

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
May 11, 2023
9:00 a.m.

Chairman Kohlman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers on the lower level of the County Complex Building. Pastor Dufour opened the meeting with a prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Commissioners Brad Haggadone, William Hamilton, Gary Howell, Kevin Knisely, Tom Kohlman, Truman Mast, Bryan Zender

Others: Jackie Arnold, Interim County Controller/Administrator and Chief Financial Officer, Doreen Clark, Assistant to the Administrator, Lynette Stanford, Secretary/Deputy County Clerk

Motion by Knisely, supported by Haggadone, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Hamilton, supported by Knisely, to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Motion carried.

Elected Official/Department Head Updates

Undersheriff Odette gave a brief update regarding recent Department statistics.

Rachel Horton, Animal Control Division Chief gave a brief update regarding her Department.

Public Time – four people spoke during public time.

Jerry Johnson, District Coordinator, MSU Extension gave an update on the current programs. Phil Kaatz, Extension Educator- Forages, Field Crops also gave an update.

Motion by Zender, supported by Haggadone, to recommend to the Full Board, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Community Corrections Grant, for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, for the proposed award amount of \$342,520.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Haggadone, supported by Knisely, to recommend to the Full Board, to accept the Region 10 Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) Prevention Services Contract Amendment #8 for a total of \$25,900.00; and further, to authorize the Chair/Vice-Chair to sign said amendment. Motion carried.

Stephanie Hamilton, GLTA presented information regarding the "Rides to Wellness" Program.

Motion by Howell, supported by Hamilton, to recommend to the Full Board, to authorize payment to Shifman Fournier, in the amount of \$1,800.00, for labor related legal services rendered through April 30, 2023, to be paid from line item 101-239-801.020. Motion carried.

Motion by Zender, supported by Knisely, pursuant to motion 145-2023 of the April 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting, giving the Committee of the Whole the authority to act, which shall include forwarding the motion to the next regular meeting to be entered into the record, to award the Community Mental Health Re-Roofing Project to Family Building Company of Lapeer in accordance with their proposal dated April 26, 2023, in the amount of \$164,000.00, and to authorize an additional contingency of \$10,000.00, to be paid from the Capital improvement fund, based on the sealed bid process and recommendation of H2A Architects. Motion carried.

Motion by Zender, supported by Haggadone, to recommend to the Full Board, to adopt the following Resolution for the Village of Otter Lake to participate in the Genesee County Community Development to promote the improvement of housing and neighborhood conditions:

RESOLUTION # 2023-R06

WHEREAS, the Village of Otter Lake, Michigan, wishes to be a participating local government in the Urban County Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program of Genesee County, Michigan, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, The Village of Otter Lake is physically divided between Lapeer County, Michigan, and Genesee County, Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, said Housing and Community Development Act permits a local government which is physically divided between two county governments to include its entire population and geographic area within one county for the purpose of participating in said county's Community Development under Title I of said Housing and Community Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Otter Lake wishes to include its entire population and geographic area in the Genesee County Community Development Program; and,

WHEREAS, Lapeer County is being requested to approve a Cooperative Agreement between the Village of Otter Lake and Genesee County which would permit the Village of Otter Lake to include the entire village in its participation in the Genesee County Community Development Program; and,

WHEREAS, said full participation by the Village of Otter Lake would promote the improvement of housing and neighborhood conditions in said village.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners approves of the continued participation of the Lapeer County portion of the Village of Otter Lake in the Genesee Community Development Program for fiscal years 2024 – 2026; and further, to authorize the Chairman of the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners to approve the Cooperative Agreement which provides for participation of the Village of Otter Lake in the Genesee County Community Development Program.

Roll Call vote: Zender, aye; Haggadone, aye; Hamilton, aye; Howell, aye; Knisely, aye; Mast, aye; Kohlman, aye. 7 ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Amy Cell gave an update regarding the hiring process for the County Controller/Administrator position.

Motion by Howell, supported by Zender, to refer the discussion regarding the Prosecutor's salary to the June 8, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Motion carried.

Public Time – five people spoke during public time.

The Commissioners made statements regarding Public Time comments, and gave brief reports on upcoming meetings and events.

Motion by Hamilton, supported by Knisely, to go into Closed Session for the following purposes:

1. For the purpose of consulting with the County's appointed legal counsel, Attorney Carlito Young, and Civil Counsel, Prosecutor John Miller, regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with ongoing pending litigation in the case of the "Estate of Eric Overall vs. Lapeer County, et al," and to review and consider attorney-client privileged material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute; and,
2. Pursuant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, subsection 8(f), to review and consider the contents of applications for employment related to the vacant County Controller/Administrator position with Amy Cell Talent for the candidate(s) that requested that their application remain confidential, with the understanding that all interviews will be conducted publicly.

Roll Call Vote: Hamilton, aye; Haggadone, aye; Howell, aye; Knisely, aye; Mast, aye; Zender, aye; Kohlman, aye. 7 ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting recessed. 10:43 a.m.

Lynette Stanford, Secretary/Deputy County Clerk was excused, and Theresa M. Spencer, Lapeer County Clerk remained. 10:45 a.m.

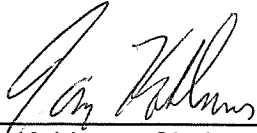
The meeting reconvened. 10:58 a.m.

Motion by Howell, supported by Knisely, to go out of closed session. Motion carried. 11:59 a.m.

Motion by Howell, supported by Knisely, to approve the minutes of the closed session. Motion carried.

Motion by Hamilton, supported by Haggadone, to hold a Special Meeting on Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of interviewing and discussion of candidates for the position of County Controller/Administrator. Motion carried.

Motion by Mast, supported by Haggadone, to adjourn the meeting. 12:00 p.m.



Tom Kohlman, Chairman
Committee of the Whole