



MINUTES
St. Clair County Board of Commissioners
Environmental/Public Works Committee

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

March 7, 2024 at 6:00 PM

1. Roll Call/Opening

Commissioner Torello called the meeting to order at 06:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Torello.

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

Absent: Jorja Baldwin

2. Additions/Deletions/Changes to the Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve the agenda as presented. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

3. Citizens to be Heard

Helen Hermes, Clyde - re: the book "Blood Money" written by Peter Schweizer

4. Updates

None

5. Conceptual Initiatives

None

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

A. Resolution 24-03 Placing Proposed Millage for Road Improvement on the Ballot

Discussion was held regarding the use of Road Improvement millage funds.

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Rushing, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to adopt Resolution 24-03 placing the proposed millage for road improvement on the August 2024 ballot.

Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

B. 2024 Survey & Remonumentation Grant Agreement

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the Survey and Remonumentation Grant Agreement in the amount of \$88,468 for a term of 01/01/24 through 12/31/24. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

C. Landfill - Tetra Tech Air Monitoring Agreement - Phase II

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Rushing, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the agreement with Tetra Tech for air monitoring at the Landfill for a term of 90 days in an amount not to exceed \$39,886. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

D. Landfill - Flare Rental Agreement Extension - LFG Technologies

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the extension of the flare rental agreement with LFG Technologies for a term of 02/10/24 through 05/09/24 in the amount of \$15,000. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

E. Landfill Groundwater Monitoring Contract - WSP

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the Landfill Groundwater Monitoring Contract with WSP Michigan Inc. for the Smiths Creek and Thomas Road Landfills for a term of 04/01/24 through 03/31/27 in the amount not to exceed \$116,840. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

F. Landfill - Leachate Pre-Treatment Effluent Pump Rebuild - Easton

Technologies

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the contract with Easton Technologies to rebuild a primary effluent pump for the Leachate Pre-Treatment Facility at the Landfill in the amount of \$13,700. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

G. Landfill - Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) Scrubber System - Interra Global

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the purchase of a Hydrogen Sulfide Scrubbing system from Interra Global in the amount of \$121,800, eliminating the VAV Rails, Ladder Guard and Toe Kick from the proposal. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

H. Resolution 24-05 Placing Proposed Millage for Parks and Recreation on the Ballot

Dennis Delor, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed the proposed supplemental Parks and Recreation Millage. Much discussion continued.

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to adopt Resolution 24-05 Placing Proposal for an additional Parks and Recreation Millage on the ballot. Carried - Voice Vote 5-1. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: Commissioner Rushing

I. Professional Services Agreement - Fishbeck - Site Assessment and Investigation Services - EDA Business Center

Geoff Donaldson, Metropolitan Planning Commission, gave an overview of the grant received and the site assessment activities that will be performed as the scope of this agreement.

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Rushing, to move as a Committee of the Whole (for final action) to approve the Professional Service Agreement with Fishbeck for Site Assessment and Investigation for the EDA Business Center in accordance with the terms and amount not to exceed the EGLE Brownfield Grant without pre-approval from EGLE. Carried - Roll Call Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

8. Smiths Creek Landfill Activities Reports

A. Landfill Activity Reports - November 2023, December 2023 and January 2024

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to receive and file the Smith's Creek Landfill activity reports for November 2023, December 2023 and January 2024. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner

Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche
Nay: None

9. Other Environmental/Public Works Matters

Matt Williams, Landfill Director, discussed the mitigation measures that have been taken at the Landfill to address the hydrogen sulfide issues. He also discussed the results of the water testing that has been recently conducted. He stated CTI performed an analysis of special waste streams that were accepted between January 2020 and March 2021 as a potential source of the hydrogen sulfide. It was determined to most likely be a result of papermill sludge that was received from Domtar. Finally, he gave an overview of upcoming projects and improvements.

10. Information Only

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Bohm, to receive and file items 10A and 10B as information only. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche
Nay: None

- A. 2023 Drain Commissioner's Annual Report
- B. Monthly PARC Financial Documents

11. Receive and File Packets

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to receive and file packets and all information received. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche
Nay: None

12. Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to adjourn at 06:44 PM. Carried - Voice Vote 6-0. Aye: Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Bohm, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche