



KALAMAZOO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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MINUTES

KALAMAZOO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

May 15, 2018

PLACE: Room 204, County Administration Building

TIME: 4:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Roger Tuinier

OTHERS PRESENT: Tracie Moored, James VanDyken, Mary Balkema, Pat Wright, Lotta Jarnefelt, Rachael Grover, Lisa Henthorn, Amanda Morse, Kristine Cunningham, Tim Meeker, Rick Fuller, Dina Sutton

Chair Moore convened the Committee of the Whole at 4:00 p.m.

1. Active Emergency Presentation - Sheriff Richard Fuller

Sheriff Fuller presented an Active Emergency Power Point presentation.

Commissioner Rogers thanked Sheriff Fuller for his presentation and thanked him and his staff for this training.

Commissioner Seals inquired if the full training had a mental health component and the Sheriff indicated it did.

Commissioner Gisler inquired how the 911 text worked and Sheriff Fuller indicated just type in 911 and send your message.

Commissioner McGraw asked for clarification on the 911 text option.

Commissioner Wordelman thanked the Sheriff for offering these trainings.

Commissioner Hall thanked the Sheriff for his presentation. She indicated she discussed this with her students. She inquired about Smart 911 and Sheriff stated you could register for it through Dispatch.

Commissioner Seals wanted to know if there was an educational piece to the 911 texting or the Smart 911. Sheriff Fuller indicated there had been educational awareness and advertising for these services.

Chair Moore thanked the Sheriff for his presentation. She hoped that County Departments would be able to receive this training as well.

2. Office of Emergency Management Update - Sheriff Richard Fuller

Sheriff Fuller provided the Board with the history and an update on the Office of Emergency Management. He introduced Mr. Pat Wright who presented a Power Point presentation.

Commissioner Seals indicated there were required annual reports that the OEM needed to coordinate with several business, schools, etc. and were time consuming.

Commissioner Seals thanked Mr. Wright along with his support for all of his hard work and dedication.

Commissioner Rogers thanked the Sheriff and Mr. Wright for the update. She recognized the OEM was understaffed.

Mr. Wright indicated the support system within the community was remarkable, however, the Board of Commissioners needed to be brought into the loop and aware of what the OEM did, particularly on a day-to-day basis.

Chair Moore thanked the Sheriff and Mr. Wright for all of their work on the recent flooding issues.

3. Review of Disbursements - Ms. Amanda Morse

Ms. Amanda Morse, Deputy County Administrator indicated there were disbursements in the amount of \$1,937,929.96.

Commissioner Kendall inquired what the legacy costs were for each department. Ms. Morse indicated Administration would provide those to the Board.

4. Resolution to Adopt the Kalamazoo County Master Plan - Ms. Lotta Jarnefelt

Ms. Lotta Jarnefelt, Director of Planning & Development presented an overview of the Master Plan. She introduced Neil Sikora, Chair of the Planning Commission. She indicated the Board needed to adopt a Resolution to schedule a Public Hearing on the Kalamazoo County Master Plan.

Chair Moore indicated the Master Plan was on the County's website.

Commissioner Rogers thanked Ms. Jarnefelt for providing a printed copy of the Master Plan. She indicated the maps in the Plan were remarkable and much appreciated.

Commissioner Rogers stated she would like to see Community Action Agency and Veterans Affairs Office included as resources in the Plan.

Commissioner Gisler stated the County was being well served by Ms. Jarnefelt and Mr. Sikora and the Planning Commission.

Chair Moore stated she felt there was support to move forward with approving the Plan.

Commissioner Kendall inquired what relationship did the County have with the City regarding their Plan. Ms. Jarnefelt indicated the City was only part of the Master Plan as being included in the County's Plan as each Unit of Government had their own.

5. Kalamazoo County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Presentation - Resources for Redevelopment - Ms. Lotta Jarnefelt

Ms. Jarnefelt introduced Ms. Rachael Grover as well as members of the EDC/BRA. Ms. Grover presented a Power Point presentation on the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.

Commissioner Rogers thanked Ms. Grover and the BRA for all of their hard work over the last several years.

Vice Chair Shugars directed Ms. Grover to see what changes to the PA 381 might be beneficial to the County.

6. Any other items

There were no other items.

7. Closed Session

Commissioner Hall 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 Section 8 (c) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing issues related to the County's labor negotiations.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: All members present

Nays: None

Abstains: None

Absent: Commissioner Roger Tuinier

The motion carried.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairperson Moore adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.



Stephanie Moore, Chairperson
Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners