



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**

November 2, 2023 at 6:00 PM

1. Roll Call/Opening

Commissioner Vandebossche called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

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

Commissioners Absent: None

2. Additions/Deletions/Changes to the Agenda

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

3. Citizens to be Heard

Carol Miller, Port Huron Township re: Animal Control, EDA, last Commission meeting/Solar Farms

4. Updates

Commissioner Vandebossche gave an update on the countywide mobile and handheld radio project for fire departments. The rollout is being slowed down to ensure encryption will not be an issue. They are also working with the State of Michigan.

Gary Fletcher, Corporation Council, gave clarification that Commissioner Baldwin did not have authority, nor responsibility to fix the minutes from the Fort Gratiot meeting. He also stated that her smile was addressed to him, not a citizen's comment.

5. Conceptual Initiatives

None

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

A. FY 2023 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Agreement Approval

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Joi Torello, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the FY 2023 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) agreement in the amount of \$23,754. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

B. Amendment to FY 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Agreement

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the amendment to FY 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) / American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) agreement increasing the total allocation by \$9,820 for a total combined amount of \$33,574. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

C. Homeland Security Advisory Council Membership

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by David Rushing, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to appoint Chief Dave Westrick to the Homeland Security Advisory Council as Fire Chief's Association representative. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

D. Judge Armstrong Courtroom Renovations

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to award RFP-AD-0523-465 for Judge Armstrong's Courtroom renovations to Beem Construction in an amount not to exceed \$140,500. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

E. FY2024 Michigan Mental Health Court Grant Program contract

Moved by Joi Torello, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve FY2024 Michigan Mental Health Court Grant Program in the amount of \$381,665. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

F. FY 2024 Recovery Court Grant Agreement Approval

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Lisa Beedon, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve FY 2024 Recovery Court Grant Agreement for the term of 10/1/2023 through 09/30/2024 in the amount of \$57,000 with no local match. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

G. FY24 Raise the Age Grant Agreement Approval

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Joi Torello, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve FY24 Raise the Age Grant Agreement for the term 10/1/2023 through 09/30/2024 in the amount of \$273,240. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

H. 2023/2024 Child Care Fund Budget

Moved by Joi Torello, supported by David Rushing, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve 2023/2024 Child Care Fund Budget as presented. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

I. Courts Contract Extension Approval Request - Viviente Software

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the agreement extension with Viviente Software for the term of 11/19/2021 through 12/01/2023 for an additional \$26,250 for a total not to exceed amount of \$268,825. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

J. Sheriff Contract for Police Services with Charter Township of Fort Gratiot

Moved by Jorja Baldwin, supported by Lisa Beedon, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the Sheriff contract for law enforcement services with the Charter Township of Fort Gratiot for the term of 1/1/2024 through 12/31/2026 for a 3-year total cost of \$3,390,648. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

K. Sheriff Contract for Police Services with Charter Township of East China

Moved by Jeff Bohm, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the Sheriff contract for law enforcement services with the Charter Township of East China for the term of 1/1/2024 through 12/31/2026 for a 3-year total cost of \$614,373. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

8. Other Judiciary/Public Safety Matters

Commissioner Torello inquired about the status of the elevator project at the courthouse. Administrator Hepting stated the contract was extended and we are working with the vendor to try to complete.

9. Information Only

None

10. Receive and File Packets

Moved by David Rushing, supported by Jeff Bohm, 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 David Rushing, to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

Committee Chair: Dave Vandenbossche

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