

## MECOSTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MAY 5, 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, Marilyn Bradstrom, Linda Howard, Ray Steinke, Tom O'Neil and Wendy Nystrom; Jerrilynn Strong present via Zoom.

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. M. Bradstrom seconded; motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

M. Bradstrom moved to approve the April 21, 2022 Board Minutes as presented. L. Howard seconded; motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Theresa Z. Ventocilla – candidate for Board of Commissioners, District 6 – appeared before the Board and introduced herself.

Paul Bullock introduced the new Mecosta County Development Corporation Director, Kelly Wawsczyk, who is working out of the Michigan Works building.

Judge Hill-Kennedy appeared before the Board to express his gratitude for a wonderful experience working with the Board and predecessors as well. The Courts have enjoyed a good relationship with the Commission and he's been impressed with the collegiality and efforts to always do the right things in Mecosta County. Has had the pleasure of working with the Board for 17 years; it has been a great experience; grateful we do business the way it's done.

**NEW BUSINESS:****6.1 MECOSTA COUNTY RESOLUTION #2022-08 – 2022 MILLAGE RATES FOR GENERAL FUND**

R. Steinke moved to adopt and place on file Mecosta County Resolution #2022-08 – 2022 Millage Rates for General Fund Budget. M. Bradstrom seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

## **6.2 AAWM WAIVER PURCHASE OF SERVICE AMENDMENT - COA**

M. Bradstrom moved to approve the Care Management/Waiver Programs Purchase of Services Agreement Amendment between Area Agency on Aging and Mecosta County Commission on Aging. L. Howard seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

### **SCHEDULED APPEARANCE:**

None

### **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

#### **Juvenile Court/RDSS Program Request – Judge Thompson**

R. Steinke moved to approve a request from Judge Thompson for a \$3/visit stipend to supplement the \$12/hour paid by the DHHS/RDSS program to In-Home Detention Service workers, effective May 9<sup>th</sup>. M Bradstrom seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

#### **Sobriety Court Request – District Court**

R. Steinke moved to approve a request from the District Court to increase the Treatment Court's Field Service Worker hourly rate from \$10/hour to \$15/hour, and to fill the current vacancy. M. Bradstrom seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

#### **District Court Request/Disposal of Obsolete Equipment – District Court**

R. Steinke moved to approve a request from the District Court to transfer 4 obsolete printers to Osceola County and sell the paper that goes with it for \$50/box. L. Howard seconded; motion carried.

#### **Listed Bills:**

R. Steinke moved to pay the pre-approved vouchers in the amount of \$2,837,535.90 and approve and pay non-approved vouchers in the amount of \$80,270.16. M. Bradstrom seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

L. Howard reported attending Building & Grounds Committee, Sheriff & Jail Committee, WCMCA Meeting, Committee of the Whole and today's Commission Meeting.

#### **Building & Grounds:**

L. Howard moved that discussion on the COA Parking Lot options be brought to the Committee of the Whole on May 12<sup>th</sup>, with a recommendation that up to \$150,000 be allocated to a full rebuild in 2 sections. W. Nystrom seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

L. Howard moved to approve a request from COA to pour a cement pad, where they place the tents for the yard sale, with funding from the Senior Center group under the supervision of Mr. Cassidy. M. Bradstrom seconded; motion carried.

L. Howard moved that Mr. Cassidy solicit proposals for the Services Building asphalt patch work needed, and that the Administrator take the proposals to the Finance Committee upon receipt for possible action. M. Bradstrom seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

L. Howard moved that Mr. Cassidy solicit proposals for the Jail HVAC/Back Control work needed, and that the Administrator take the proposals to the Finance Committee upon receipt for possible action. W. Nystrom seconded; motion carried.

W. Nystrom reported attending WCMCA Meeting, MOTA Retirement Lunch for Mike Tillman, Committee of the Whole Meeting and today's Commission Meeting.

M. Bradstrom reported attending WCMCA Meeting; Dragon Executive Meeting, Committee of the Whole Meeting, Building & Grounds Committee, Finance Committee, Meet and Greet for Mecosta County Development Corporation New Director, Colfax Township Meeting, Green Township Meeting, Finance Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

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

#### **Sheriff & Jail:**

T. O'Neil moved to approve a donation of \$1,000 from Walmart for the Victim Services Unit. R. Steinke seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

T. O'Neil moved to approve a grant of \$1,200 from Mecosta County Foundation for the Mecosta County Youth Academy. R. Steinke seconded; roll call vote: 6 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

T. O'Neil moved to approve a request to post and fill a pending Sgt./Road Patrol vacancy effective June 1<sup>st</sup>. R. Steinke seconded; motion carried.

T. O'Neil moved to approve a request to accept the \$12,700 Marine Patrol Grant for 2022. R. Steinke seconded; motion carried.

T. O'Neil moved to approve a request to post and fill the Sgt./Jail vacancy created with the transfer of Sgt. Whaley to the Treatment Court. R. Steinke seconded; motion carried.

R. Steinke reported attending WCMCA Meeting, MOTA Meeting, District 10 Health Meeting, Committee of the Whole Meeting, Finance Committee and today's Commission Meeting.

W. Routley reported attending AAAWM Meeting, COA/Volunteer Dinner, Committee of the Whole Meeting, Building & Grounds Committee, Finance Committee, Sheriff & Jail Committee, Planning and Zoning site visits and today's Commission Meeting.

#### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Paul Bullock reported on the following:

- Shawn Sredersas, Meals Coordinator, has been employed over 40 years at COA; she is retiring effective 5/20. Requesting permission to advertise, interview and fill the vacancy. R. Steinke so moved. M. Bradstrom seconded; motion carried.

- MDOT informed COA they are eligible for Federal Funding, which can be used for fuel, volunteers, etc.; requesting authorization to accept the funds and acquire signatures if needed before next Commission meeting. M. Bradstrom so moved. L. Howard seconded; motion carried.

**PUBLIC MATTERS & COMMENTS:**

None

**MISCELLANEOUS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

None

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

M. Bradstrom moved to accept and place on file Communications #1-9 and Minutes & Reports #1- 3. W. Nystrom seconded; motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

R. Steinke moved to adjourn to the next regular scheduled meeting or call of the Chair at 10:35 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