



MINUTES
St. Clair County Board of Commissioners

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

August 15, 2024 at 4:00 PM

Moment of Silence, Prayer or Personal Reflection

1. Call to Order

Vice Chairperson Baldwin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Vice Chairperson Baldwin.

3. Roll Call

Present: Jorja Baldwin, Lisa Beedon, David Rushing, Steve Simasko, Joi Torello

Absent: Jeff Bohm, Dave Vandebossche

4. Additions/Deletions/Changes to the Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Rushing, to add 14A for Prosecutor Michael Wendling to give an update on his office. Discussion followed. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the agenda as amended. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Comimssioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

6. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve and file the minutes of the 07/25/24 Commission meeting and the 08/01/24 Standing Committee meetings. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing Nay: None

A. 07/25/2024 Commission Meeting

B. 08/01/2024 Standing Committee Meetings

7. Proclamations

A. Medal of Honor PFC Dewayne T. Williams Day

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the proclamation proclaiming September 18th as Medal of Honor PFC Dewayne T. Williams Day. Commissioner Rushing read the proclamation. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing Nay: None

8. Consent Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve items 8A through 8G on the Consent Agenda. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing Nay: None

A. BIS Court Recording Software Renewal

B. 2023 Medical Examiner Annual Report

C. Patagonia Electronic Health Records Software Additions

D. Contract Renewal - Motorola Solutions

E. Prosecuting Attorney ARPA Project Revision Request

F. Summary Budget to Actual Report - July 2024

G. American Rescue Plan Spending Report - July 2024

9. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

Commissioner Rushing - Wales Township Meeting - Oral

Commissioner Simasko - Parks & Recreation - Oral

10. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

Eileen Tesch - 145 Channelsyde, Algonac

RE: Justice for Matthew, Brownfield Development, Election Integrity

Joe Green, 915 Mill St, Algonac

RE: Brownfield Plan

Susan Konkell - 4804 Middle Channel, Harsens Island

RE: Concern of Overburden Water System

Terry Jones - 948 Golfview, Algonac

RE: Brownfield Plan

Cathy Jones - 948 Golfview, Algonac
RE: Brownfield Plan

Linda Stansburty - 945 Golfview, Algonac
RE: Brownfield Plan

Cindy Smith, 927 Golfview, Algonac
RE: Brownfield Plan

Robert Fielitz - 870 Sturdevant, Kimball
RE: Landfill

Julian Ruck - 750 15th St, Port Huron
RE: David Rushing & Comments

Vicki Blackburn - 3437 Stone St, Port Huron
RE: Choices in Government, The Intersection of Faith and Dictatorship

Mary Conlan - 3589 Charles St, Burtchville
RE: Parks & Recreation

Pat Florence - 187 Butterfield, Algonac
RE: Brownfield Plan

11. Unfinished Business

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to remove the tabled Resolution 24-13 Adopting a Brownfield Plan - Corcat Properties - Algonac without action. Discussion followed. Carried - 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing

- A. Resolution 24-13 Adopting a Brownfield Plan - Corcat Properties - Algonac - TABLED

12. New Business

- A. 2023 UHY LLP Audit Presentation

Karen Shafik, from UHY LLP, gave a brief presentation on the 2023 Audit.

- B. Approval of County Disbursements - July 2024

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Torello, to approve County disbursements for the month of July 2024 in the amount of \$12,518,331.77. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing Nay: None

- C. Library Board - Reappointment

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to reappoint Ms. Denise Brooks to the Library Board as District 1 Representative for a five-year term expiring 08/24/2029. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing Nay: None

- D. 2023 Interlocal Agreement between Macomb County and St. Clair County for

the Homeland Security Grant Program

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Beedon, to approve the 2023 Interlocal Agreement with Macomb County for the Homeland Security Program in the amount of \$296,696. Carried - Roll Call Vote 4-1. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: Commissioner Simasko

E. Renewal of Agreement Between St. Clair County and City of St. Clair for Providing Assessing Services

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Rushing, to approve the agreement for Assessing Services with the City of St. Clair for a term of 07/01/24 through 06/30/29 in the amount of \$357,575. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

F. Commissioner Vandebossche District 7 American Rescue Plan Project - China Twp Bike Path Repairs & Pickleball Courts

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to approve the Commissioner District 7 American Rescue Plan Act project for repairs to a bike path and to convert tennis courts to pickleball courts for China Township in the amount of \$92,000. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

G. Commissioner Simasko District 1 American Rescue Plan Act Project - Brockway Township-Township Hall Building Addition

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the Commissioner District 1 American Rescue Plan Act project for Brockway Township in the amount of \$26,520.09 for a building addition to their Township hall. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

H. Westlaw Proflex- Contract agreement

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Torello, to approve the contract with Thomson Reuters for subscription to Westlaw Proflex for a term of 07/01/24 through 06/30/26 in the amount of \$8,728.64. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

I. Commissioner Baldwin District 2 American Rescue Plan Project- Fort Gratiot Twp Engineering Services (Previously approved project)

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the Commissioner District 2 American Rescue Plan Act subrecipient agreement with Fort Gratiot Township in the amount of \$59,300 for engineering services. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

J. Commissioner Simasko District 1 American Rescue Plan Project - City of Yale Playground

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Torello, to approve the Commissioner District 1 American Rescue Plan Act project with the City of Yale in the amount of \$123,053.29 to install a playground in their city park. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

13. Administrator's Report

The Annual Actuary Meeting will take place in the Donald Dodge Auditorium on August 20, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

The feasibility study for Animal Control for a potential relocation to the Day Treatment building has come back. The evaluation shows that it is favorable and feasible and there is plenty of area to go ahead with that conversion. We would like to move forward with the next steps and do an RFP for an architect to begin the design process.

Matt Williams, Manager at Landfill, was present and gave an update on the Landfill.

Moved by commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Rushing, to approve the Administrator's Report. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing

14. Miscellaneous Business

Prosecutor Michael Wendling gave a brief update on his office.

15. Receive and File Packets and all Information Present

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Rushing, to receive and file packets that were sent to Commissioner, packets at their places and any other information presented. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

16. Closed Session

A. Prosecuting Attorney Collective Bargaining Negotiation Strategy

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to move into closed session for the purpose of discussing Prosecuting Attorney Collective Bargaining negotiation strategy and to adjourn immediately thereafter. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing
Nay: None

17. Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to adjourn at 5:58. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Vice Chairperson Baldwin, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing