



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

October 17, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Moment of Silence, Prayer or Personal Reflection

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Rushing called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Commissioner Rushing.

3. Roll Call

Present: Lisa Beedon, David Rushing, Steve Simasko, Joi Torello, Dave Vandenbossche

Absent: Jorja Baldwin, Jeff Bohm

4. Additions/Deletions/Changes to the Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to appoint Dave Rushing as temporary chair. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the agenda as amended. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Naye: None

6. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to approve and file the minutes of the 09/19/24 Commission meeting, the 10/03/24 Workshop and the 10/03/24 Standing Committee meetings. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

- A. 09/19/2024 Commission Meeting
- B. 10/03/2024 Workshop
- C. 10/03/2024 Standing Committee Meetings

7. Proclamations

- A. United Way of St. Clair County, Michigan - 100th Anniversary

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the proclamation honoring the United Way of St. Clair County, Michigan 100th Anniversary. Commissioner Rushing read the proclamation. Brent Gillette, Executive Director of United Way, accepted the proclamation. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

- B. Honoring Trevor Floyd, 2024 GIS Leadership Lifetime Achievement Award

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve the proclamation honoring Trevor Floyd for receiving the 2024 GIS Leadership Lifetime Achievement Award. Commissioner Rushing read the proclamation. Trevor Floyd, accepted the proclamation. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

8. Consent Agenda

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

- A. Summary Budget to Actual Report - September 2024
- B. American Rescue Plan Spending Report - September 2024
- C. St. Clair County Library System - Maintenance Agreement - copiers
- D. St. Clair County Health Department Renovation Project Change Order Log dtd 09/20/2024
- E. St Clair County IT Virtual Desktop Software
- F. Commissioner Simasko District 1 American Rescue Plan Act Project Change Request- SCC Road Commission/Grant Township

9. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

Commissioner Beedon - Commission on Aging - Oral
Health Advisory Board - Oral

10. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

Vicki Blackburn - 3437 Stone St, Port Huron

RE: Infrastructure - Love Builds Bridges

Joe Pavlov - 350 Scott Rd, Kimball

RE: Candidate for 64th House District

Robert Fielitz - 870 Sturdevant Rd, Kimball

RE: Landfill

11. Unfinished Business

None

12. New Business

A. Approval of County Disbursements - September 2024

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve the September 2024 County Disbursements in the amount of \$42,870,349.14. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commisisoner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

B. 2025 Memorandum of Agreement: MSU Extension Services in St. Clair County

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Michigan State University Extension Services for FY 2025 in the amount of \$103,771. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

C. Data Drops for Public Defender New Office Location

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Torello, to approve the installation cost for data drops for the Public Defender's Office in the amount of \$22,120 for Blue Water Building, LLC. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissiner Vandenbossche Nay: None

D. Sheriff Contract for Police Services with City of Algonac

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve the contract for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Algonac and the St. Clair County Sheriff's Office for a term of 10/01/24 through 09/30/27 in the amount of \$2,884,218. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

E. FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant - Initial Work Agreement

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Beedon,

to approve the Initial Work Agreement for the FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

F. Approval of 2024-2025 Child Care Fund Budget

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the 2024 - 2025 Child Care Fund budget in the amount of \$6,829,570.

Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

G. Sheriff's Office Manning Table Revision - FOIA/Service Bureau Coordinator

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the changes to the Sheriff's Road Patrol, Jail and Drug Task Force manning table for the elimination of 2 part-time Service Bureau Agents and add one full-time FOIA/Service Bureau Coordinator. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

H. FY 2025 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant Award

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve the FY 2025 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment grant agreement in the amount of \$248,939. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

I. Landfill - Janitorial Extension

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve Addendum A for the agreement with Janetize It for Landfill cleaning services extending the term of the agreement until 12/31/25 increasing not to exceed amount to \$27,700. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

J. Resolution 2024-22 Authorizing the Submission of a Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program Grant

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to adopt Resolution 24-22 authorizing the submission of Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program grant and allocate required local match funds. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

K. Parks and Recreation - Michigan Department of Transportation - Performance Resolution

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to adopt Resolution 24-24 Performance Resolution to conduct activities in the State of Michigan Department of Transportation Right of Ways for Parks and Recreation.

Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

L. Brownfield Redevelopment Authority - Reappointments

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to reappoint to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Lorrelei Natke, District 1 Representative; John Cooper, District 2 Representative; and Paul Wade, District 5 Representative for a three-year term expiring 10/31/27. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

M. Resolution 24-20 Imposing 2024 December Property Tax Levy

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to adopt Resolution 24-20 imposing the 2024 winter property tax levy. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

N. Zero Trust Solution Purchase for Information Technology

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to approve the Zero Trust security project using American Rescue Plan Act funds in the amount of \$212,560. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

O. Contract Approval Request - 2025 Regional Educational Service Agency - Payroll Services

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the agreement for payroll services with the St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency for FY 2025 in the amount of \$35,600. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

P. Commissioner Beedon District 3 American Rescue Plan Act Project - City of Port Huron Neighborhood Improvement Authority Enhancements

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported by Commissioner Torello, to approve the Commissioner District 3 American Rescue Plan Act project for the City of Port Huron in the amount of \$100,000 for Southside Neighborhood Authority improvements. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

Q. Commissioner Beedon District 3 American Rescue Plan Act Project - City of Port Huron Police Department Radios

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to approve the Commissioner District 3 American Rescue Plan Act project for the City of Port Huron in the amount of \$25,581.85 for the purchase of police department radios. Carried - Roll Call Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

R. St. Clair USEPA Grant Review

Moved by Commissioner Torello, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to

decline the pursuit of the EPA grant as proposed by Kimball Township. Discussion followed. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

S. Resolution 24-21 Apportioning Taxes for 2024

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to adopt Resolution 24-21 Apportioning Taxes for 2024. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

13. Administrator's Report

There are five weekly meetings setup with Tetra Tech to discuss where they are at with the landfill. Pilot testing will be in early November for the carbon ion exchange system, as well as the reverse osmosis system. They will analyze that data and will be doing the full cost benefit analysis, cost to operate, and effectiveness of each solution. Then the board will be provided with a recommendation.

The general fund budget will be presented at the November committee meeting. The public hearing is scheduled for the November full board meeting with the adoption at the November meeting or after, if the board is not ready to adopt it. The special revenue fund budgets will be coming to the board in December.

The administration has been working with the courts on a proposal to reopen two pods for residential juvenile housing. Currently, we send them out of the county, which is very expensive. The proposal will be presented to the board very soon.

We met with Huntington Bank for our quarterly round table meeting. We were informed our account will no longer be managed locally. We are now going to be managed by the branch in Rochester. Our local contacts will no longer be here. Now would probably be a good time to do an RFP to see what is out there, since we have never done an RFP for this service since inception.

The RFP's for the architect for the redesign of the animal control building or animal control move is due next week. Hopefully, we can make a recommendation to the board in November, otherwise it will be in December.

Moved by Commissioner Beedon, supported Vandenbossche, to approve the Administrator's Report. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

14. Miscellaneous Business

Commissioner Simasko spoke briefly about the PFAS/PFOS testing at the landfill. Discussion followed.

15. Receive and File Packets and all Information Present

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to receive and file packets that were sent to Commissioners, packets at their places and any other information presented. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing,

Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

16. Closed Session

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to move into Closed Session for the purpose for Collective Bargaining Strategy discussion and to adjourn immediately thereafter. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None

A. Collective Bargaining Negotiation Strategy Discussion

17. Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. Carried - Voice Vote 5-0. Aye: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche Nay: None