

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

PRESENT: Comm. Stimpson, Bales, Bolton, Collins, Goetz, Jenkins-Arno, Krasny, Tillotson, and Wittenbach

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Craig Tanis, Steve Currie (Michigan Association of Counties), Cynthia Given, Matt Turgeon, Troy Bevier, Jim Van Doren, Gordon Gauss, Erin Van Dyke, Brittany Kurutz, Jen Ambrose, Burke Castleberry, Shannon Elliott, Kevon Martis, Bethany Teague, Ian Wendt (WLEN), Mary Lowe (Daily Telegram), Kim Murphy, Rebecca Borton and Roxann Holloway.

The meeting was opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comm. Bolton moved to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2022, and the August 24, 2022, meetings, Comm. Wittenbach seconded. Motion CARRIED.

Comm. Tillotson moved to accept the agenda, as presented, seconded by Comm. Bolton. Motion CARRIED.

Communications read.

Limited Public Comment was opened for any agenda item.

There was no public comment.

Comm. Goetz moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Comm. Bolton,
ENERGY EFFICIENCY & RENEWABLE ENERGY **RES#2022-016**
WHEREAS, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners support energy efficiency and renewable energy sources aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reducing demand for energy imports; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners adopted a Green Initiative Policy for governmental offices in 1998 and we continue to improve energy efficiency efforts within the complexes while exploring renewable energy options; and
THEREFORE, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners supports renewable energy in Michigan and we encourage others to support the industry as well.
THEREFORE, Lenawee County continues to respect, encourage, and support our agricultural heritage, and the rules and regulations of the local municipalities planning process.
Discussion followed. Motion carried by the following Roll Call Vote: (6) YEAS Comm. Bales, Bolton, Goetz, Jenkins-Arno, Tillotson and Wittenbach. (3) NAYS Comm. Collins, Krasny and Stimpson.

Steve Currie presented an update from Michigan Association of Counties.

He also presented Lenawee County with a Bicentennial Proclamation Tribute, on behalf of MAC.

Shannon Elliott and Rebecca Borton presented a brief history recognizing Lenawee County's Bicentennial.

Comm. Krasny thanked Rebecca Borton for all her hard work in preparing the presentation and proclamation.

Comm. Bolton moved to approve the following consent agenda items, Comm. Wittenbach seconded,

Drain Commission/Reclassification Request: The reclassification of Interim Sewer & Water Systems Superintendent to Sewer and Water Systems Superintendent at the grade step of NU8050-6yr is APPROVED.

Rehmann – Finance Director Services: The extension of Finance Director Services with Rehmann is APPROVED.

FOURTH QUARTER: OCTOBER 1, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2022 **RES#2022-015**

RESOLUTION ENACTING FOURTH QUARTERLY ALLOTMENT OF ALLOCATIONS

WHEREAS, the 2022 General Appropriations Act provided for the allotment of appropriations on a periodic basis when financial circumstances warrant; and

WHEREAS, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners deems that financial circumstances exist whereby the quarterly allotment of appropriations contained in the 2022 General Fund Budget is deemed desirable; and

WHEREAS, the financial circumstances dictate that other steps also be taken to contain expenditures during the fiscal year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners, that the expenditure of the 2022 appropriations as contained in the 2022 General Fund Budget be established for the period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022, and that the elected and appointed officials responsible for appropriations be so notified, and;

BE IT RESOLVED that said County officials shall not cause obligations to be incurred against, nor shall payment be made from appropriations in excess of the amount provided in the schedule.

RES#2022-015 is APPROVED.

MAXIMUS/Cost Allocation Plan: A three-year agreement between MAXIMUS Consulting and Lenawee County at a cost of \$11,750 per year is APPROVED.

Veterans Relief Fund – Revised L-4029: The amended 2022 Tax Request Rate (L-4029) and authorize the Chair to sign is APPROVED.

MI Rehabilitation Services – Interagency Agreement: The 2023 Interagency Cash Transfer Agreement between the County of Lenawee and Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS) is APPROVED.

Landbank Authority – Loan Forgiveness: The \$143,300 loan to the Land Bank Authority to purchase properties is hereby FORGIVEN.

ADA Security – HSB/Annex/OCH: The contract with A.D.A. Security, Inc. to provide security services at the Human Services Building, Old Courthouse, and Annex from September 16, 2022 through December 31, 2023 is APPROVED.

Kiwanis Trail Project – Change Order: The change order of the Kiwanis Trail Extension for tree removal in the amount of \$36,645 is ACCEPTED.

Annex Bldg/Public Defender Renovations: The renovations of the Public Defender’s Office in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 with funding to come from 401.901.890 (Capital Fund – Contingency Division) is APPROVED.

Motion to approve the consent agenda CARRIED by a Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Comm. Bales reported from the Human Services Committee.

Comm. Bolton reported from the Rules & Appointments Committee.

Comm. Tillotson reported from the Physical Resources Committee.

Comm. Tillotson reported from the Personnel/Ways & Means Committee.

