

Barry County Board of Commissioners
March 26, 2018; 9:00 a.m.; Commission Chambers
MINUTES

1. Chair Geiger called the regular session of the Barry County Board of Commissioners to Order at 9:00 a.m. in the Barry County Commission Chambers.
2. Moment of Silence/Invocation by Commissioner Parker.
3. Those present stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
4. Roll Call was taken. The following members were present: Vivian Conner, Ben Geiger, Howard Gibson, David Jackson, Dan Parker, and Jon Smelker. Absent: Heather Wing. Also present: Clerk Pam Palmer.
5. Approval of Written Agenda (including consent items & items for discussion)

Commissioner Conner asked to have item (b) under the Consent Items removed and added to the Items for Consideration. The agenda was approved as amended.
6. REPORTS FROM STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS: None.
7. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per person)
 - Sharon Zebrowski talked about Charlton Park, as well as an extensive collection of artifacts that was gifted to the County for the public to enjoy. She indicated that the number one priority of the Charlton Park Board is the care and preservation of this collection.
8. VARIOUS CORRESPONDENCE: Commissioner Geiger stated that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners voted on March 21, 2018 to repeal TOST.
9. CONSENT ITEMS (voted upon at one time by roll call vote):
 - a. Approval of March 13, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting minutes.
 - b. *(Item (b) was removed to Items For Consideration.*
 - c. Approval to re-appoint Craig Stolsonburg to serve in the position of Citizen at Large, and David Jackson to serve in the position of County Commissioner, on the Barry County Tax Allocation Board for one (1) year terms that begin on 4-1-18 and expire on 3-31-19.
 - d. Approval to re-appoint Bob Becker, Deborah Hyatt, Linda Maupin and Gerald Pattok to serve on the Barry County Community Mental Health Authority Board for three (3) year terms that begin on 4-1-18 and expire on 3-31-21.
 - e. Approval to appoint Frank Jesensek to serve in a Citizen at Large position on the Parks and Recreation Board for the remainder of a three-year term that began on 1/1/16 and expires on 12/31/18.
 - f. Approval to appoint Joyce Snow to serve on the Barry County Planning Commission for a three (3) year term beginning on 5/1/18 and expiring on 4/30/21.

- g. Approval of the Michigan Department of Agriculture Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program application (more commonly known as PA 116) 17-15 for Jeffrey and Stacey Morton in Section 2 of Hastings Township.
- h. Approval of the Michigan Department of Agriculture Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program application (more commonly known as PA 116) 18-1 through 18-5 for Robin Flessner in Sections 15 and 16 of Woodland Township.
- i. Approval to enter into a services agreement with MEI Telecommunications, Inc., Delton, MI to provide broadband internet and telecom services for a three-year term and to authorize the County Administrator to sign the agreement.
- j. Approval to spend \$19,207.00 to purchase a 2018 Ford Escape through the MiDeal Program with funds to be paid from the Vehicle Fund.
(roll call vote)

Moved by Conner, seconded by Gibson to approve the above listed consent items. Roll call vote. Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker, and Smelker. Absent: Wing. Nays: None. Motion carried.

10. PRESENTATIONS: Jim Dull, Drain Commissioner – Annual Report

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

12. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION (roll call vote indicated)

- a. Approval of transfers and disbursements:
- b. Approval of claims in the amount of \$73,450.01 **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Smelker to approve the claims in the amount of \$73,450.01. Roll call vote: Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker, and Smelker. Absent: Wing. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- c. Approval to authorize the Drain Commissioner to purchase a new Case tracked loader for \$29,558.05, with \$15,000 to be paid from the Drain Fund, and to authorize the sale of a 2012 John Deere 625i gator, serial #spend over \$5,000 on a tracked Case loader, with funds to be paid from the Drain Fund, and to authorize the sale of a 2012 John Deere 625i gator, serial #1M0625GSKCM043129, pending: 1) an updated proposal with new vs used 2) summary of costs and accounts 3) rough draft of a capital purchase/replacement plan. **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Smelker for approval to authorize the Drain Commissioner to spend over \$5,000 on a tracked Case loader, with funds to be paid from the Drain Fund, and to authorize the sale of a 2012 John Deere 625i gator, serial #1M0625GSKCM043129, with proceeds to be applied to the purchase, and with remaining funds to be paid from the Capital Replacement Fund. Discussion. Roll call vote: Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker, and Smelker. Absent: Wing. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- d. Adoption of Resolution #18-06, a resolution to Establish the Barry County Stepping Up Task Force, and approval to appoint Jon Smelker as the County Commissioner representative on the Stepping Up Task Force. **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Jackson for adoption of Resolution #18-06, a resolution to Establish the Barry County Stepping Up Task Force, and approval to appoint Jon Smelker as the County Commissioner representative on the Stepping Up Task Force. Roll call vote: Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker, and Smelker. Absent: Wing. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- e. Approval of the Amended and Restated Hastings City / Barry County Airport Contract for Airport Management Service between the Hastings City / Barry County Airport Commission and Mark Noteboom for the period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020.as recommended by the Hastings City/Barry County Airport Commission. **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Conner, for approval of the Amended and Restated Hastings City / Barry County Airport Contract for Airport Management Service between the Hastings City / Barry County Airport Commissioner and Mark Noteboom for the period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020 as recommended by the Hastings City / Barry County Airport Commission. Discussion.

Motion by Conner, seconded by Parker to table this motion to the April 10, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

- f. Approval to re-appoint Pam Strode to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3) year term that begins on 4-1-18 and expires on 3-31-21. **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Smelker to re-appoint pam Strode to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3) year term that begins on 4-1-18 and expires on 3-31-21. Discussion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker and Smelker. Nays: Conner. Absent: Wing. Motion carried.

- (b) Approval of March 20, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes. Discussion.

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Smelker to approve the March 20, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes, as corrected. Roll call vote. Ayes: Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker and Smelker. Absent: Wing. Motion carried.

- 13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.
- 14. NEW BUSINESS: None.
- 15. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: None.
- 16. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: Commissioner Geiger welcomed Commissioner Jackson back.
- 17. VICE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: Commissioner Jackson commented on his early "Spring Break" spent at Borgess Hospital, and thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers.
- 18. COMMISSIONER REPORTS: (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA) – Each commissioner reported on their various committees, board, events and meetings.
- 19. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: (3 MINUTES PER PERSON) – None.
- 20. OTHER BUSINESS: None.

21. ADJOURNMENT: at 10:01 a.m.

Ben Geiger, Chair
Barry County Board of Commissioners

Pamela A. Palmer, County Clerk

Approved by: _____
Date & Initial

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