

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
September 14, 2023
9:00 a.m.

Chairman Kohlman called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. in the Commission Chambers on the lower level of the County Complex Building. Carol Brown was invited to open the meeting with a prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Others: Moses Sanzo, County Controller/Administrator, Jackie Arnold, Chief Financial Officer, Lynette Stanford, Secretary/Deputy County Clerk

Motion by Knisely, supported by Zender, to approve the agenda with the addition of two resolutions, a proposed change in Municipal Employees' Retirement System Division 13, the Friend of the Court Fiscal Year 2024 Access and Visitation Grant, a discussion regarding Household Hazardous Waste/Clean Sweep event, and the deletion of a closed session. Motion carried.

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

Elected Official/Department Head Updates

John Miller, Prosecutor spoke regarding Jury Trials and the Courts.

Theresa M. Spencer, County Clerk spoke regarding Jury Trials and the new Early Voting plan development.

Kathy Haskins, R.N., B.S.N., MPH, Director/Health Officer spoke regarding the current COVID rumors.

Pete Kirley, Director of Veterans Affairs gave the recent statistics and update regarding his Department.

Public Time – six people spoke during public time.

Steve Currie, Executive Director of Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), gave an Annual update.

Motion by Haggadone, supported by Hamilton, to recommend to the Full Board, to accept the 5-year Cooperative Reimbursement Program Grant for Fiscal Year 2024-2028 (#CSPA24-44002) between the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and Lapeer County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, as submitted; and further, to authorize the County Controller/Administrator to electronically accept the grant and that a copy be forwarded to the County Clerk to be entered into the official record as an exhibit. Motion carried.

Motion by Haggadone, supported by Hamilton, to recommend to the Full Board, to accept the 5-year Cooperative Reimbursement Program Grant for Fiscal Year 2024-2028 (#CSFOC24-44001) (CFDA#93.563) between the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and Lapeer County Friend of the Court, as submitted; and further, to authorize the County Controller/Administrator to electronically accept the grant and that a copy be forwarded to the County Clerk to be entered into the official record as an exhibit. Motion carried.

Motion by Zender, supported by Haggadone, to recommend to the Full Board, to authorize the renewal of the annual Everbridge NIXLE mobile alert system service through March 2024, at a cost of \$7,725.00, to be reimbursed through Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) (CFDA#97.067) grant funding, at no additional cost to the County General Fund. Motion carried.

Motion by Howell, supported by Knisely, to recommend to the Full Board, to accept the bid and authorize Emergency Management to proceed with the purchase of fifteen (15) Milwaukee MX Fuel ROCKET Tower Light/Charger with batteries and fifteen (15) batteries from Dunn Hardware and Supply, at a cost of \$40,026.90, from line item 258-424-977.000, and subsequently reimbursed by the identified Fiscal Year 2022 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds. Motion carried.

Motion by Haggadone, supported by Howell, to recommend to the Full Board, to authorize the payment to OCV, in the annual amount of \$4,995.00 for the Sheriff's App. to be paid from line 207-350-810.070, at no additional cost to the County General Fund. Motion carried.

Motion by Hamilton, supported by Zender, to recommend to the Full Board, to approve the amended Swipe Card identification Badge Policy (to increase the card replacement fee from \$5.00 to \$10.00), as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion by Zender, supported by Haggadone, to recommend to the Full Board, to accept the four-year Strengthening Public Health Workforce and Infrastructure in Michigan grant, with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) through 2027, in the total amount of \$704,738.00 per Local Health Department (LHD) (or \$176,184 per year for four years) and to be paid out annually each year, and to authorize the Health Department Director to electronically sign the agreement and that a copy be forwarded to the County Clerk to be entered into the official record as an exhibit. Motion carried.

Motion by Howell, supported by Knisely, to recommend to the Full Board, to accept the Fiscal Year 2024 Health Department Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Grant Agreement in the amount of \$190,332.00, and to authorize the Health Department Director to electronically sign the agreement and that a copy be forwarded to the County Clerk to be entered into the official record as an exhibit. Motion carried.

Motion by Hamilton, supported by Zender, to recommend to the Full Board, to approve the Change Notice 1 to Grant No CPS-2023-41-28 between the Department of Corrections and Community Corrections reflecting a decrease of \$30,000.00 for a new authorized budget total of \$260,000.00, with the understanding that the decrease will not affect programming or office operations. Motion carried.

Motion by Haggadone, supported by Zender, to recommend to the Full Board, to approve the following Budget Amendment, as submitted by Community Mental Health:

LAPEER COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENT FORM

FUND NAME: CMH ORIGINATOR: Info: (416) 534-2822

RECEIVED: 8-24-23 REVIEWED: FORWARDED: RETURNED:

ACCOUNT NUMBERS			ORIGINAL AMENDED BUDGET	ORIGINAL AMENDED BUDGET	REQUEST BUDGET INCREASE	REQUEST BUDGET DECREASE	NEW AMENDED BUDGET
FUND	ACTIVITY	ACCOUNT					
222	600	533	City's Incentive Agreement Fund	23,300		1,200	24,500
222	605	174	Maintenance Pool 30- City Vehicles	73,000		14,639	87,639
222	640	615	Bldg. Equip. & Maint. - City	41,000		50,000	91,000
222	640	622	Office Equip. & Maint.	8,000		20,000	28,000
222	640	628	Information Tech.	3,500		2,500	6,000
222	670	312	Professional Services	1,570		300	1,870
222	670	313	Contract Support	244,300		47,000	291,300
222	670	321	City of Lapew Support	117,900		43,700	161,600
222	670	323	Maintenance of Buildings	3,800		6,200	10,000
222	670	324	Maintenance of Vehicles	18,200		15,000	33,200
222	670	325	Maint. Equip. & Supplies - Comm.	3,000		2,600	5,600
222	670	326	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm.	29,200		3,300	32,500
222	670	327	Maintenance of Power Systems	17,200		20,200	37,400
222	670	328	Maintenance of Sewer Systems	37,500		22,200	59,700
222	670	329	Maintenance of Water Systems	22,000		22,000	44,000
222	670	330	Maintenance of Streets & Parks	117,000		23,500	140,500
222	670	331	Construction Services - Comm.	137,000		23,500	160,500

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222	640	615	Bldg. Equip. & Maint. - City	73,000		11,200	84,200
222	640	622	Office Equip. & Maint. - City	23,000		12,500	35,500
222	640	628	Information Tech.	18,000		7,000	25,000
222	640	629	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm.	28,000		2,000	30,000
222	640	630	City of Lapew Support	88,300		19,400	107,700
222	640	631	State, Federal, County Support	314,300		29,600	343,900
222	640	632	Legal Fees	55,000		20,000	75,000
222	640	633	Advertising	21,000		5,000	26,000
222	640	634	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm. Equip.	23,500		1,000	24,500
222	640	635	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm. Equip.	55,000		7,500	62,500
222	640	636	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm. Equip.	18,200		2,200	20,400
222	640	637	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm. Equip.	63,000		22,000	85,000
222	640	638	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm. Equip.	33,700		8,300	42,000
222	640	639	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm. Equip.	14,800		4,500	19,300
222	640	640	Construction, Repair & Maintenance - Comm. Equip.	12,500		4,500	17,000

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Motion carried.

Motion by Hamilton, supported by Knisely, to recommend to the Full Board, to authorize payment to Shifman Fournier, in the amount of \$2,430.00, for labor related legal services rendered through August 31, 2023, to be paid from line item 101-239-801.020. Motion carried.

Motion by Howell, supported by Knisely, to refer the revised Training Registration/Overnight Travel Policy, to the Policy and Procedures Committee. Motion carried.

Motion by Zender, supported by Howell, to recommend to the Full Board, pursuant to the Request for Proposal (RFP) process and subsequent review and interviews with the potential vendors of the submitted bids, to accept and award the Camera and Cabling Services Project as follows:

C&R Electric: Not to exceed \$260,000.00
IT upgrades: Not to exceed \$30,000.00
Cornerstone: Not to exceed \$50,000.00

for a total not to exceed \$416,000.00 (\$340,000.00 plus a 20% contingency of \$76,000.00), to be paid from the American Rescue Plan Act Committee (ARPA) Fund 281 (expense category 6.1). Motion carried.

Motion by Knisely, supported by Howell, to recommend to the Full Board, to adopt the following Resolution 2023-R10:

Lapeer County Resolution 2023-R10
State of Michigan Sanitary Code Resolution

Whereas, there are currently pending in the Michigan Legislature certain bills, SB299, SB300, HB4479 and HB4480, which would impose statewide regulations for the implementation of and maintenance of septic systems; and,

Whereas, these bills as presently drafted, would require inspection of all systems every five years and would impose much greater expenses and work hours on local public health departments; and,

Whereas, the bills would dramatically increase the requirements for septic inspectors and make it much more difficult to find, hire and retain qualified personnel; and,

Whereas, the current legislation does not provide a permanent, secure funding mechanism to cover these increased costs, which will invariably be shifted to our local health departments; and,

Whereas, the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners recognizes the critical importance of protecting Michigan's water resources, including groundwater, lakes and streams, and other surface waters, but concludes that the bills do not provide a sustainable or financially feasible solution in areas that do not have the benefit of municipal sanitary systems; and,

Whereas, soil types vary considerably throughout Michigan making it difficult to establish generalized "one size fits all" rules for septic systems.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners opposes SB299, SB300, HB4479 and HB4480 as introduced and urges the Michigan Legislature to consider the costs to local health departments & residents before adopting changes to the septic provisions of the Michigan Public Health Code.

Therefore, Be It Further Resolved, that this resolution be forwarded to all Michigan counties, Michigan Association of Counties, members of the Michigan Legislature and to other stakeholders.

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

Motion by Howell, supported by Haggadone, to recommend to the Full Board, to adopt the following Resolution 2023-R11:

Lapeer County Resolution No. 2023-R11
Resolution in Support of Local Government Control Over Zoning

- WHEREAS,** Lapeer County, located in the great state of Michigan, cherishes its rich history and natural beauty, and is committed to preserving its unique character; and,
- WHEREAS,** the residents and businesses of Lapeer County have a vested interest in the responsible and sustainable development of our land, including decisions related to zoning for mining, solar farms, and wind farms; and,
- WHEREAS,** local government control over zoning decisions is essential to ensure that the unique needs, values, and concerns of our community are taken into consideration when determining land use policies; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of protecting the health, safety, and welfare of our residents, as well as the long-term environmental and economic activity of our region; and,
- WHEREAS,** the state of Michigan has considered and proposed legislation that would grant the state government authority to override local zoning decisions related to mining, solar farms, and wind farms; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners firmly believes that such legislative actions would undermine the principles of local governance, infringe upon the rights of our citizens, and disrupt the carefully crafted zoning regulations that reflect the best interests of our community; and,
- WHEREAS,** we, the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners, are committed to representing the will and best interests of our constituents, and to protect and preserve the integrity of local government control over zoning.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its unwavering support for local government control over zoning decisions, including those related to mining, solar farms, and wind farms; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners opposes any efforts by the state of Michigan to assume control over zoning decisions regarding mining, solar farms, and wind farms within the boundaries of Lapeer County; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the State of Michigan, members of the Michigan State Legislature, and other relevant state and local officials to convey our firm position on this matter; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners shall actively engage with state legislators, as well as regional and local stakeholders, to protect the interests and autonomy of our community in matters of zoning.

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

Motion by Hamilton, supported by Knisely, to recommend to the Full Board, to accept the Fiscal Year 2024 Access and Visitation Contract (CFDA# 93.597); and further, to authorize the Chair/Vice-Chair to sign said Contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Howell, supported by Mast, to recommend to the Full Board, to authorize the submission of the Request for Projection Study form to Municipal Employees' Retirement System in order to proceed to remove the seven (7) County Commissioners from the other Elected Officials Division 13 in to their own separate Defined Contribution Division, which includes a Defined Benefit freeze to Defined Contribution with the conversion option, per the request of the Board of Commissioners; and further, to authorize payment in the amount of \$2,100.00 to Municipal Employees' Retirement System for performing the services; to be paid from line item 101-239-801.030. Motion carried.

Motion by Zender, supported by Haggadone, to recommend to the Full Board, to authorize Administration to organize two (2) Household Hazardous Waste/Clean Sweep events annually, at two (2) different locations within the County. Motion carried.

Public Time – No comments were received.

Commissioner Reports

At this time, the Commissioners had an opportunity to give brief reports on meetings and conferences that they have recently attended, as well as upcoming meetings and events, along with statements regarding public time comments.

County Controller/Administrator and/or Chief Financial Officer updates

Moses Sanzo, County Controller/Administrator spoke regarding the Proposed 2024/2025 Budget.

Motion by Haggadone, supported by Hamilton, to adjourn the meeting. 11:36 a.m.

Tom Kohlman, Chairman
Committee of the Whole