Comm. Tillotson moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Comm. Bolton,

RES#2022-017 COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PERFORMANCE REVIEW

WHEREAS, the County Administrator provides staff assistance to the County Commission and its various committees, they are responsible for communication between the Commission and its various program areas, and are essential in providing efficient central services for all Lenawee County departments; and

WHEREAS, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners has made known its intent to conduct a periodic review of the County Administrator’s performance to provide constructive feedback from the Board of Commissioners, to make any adjustments in focus, and to set goals for the upcoming year; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly L Murphy was unanimously nominated by the Board of Commissioners on February 22nd, appointed County Administrator on April 1, 2022, and the Board of Commissioners called for an evaluation on August 10th; and

WHEREAS, the review process included input from at least one department head from the courts, two elected officials in the executive branch, and two appointed officials, as well as, written evaluations submitted by each commissioner and a formal interview by the full Commission.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners find Ms. Murphy to be performing **SATISFACTORY** and the following goals have been set:

1. Goal 1
2. Goal 2
3. Goal 3

OR

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners found Ms. Murphy to be performing **UNSATISFACTORY** and the following remediations are to be met

1. Remediation 1
2. Remediation 2
3. Remediation 3

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a follow-up review is to be conducted in 6 months.

Discussion followed. Motion CARRIED by a Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Comm. Tillotson moved to approve the Administrator Employment Contract, Comm. Wittenbach seconded, discussion followed.

Comm. Krasny moved to postpone to the regular October meeting, Comm. Jenkins-Arno seconded, Motion FAILED by the following Roll Call Vote: YEAS: Comm. Collins, Jenkin-Arno and Krasny. NAYS (6) Comm. Bales, Bolton, Goetz, Stimpson, Tillotson and Wittenbach.

Motion to approve the Administrator's Employment Contract CARRIED, by the following Roll Call Vote: YEAS (7) Comm. Bales, Bolton, Goetz, Jenkins-Arno, Stimpson, Tillotson and Wittenbach. NAYS (2) Comm. Collins and Krasny.

Comm. Tillotson reported from the Accounts Payable Committee.

August 11, 2022-

Comm. Tillotson moved to approve total vouchers for payment in the amount \$3,957,333.50 with the general fund's portion being \$312,785.90, Comm. Wittenbach seconded. Motion CARRIED.

August 25, 2022-

Comm. Tillotson moved to approve total vouchers for payment in the amount \$2,408,856.43 with the general fund's portion being \$182,036.42, Comm. Wittenbach seconded. Motion CARRIED.

September 8, 2022-

Comm. Tillotson moved to approve total vouchers for payment in the amount \$4,138,422.41 with the general fund's portion being \$179,079.08, Comm. Wittenbach seconded. Motion CARRIED.

Comm. Wittenbach reported from the Parks Commission.

Comm. Bales reported from the Road Commission.

Comm. Bolton reported from the Health and Human Services.

Comm. Bolton reported from the Dept. on Aging Committee.

Comm. Goetz reported from the Solid Waste Committee.

Comm. Bolton reported from Michigan Works.

Comm. Tillotson reported from the Substance Abuse (CMHPSM).

Comm. Collins reported from Veteran's Affairs.

Comm. Collins reported from the Emergency 9-1-1 District Board.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Comm. Jenkins- Arno moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Bolton,

BICENTENNIAL LENAWEE COUNTY ~ 200 YEARS

PRO#2022-12

WHEREAS, the creation of counties generally occurred in two stages. First the boundaries of a county were declared and second, the county was given a name.

WHEREAS, on September 10, 1822, a section of Monroe County was partitioned off and was to be called Lenawee; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 1826, the Legislative Council of the Territory of Michigan approved the organization entitling all rights and privileges which by law, the inhabitants of the other counties of this territory are entitled; and

WHEREAS, the landscape of Lenawee varies from relatively flat to moderately hilly which was determined by the movement of the continental glaciers; and

WHEREAS, the woodlands and waterways created by these glaciers drew the first settler; and

WHEREAS, farmers cleared the lands and have grown a variety of grains, vegetables, fruits, and trees in the rich soils ever since; and

WHEREAS, railroads were built and attracted industries, jobs, and more people; and

WHEREAS, today, Lenawee County has a diversified job force and is home to great recreation and entertainment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners recognizes the significance of Lenawee County's Bicentennial Celebration and as we celebrate 200 years, we recognize all 34 communities; each one with its own characters and attributes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we urge all citizens, businesses, organizations, and schools to take part in celebrating this historic endeavor and rediscover our history by exploring museums and historical sites throughout the county.

Motion carried by a UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Limited Public Comment:

Public comment was received by Bethany Harpst.

Comm. Stimpson announced that a special Board of Commissioner's Meeting would be held at 6:00 p.m. this evening regarding ARPA funds.

Administrator Murphy announced that she and Deputy Administrator Elliott would be attending the MAC Conference next week.

Comm. Tillotson moved to adjourn at 2:52 P.M. Comm. Goetz seconded. Motion CARRIED.

Roxann Holloway, County Clerk

David Stimpson, Chair

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