

UNAPPROVED**MECOSTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS****JUNE 1, 2023**

Chair Jerrilynn Strong 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: Jerrilynn Strong, Randy Vetter, Linda Howard, Ray Steinke, Tom O'Neil, Chris Jane and William Routley.

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

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

L. Howard moved to approve the May 18, 2023 Board Minutes as presented. C. Jane seconded; motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deb Magnuson – appeared before the Board; sent a video from Rep. McClain and a letter from Sen. Nesbitt to Board members; hopes they took the time to review.

Debbie Dygert – appeared before the Board re: Gotion. Things are being reported inaccurately in the news media; thinks its unfair to the community; affects the whole state; people being denied proper information.

Kimberly Herring – Barton Township – appeared before the Board; seconded what both Debs stated in their comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:**6.1 MMRMA 2023/24 RENEWAL**

R. Steinke moved to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the MMRMA 2023/24 Renewal for Property and Liability Coverage for Mecosta County. W. Routley seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

SCHEDULED APPEARANCE:

None

FINANCIAL MATTERS:**Co-Employment Proposal/Dist. Court – Judge Jaklevic**

R. Steinke moved that the Administrator work with the court on a proposal to address the concerns of tethers and potentially share an employee in a limited manner. W. Routley seconded; motion carried.

Jail Renovation Furniture – Jail Administrator

R. Steinke moved to approve a request from the Jail Administrator for transportation of 10 double bunk beds from Branch County Jail at a cost of \$3,000 and a proposal for 2 – 6-person tables and 2 – 4-person tables at a cost of \$12,387.80 for the new Jail area. L. Howard seconded; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

Workers Comp Premium Refund – Administrator

R. Steinke moved to approve a Workers Compensation premium refund in the amount of \$13,288.07 and deposited into the following funds: General Fund 101 \$4,641.07, Fund 210 EMS \$6,709, Fund 249 Building Dept \$120, and Fund 508 Parks Commission \$1,818. C. Jane seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

Financial Reports – Treasurer

R. Steinke moved that the February Financial Reports be accepted and placed on file. R. Vetter seconded; motion carried.

Listed Bills:

R. Steinke moved to pay the pre-approved vouchers in the amount of \$547,393.31 and approve and pay non-approved vouchers in the amount of \$68,499.00. W. Routley seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

Other Business:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

C. Jane reported attending Drain Tour, Health & Human Services Meeting and today's Commission Meeting.

L. Howard reported attending Wheatland Township Meeting, Village of Mecosta Meeting, DHHS Meeting, Community Conversation on Substance Abuse/Ferris, Drain Tour and today's Commission Meeting.

T. O'Neil reported attending District 10 Health Meeting, Drain Tour, Finance Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

W. Routley reported attending Finance Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

R. Vetter reported attending today's Commission Meeting.

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

J. Strong reported attending Drain Tour, Mid-Michigan Community Action Meeting, Finance Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Paul Bullock reported on the following:

- Attended Michigan Association of County Administrator's Conference; thanked the Board for the opportunity to go.
- David Oostdyk, FOC – requested to fill the Office Manager vacancy at 1-year step. W. Routley so moved. R. Steinke seconded; roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

PUBLIC MATTERS & COMMENTS:

Deb Magnuson – appeared before the Board again; wondering where to find the information the Board is referencing during the meeting so public can follow along better.

MISCELLANEOUS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS, MINUTES & REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS:

C. Jane moved to accept and place on file Communications #1-3, Minutes & Reports #1-3 and Resolutions 1-2. W. Routley seconded; motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

J. Strong adjourned to the next regular scheduled meeting or call of the Chair at 10:35 A.M.



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

Jerrilynn Strong, Chair
Mecosta County Board of Commissioners