



MINUTES

St. Clair County Board of Commissioners Ways and Means Committee

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

February 2, 2023 at 6:00 PM

1. Roll Call/Opening

Commissioner Rushing called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

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

Commissioners Absent: None

2. Additions/Deletions/Changes to the Agenda

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

3. Citizens to be Heard

Rob Drewek, Memphis - re: Eddy Development update

4. Updates

None

5. Conceptual Initiatives

A. Proposed Technology and Communications Equipment Policy Revisions - S. Simasko

Commissioner Simasko discussed revising the Technology and Communications Equipment Policy to prohibit the use of TikTok on electronic devices that access the County IT network. Much discussion continued. Administration will follow the standard procedure for revising policies and will issue a proposed policy in the future.

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

A. American Rescue Plan Act Funding Request - Port Huron Courthouse Elevator Project

Moved by Jorja Baldwin, supported by Jeff Bohm, to forward to the regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the contract with Great Lakes Elevator to refurbish two elevators at the Port Huron Courthouse in the amount of \$306,900 using American Rescue Plan Act funds. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

B. Port Huron Courthouse Roof Repair

Moved by Dave Vandenbossche, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to award a contract to Lutz Roofing Company for repairs to the Port Huron Courthouse roof in an amount not to exceed \$54,000. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

C. Drain Advisory Commission Reccission

Moved by Jorja Baldwin, supported by Lisa Beedon, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to rescind the Drain Advisory Committee. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

D. Proclamation - Ron Glodich - Years of Service

Moved by Dave Vandenbossche, supported by Jeff Bohm, to move as a Committee of the Whole (for final action) to approve the proclamation recognizing Ron Glodich's years of service. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

8. Other Ways and Means Matters

The rural broadband initiative and federal legislation regarding it was discussed. The vendor chosen by the Federal Government to implement the program was discussed. The process to access additional funding, current status and a potential contract with a consultant was discussed.

Commissioner Baldwin discussed the request during Citizens to Be Heard at the 01/19/23 meeting to perform a wage study was discussed. Wages are an item that are subject to the collective bargaining process.

9. Information Only

Moved by Lisa Beedon, supported by Jorja Baldwin, to receive and file items 9A and 9B as information only. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Ayes: Baldwin, Beedon, Bohm, Rushing, Simasko, Torello, Vandenbossche.

A. 2023 Road Commission & Board of Public Works Officers

B. Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate - Michigan Metal Coatings Company

10. Receive and File Packets

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

11. Adjourn

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 Rushing

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