordelman stated he served on the Cradle Kalamazoo and as part of that ERACE was planning a Health Equity Conference on April 7<sup>th</sup> and he would like to attend and have the County pay for it.

Commissioner Rogers stated she felt it would be beneficial for others to attend and would be supportive of other commissioners also attending, including Commissioner Moore.

8. Executive Session

Commissioner Rogers moved and it was duly seconded that the Board of Commissioners, functioning as a Committee of the Whole, go into a closed session pursuant to Sections 8 (c) and (h) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing issues related to the County's labor negotiations and to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: All members present  
Nays: None  
Abstains: None  
Absent: None

The motion carried.

9. Adjournment – no later than 6 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Shugars adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

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Dale Shugars, Chairman  
Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners