



KALAMAZOO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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KALAMAZOO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 2, 2017

ITEM 1 Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Shugars, at 7:00 pm in the Board of Commissioner's Room, second floor, County Administration Building, 201 West Kalamazoo Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan, on August 2, 2017.

ITEM 2 Invocation: Commissioner Roger Tuinier.

ITEM 3 Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Tuinier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 4 Roll Call: 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.

Administrators Present: Tracie Moored, County Administrator/Controller; Thom Canny, Corporate Counsel; Jeff Getting, Prosecuting Attorney; Timothy A. Snow, County Clerk; Dina Sutton, Executive Coordinator.

ITEM 5 Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Wordelman moved and it was duly seconded that the Minutes of the July 18, 2017 Board meeting be approved as distributed.

There being no discussion, the motion carried by a voice vote.

ITEM 6 Communications:



Commissioner Tuinier presented the following communications which are on file in the Administrative Services Office unless otherwise noted:

- a) A Notice of Public Hearing of the Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health Regional Entity Substance Abuse Use Disorder Oversight Policy Board meeting.
- b) A Resolution from Bay County opposing amending House Bill 4651 and Senate Bill 400 to include any additional State of Michigan taxes on telephone service customers under the guise of 9-1-1 surcharge.
- c) A Resolution from Bay County opposing slashing federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.
- d) A Letter from Ms. Carrie Jo Anderson, President Michigan Association of County Veterans Counselors opposing the transfer of the County's Veterans Affairs Office to Kalamazoo County Community Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services.

Commissioner Gisler stated he received a communication concerning the transfer of the Veterans Affairs Office.

Commissioner Quinn stated he received communications supporting a Senior Millage.

Commissioner Wordelman stated he would like a copy of the letter from Ms. Carrie Jo Anderson.

ITEM 7 Citizens' Time

Chairperson Shugars stated that Citizens' Time was when any citizen could address the Board on a non-agenda item. He said anyone wishing to address the Board on a non-agenda item should come to the podium, give their name and address, and limit their remarks to four minutes. He said if anyone would like to speak about an item that was on the consent agenda, they could ask that it be removed from the consent agenda at this time or he would provide an opportunity just prior to that section of the agenda.

Several citizens spoke in favor of a Senior Millage.

Ms. Bridget Bell, Kalamazoo Conservation District indicated there was a recent invasion of crayfish and Japanese Knotweed and indicated her office would be the point of contact on these issues.

Ms. Karma Hassell, Kalamazoo Conservation District introduced herself.

ITEM 8 For Consideration

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Request for Approval of 25 Year Resolution Honoring Suzette Joseph

Proposed Motion: I move that the Board of Commissioners approve the following Resolution:



WHEREAS, Suzette Joseph has served the citizens of Kalamazoo County for twenty-five (25) years as of July 20, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Suzette Joseph has faithfully served as Field Services/Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Manager; and

WHEREAS, the County of Kalamazoo wishes to acknowledge and honor employees who have longevity under the umbrella of County Government, since it is through longevity that expertise in the employee's particular field is achieved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners does hereby acknowledge with gratitude the many years of dedication and service Suzette Joseph has imparted to the citizens of the County and offers its best wishes for many more years of mutual association.

Circuit Court

B. Request for Approval of 2017-2018 Child Care Grant and Budget

Proposed Motion: I move that the Board of Commissioners approve the 2017-2018 Child Care Grant and Budget in the amount of \$10,631,800 for the period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

Health & Community Services

C. Request for Approval of Notice of Funds Available (NFA) #5 to the DOE Weatherization Agreement from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)

Proposed Motion: I move that the appropriate County officials be authorized and directed to accept NFA #5 to the DOE Weatherization Agreement from MDHHS for the provision of a range of services in the amount of \$318,602; a copy of said NFA #5 to be attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

D. Request for Approval of Amendment #11 to the Community Services Block Grant Agreement CSBG14-39015 with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)

Proposed Motion: I move that the appropriate County officials be authorized and directed to execute Amendment #11 to the Community Services Block Grant Agreement CSBG14-39015 with the MDHHS to extend the Contract until September 30, 2018; a copy of said Amendment #11 to be attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

E. Request for Approval of Coordination Agreements for Elevated Blood Lead Case Management

Proposed Motion: I move that the appropriate County officials be authorized and directed to execute Coordination Agreements to provide care coordination services for elevated blood lead cases effective August 1, 2017 with annual renewals; a copy of said Agreements to be attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

- Priority Health
- United Health Care
- Meridian
- McLaren



- Blue Cross Blue Shield

Information Systems

F. Request for Approval of Fiber Lease Agreement with CTS Communications

Proposed Motion: I move that the appropriate County officials be authorized and directed to execute Fiber Lease Agreement with CTS Communications for networking and telecommunications with the new HCS Facility at a cost not to exceed \$46,600 with on-going maintenance fees of \$290/annually; a copy of said Agreement to be attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

Sheriff

G. Request for Approval to Purchase AFIX Computer System for the Consolidated Crime Lab (Drug Law Enforcement Funds)

Proposed Motion: I move that the Board of Commissioners approve the use of Drug Law Enforcement Funds to purchase AFIX Computer System for the Consolidated Crime Lab in the amount of \$10,324.

H. Request for Approval to Purchase Armor Proof Windows for the MRAP Rescue (SWAT Vehicle) (Drug Law Enforcement Fund)

Proposed Motion: I move that the Board of Commissioners approve the use of Drug Law Enforcement Funds to purchase Armor Proof Windows for the MRAP Rescue (SWAT Vehicle) in the amount of \$9,141.

Board of Commissioners

I. Request for Approval of Transfers and Disbursements

Proposed Motion: I move that the Board of Commissioners approve the Transfers and Disbursements as defined and set forth in the document entitled, "Recommended Transfers and Disbursements, dated August 2, 2017", noting claims in the total amount of \$2,381,571.01 be approved; that the County Clerk be authorized to certify to the County Treasurer that the Board has approved on this date the disbursements in the list dated August 2, 2017, and the Director of Finance be authorized to make budgetary transfers, as listed.

J. Request for Approval of a Contract with BoardSync Meeting Management Solution (Automation Fund)

Proposed Motion: I move that the appropriate County officials be authorized and directed to execute a Contract with BoardSync for a Meeting Management Solution for the board agenda process in the amount of \$13,787 for the first year which includes a one-time implementation fee of \$1,799 and annual fees of \$11,988; a copy of said Contract to be attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

K. Request for Approval of Resolution Encouraging State to Endorse Convention of States

This Item was removed from the Consent Agenda.

L. Request for Approval of Amendment #1 to Alcott Lease Agreement with PlazaCorp

Proposed Motion: I move that the Board of Commissioners approve Amendment #1 to Alcott Lease Agreement with PlazaCorp for 400 Bryant Street to amend the Lease to document the approval of the approved plans, the advanced funding, and adjustments to base rent effective August 2, 2017; a copy of said Amendment #1 to be attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.



M. Request for Approval of Notice to Proceed on Land Transfer Agreement with MW Acquisitions, LLC

Proposed Motion: I move that the Board of Commissioners approve the Notice to Proceed on Land Transfer Agreement with MW Acquisitions, LLC; a copy of said Notice to Proceed to be attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

Proposed Motion for Consent Agenda: I move that Items A. through M., with the exception of Item K., be voted on at one time by a roll call vote and be considered as a consent agenda by the Board.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

The motion carried.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following Items are Non-Consent Agenda Items and will be voted on individually.

K. Request for Approval of Resolution Encouraging State to Endorse Convention of States

Commissioner McGraw moved and it was duly seconded that the Board of Commissioners approve the following Resolution:

Whereas, the \$19.8 trillion national debt is staggering, but it only tells a part of the story: The federal government owes around \$100 trillion more in vested Social Security benefits and other programs; and

Whereas, the federal bureaucracy has placed a regulatory burden upon businesses that is complex, conflicted, and crushing, and little accountability exists when agencies—rather than Congress—enact the real substance of the law; and

Whereas, for years Congress has been using federal grants to keep the states under its control and by combining these grants with federal mandates, Congress has turned state legislatures into their regional agencies rather than respecting them as truly independent republic governments; and

Whereas, the Founders of the United States Constitution empowered State legislatures to be the guardians of liberty against excessive use of power by their Federal Government; and

Whereas, the Federal Government has lost all restraint in limiting its fiscal powers of spending, creating a crushing unsustainable national debt; and

Whereas, the Federal Government has so invaded the constitutionally *reserved* powers of the States in violation of the 10th Amendment, thereby threatening State Government sovereignty; and



Whereas, our U.S. Supreme Court has often refused to live within the proper confines of their limited powers; and

Whereas, a *career class* of rulers, both elected and appointed, have usurped power from the people.

Be it therefore resolved by Michigan's State Legislature that it call on Congress to convene a *Convention of States* limited to proposing U.S. Constitutional Amendments that impose fiscal restraints on the Federal Government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the Federal Government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress.

Be it further resolved that the Kalamazoo County Commission hereby urges other county commissions in Michigan to likewise call on our State to initiate action of the same sort, as granted by the United States Constitution in Article V.

Vice Chair Moore inquired if this required any County resources, did it need to be filed, what was the impact on the County.

Commissioner McGraw indicated there would not be any cost except with clerical staff's time.

Commissioner Hall stated she would not support this Resolution.

Several citizens' stated they were in support of the Resolution.

Several citizens' stated they were not in support of the Resolution.

Commissioner Wordelman stated he was inspired by the debate, however, he would not support the Resolution as written.

Commissioner Quinn stated he appreciated Commissioner McGraw for bringing this Resolution forward, he appreciated the comments made by citizens as well as the debate. He stated he would not support this Resolution.

Commissioner Seals stated he would not support this Resolution.

Commissioner McGraw stated he would support the Resolution.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:	Commissioners McGraw, Shugars, Tuinier, Gisler
Nays:	Commissioners Hall, Seals, Wordelman, Quinn, Rogers, Kendall, Moore
Abstains:	None
Absent:	None



The motion failed.

ITEM 9 Old Business

There was no old business.

ITEM 10 New Business

There was no new business.

ITEM 11 County Administrator's Report

County Administrator Ms. Tracie Moored stated a Sheriff Deputy Misner was injured this past weekend and was in the County's thoughts and prayers. She indicated there would be a lot of construction on the outside of the Alcott sight.

ITEM 12 Member's Time

Commissioner Tuinier indicated the Washington Square project was very impressive.

Commissioner Quinn indicated there were programs that assisted with paying property taxes. He stated the County did not impose taxes it only allowed the citizen's vote.

Commissioner Kendall thanked the Township officials for reaching out to him concerning the election. Commissioner Kendall indicated there were flaws with the Resolution that was proposed tonight.

Commissioner Rogers welcomed the USTA Families to Kalamazoo. She thanked MLive for the article on a recent Brownfield project. She stated she along with Vice Chair Moore attended NACo and was impressed. She stated Art Hop would feature the Washington Square project. She also stated she was impressed "with the programming at the NACo conference, but was disappointed Kalamazoo County did not cast a vote in the election or for bylaws changes because the Vice Chair signed our credentials over to Wayne County instead of me when she left the conference early."

Commissioner McGraw stated he was disappointed with the vote on the Resolution. He stated he attended the groundbreaking ceremony for Stryker last week.

Commissioner Seals expressed his concerns with the proposed Resolution that failed.

Commissioner Gisler stated the Road Commission was still making progress on projects throughout the County.

Commissioner Wordelman invited everyone to the upcoming County Fair.

ITEM 13 Vice Chairperson's Report



Vice Chairperson Moore thanked Treasurer Balkema for the card and flower for remembrance of the little girl who passed away. She mentioned several upcoming events. She mentioned a client of the Clerk's Office fell and injured herself and thanked the Clerk's staff and the community who stepped up and came to her aid. She indicated the NAACP was hosting a Call to Into Action meeting on September 16th.

ITEM 14 Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Shugars asked Administrator Moored to put the NACo and MAC items on the next retreat agenda.

ITEM 15 Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairperson Shugars adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Timothy A. Snow
Clerk/Register of Deeds

Dale Shugars, Chairperson
Kalamazoo County Board of
Commissioners

