

## MECOSTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 2, 2022

**UNAPPROVED**

Chair William Routley called the morning session of the Mecosta County Board of Commissioners to order at 10:00 A.M. in Conference Room F of the County Services Building with access to the public via Zoom. All those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

Commissioners present on roll call: William Routley, Jerrilynn Strong, Marilynn Bradstrom, Linda Howard, Ray Steinke, Tom O'Neil and Wendy Nystrom.

Others present: Mindy Taylor, Finance Officer and Marcee Purcell, Mecosta County Clerk.

**REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

R. Steinke moved to approve the Agenda as presented. J. Strong seconded; motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

L. Howard moved to approve the May 12, 2022 Committee of the Whole Minutes as presented. M. Bradstrom seconded; motion carried.

M. Bradstrom moved to approve the May 19, 2022 Board Minutes as presented. L. Howard seconded; motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Brian Harrison – AdvisaCare Home Health – appeared before the Board again to touch base regarding challenges families are still facing following an accident because of auto reform legislation that was passed several years ago. Requesting to be on an upcoming Agenda for further discussion and possibly entertain the Boards adoption of a resolution asking the State to act.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**6.1 PER DIEMS FOR VOLUNTEER TRANSPORTATION DRIVERS – COA REQUEST**  
J. Strong moved to approve Cynthia Mallory's request to provide a per diem to volunteer transportation drivers of \$5 in-county and \$10 out-of-county. R. Steinke seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

## **SCHEDULED APPEARANCE:**

None

## **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

### **Tablets for COA Seniors – Finance Officer**

R. Steinke moved to approve a request to purchase 16 tablets with 1-year of internet service, plus 4 additional tablets, for seniors use without internet, for a total cost of \$9,274.88. J. Strong seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

### **Financial Reports – Finance Officer**

R. Steinke moved to accept and place on file the February Financial Reports. M. Bradstrom seconded; motion carried.

## **Listed Bills:**

R. Steinke moved to pay the pre-approved vouchers in the amount of \$655,191.90 and approve and pay non-approved vouchers in the amount of \$44,504.19. M. Bradstrom seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

## **Other Business:**

### **ARPA/Cannabis Funding**

R. Steinke moved that the Board Chair be authorized to sign letters seeking established partners in the community to implement potential projects that were discussed in 2 recent Committee of the Whole meetings with regard to ARPA/Cannabis funding. M. Bradstrom seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

J. Strong feels the Board should reconsider the money that has been earmarked toward the Parks. L. Howard thinks we should have further discussion on the Parks' item but should also move forward with the above letters.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

L. Howard reported attending DHHS Meeting, Central Michigan Community Mental Health Meeting, Sheriff & Jail Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

W. Nystrom reported attending today's Commission Meeting.

M. Bradstrom reported attending Finance Committee, Michigan Works Meeting, Personnel Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

## **Personnel Committee:**

M. Bradstrom moved to approve a request from the County Clerk, reducing her Secretary position to a .5 FTE (Regular Part Time), working five 7.5 hour-days per pay period. R. Steinke seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

J. Strong reported attending Sheriff & Jail Committee, Finance Committee, Chippewa Township Meeting and today's Commission Meeting.

T. O'Neil reported attending District 10 Health Meeting, Personnel Committee, Sheriff & Jail Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

R. Steinke reported attending District 10 Health Meeting, Personnel Committee, Finance Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

W. Routley reported attending Proposal Review Committee/Area Agency on Aging, Finance Committee, Area Agency/Executive Director Meeting and today's Commission Meeting.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Mindy Taylor reported on the following:

- Will be bringing a proposed resolution to the next meeting that the Treasurer has asked to consider adopting re: Zillow bills; asking at MAC level that we adopt these resolutions
- State Court sent an email stating Juneteenth is going to be a holiday for State Court employees (6/20/22). This may cause an issue because Judges are State employees, but their employees are County non-union employees. Judge will be sending an email out to State Court for clarification – may need to have further action with this.

**PUBLIC MATTERS & COMMENTS:**

None

**MISCELLANEOUS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS, MINUTES & REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS:**

M. Bradstrom moved to accept and place on file Communications #1-10 and Minutes & Reports #1- 3 and Resolution #1. W. Nystrom seconded; motion carried.

The Board took a recess at 10:35 a.m. to look at Marine Patrol boats with Lieutenant Danielson and returned at 10:47 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

R. Steinke moved to adjourn to the next regular scheduled meeting or call of the Chair at 10:48 A.M.

  
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Marcee M. Purcell, Mecosta County Clerk and  
Clerk for the Board of Commissioners

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William Routley, Chair  
Mecosta County Board of Commissioners

