



MINUTES

St. Clair County Board of Commissioners Judiciary/Public Safety Committee

**Board of Commissioners' Room
County Administrative Office Building, 2nd Floor
200 Grand River Avenue
Port Huron, MI 48060**

May 4, 2023 at 6:00 PM

1. Roll Call/Opening

Commissioner Vandenbossche called the meeting to order at 6:26 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Steve Simasko, Jorja Baldwin, Lisa Beedon, Jeff Bohm, Joi Torello, Dave Rushing and Dave Vandenbossche

Commissioners Absent: None

2. Additions/Deletions/Changes to the Agenda

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Jeff Bohm, to add the Harsens Island Transportation Authority Update and the Board of Canvassers Compensation to the agenda. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to approve the agenda as revised. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

3. Citizens to be Heard

Ken Harris re: Policy and State Law

Conor Allen re: Constitutional County

4. Updates

A. Addition: Harsens Island Transportation Authority - Update

Harold Bain, Harsens Island Transportation Authority, discussed grant funding possibilities they are seeking with the goal of adding an additional ferry service. They are requesting a letter of support to secure additional funding. Some discussion continued.

5. Conceptual Initiatives

A. Livingston County Constitutional County Resolution 2023-04-063

Commissioner Simasko discussed a resolution recently passed by Livingston County declaring themselves a Constitutional County. Discussion occurred regarding a previous resolution passed by the Board regarding 2nd Amendment rights. Having discussions with the Prosecuting Attorney and Sheriff were discussed.

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

A. FY2024 Michigan Mental Health Court Grant Program Application and Budget

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Lisa Beedon, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the FY 2024 Michigan Mental Health Court Grant Program application in the amount of \$381,665. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

B. Homeland Security Advisory Council Membership

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to appoint Rand Bennett, Clergy and Melissa Cunningham, Hospital-Alternate to the Homeland Security/Emergency Management Advisory Council. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

C. 2022 Homeland Security Grant Program – Operation Stonegarden Grant Agreement Approval

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the 2022 Operation Stonegarden Grant Agreement in the amount of \$146,250. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

D. Central Dispatch Advisory Board - Appointment

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to appoint Assistant Chief Brian Kerrigan to the Central Dispatch Advisory Board, Criminal Justice Representative Alternate, for the remainder of a 4-year term expiring 12/31/24. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

E. FY24 Michigan Indigent Defense Council (MIDC) Grant Application Approval

Mike McMillan, Circuit Court Administrator, discussed the difficulties securing court appointed attorneys at the current hourly rate of pay.

Moved by Jeff Bohm, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the

recommendation to approve the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission grant application for FY23-24 in the amount of \$3,593,694.46. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

F. Contract Approval Request - Hyland -Document Composition for OnBase

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Jeff Bohm, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the agreement with Hyland for an addition of a Document Composition license for the Prosecuting Attorney for a 3-year term in the amount of \$15,000. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

G. Resolutoin 23-07 Setting Court Appointed Attorney Rate of Pay for St. Clair County Circuit Court

Moved by Jorja Baldwin, supported by Steve Simasko, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to adopt Resolution 23-07 setting the Court Appointed Attorney rate of pay for St. Clair County Circuit Court. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

H. Contract Renewal Approval Request - Aramark Correctional Serivces, LLC

Moved by Steve Simasko, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve Addendum L to the Operating Agreement with Aramark Correctional Services for inmate food service in the amount of \$87,000 approximately for a term of 05/01/23 through 12/31/23. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

I. Day Treatment Night Watch (DTNW) Renovation Project – Architectural Services Bid Award & Recommendation

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the agreement with Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick for architectural services for the Day Treatment/Night Watch Renovation project in the amount not to exceed of \$77,700. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

J. Addition: Board of Canvassers Compensation

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the compensation schedule for the Board of Canvassers as presented. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

8. Other Judiciary/Public Safety Matters

None

9. Information Only

None

10. Receive and File Packets

Moved by Jorja Baldwin, supported by Lisa Beedon, to receive and file packets and all information received. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Carried - Voice Vote 7-

0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

Committee Chair: Dave Vandenbossche

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