

Barry County Board of Commissioners
August 14, 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, Dan Parker, Jon Smelker and Heather Wing. Absent: David Jackson. Also present: Clerk Pam Palmer.
5. Approval of Written Agenda (including consent items & items for discussion)

Commissioner Geiger added Sheriff Leaf to the agenda under presentations. The agenda was approved without objection, as amended.

6. REPORTS FROM STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS: None.
7. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: (3 minutes per person)
 - Deb Englehardt asked several questions of the commissioners regarding Upper Crooked Lake.
 - Joyce Snow congratulated the winners of the August primary and thanked her supporters.
 - Jack Miner commented that 64% of the Barry-Eaton District Health Department budget was hidden, while they were given a 9.6% wage increase.

8. VARIOUS CORRESPONDENCE: None.

Commissioner Geiger asked to remove item (g) from the Consent Items to Items for Consideration.

9. CONSENT ITEMS: (voted upon at one time by roll call vote):
 - a. Approval of July 24, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting minutes.
 - b. Approval of August 7, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes.
 - c. Approval of the Michigan Department of Agriculture Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program applications (more commonly known as PA 116) 18-07, 18-08, 18-09, and 18-10 for Buehler Brothers Beef LLC in Sections 5, 9, and 11 of Carlton Township.
 - d. Approval of the attached grant acceptance agreement in the amount of \$6,000 with the Bissell Pet Foundation to continue the TNR program with the addition of monies that can be used for personally owned cats at the discretion of the Director.

- e. Approval to award the Carpet Replacement Bid to Lansing Tile and Mosaic, Inc. at a price of \$17,700.
- f. Approval to sign a contract with Volunteer Energy to purchase natural gas at 3% below Consumers Energy pricing for the following buildings: Historic Courthouse, Courts and Law, Friend of the Court, Tyden Center, Health Department, Animal Shelter, and Jail.
- g. (Approval to sell attached listing of surplus vehicles via highest sealed bid.) *Removed to items for consideration.*
- h. Approval of the attached Consent to Grade and Good Faith Written Offer from the Michigan Department of Transportation regarding a segment of the unpaved, non-motorized Paul Henry Thornapple Trail located on the west side of M-66 in Nashville.
(roll call vote)

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

- 10. PRESENTATIONS: 2017 Annual Report for Sheriff's Department presented by Sheriff Dar Leaf.
- 11. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None
- 12. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION: (roll call vote indicated)
 - a. Approval of transfers and disbursements:
Approval of pre-paid invoices in the amount of \$4,093,503.35
 - b. Approval of Claims in the amount of \$95,329.61
 - c. Approval of Commissioner Reimbursements (mileage) in the amount of \$533.28 (roll call vote)

Moved by Wing, seconded by Gibson to approve pre-paid invoices in the amount of \$4,093.503.35, claims in the amount of \$95,329.61, and Commissioner Reimbursements (mileage) in the amount of \$533.28. Roll call vote. Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Parker, Smelker and Wing. Nays: None. Absent: Jackson. Motion carried.

- d. Adoption of Resolution 18-12, a Resolution Adopting a Multiple Year Deficit Elimination Plan for the Drain Maintenance Fund (#804) and to file it with the Michigan Department of Treasury. **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Wing, seconded by Gibson to approve the adoption of Resolution 18-12, a Resolution Adopting a Multiple Year Deficit Elimination Plan for the Drain Maintenance Fund (#804) and to file it with the Michigan Department of Treasury. Roll call vote. Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Parker, Smelker and Wing. Nays: None. Absent: Jackson. Motion carried.

(g) Approval to sell attached listing of surplus vehicles via highest sealed bid. Motion by Wing, seconded by Smelker. Discussion. Motion by Parker, seconded by Smelker to remove the Tahoe from the attached listing of surplus vehicles. All ayes. Motion carried.

The question now before the board is to sell the amended attached listing of surplus vehicles by highest sealed bid. Roll call vote. Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Parker, Smelker and Wing. Nays: None. Absent: Jackson. Motion carried.

- 13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

14. NEW BUSINESS: None.
15. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: None.
16. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: None.
17. VICE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: None.
18. COMMISSIONER REPORTS: (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA) - Each commissioner reported on their various committees, boards, events and meetings.
19. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: (3 MINUTES PER PERSON) – Dar Leaf commented on observing school bus signals & crossing guards with school starting soon.
20. OTHER BUSINESS: Michael Brown indicated that the appraisal for the jail was included in the commissioners' email, but they could also obtain a hard copy from his office. John Meyer is scheduled to attend the next Committee of the Whole meeting on August 22, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to present his findings on the jail appraisal.
21. ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Wing, seconded Conner to adjourn at 9:55 a.m. Motion carried.

Ben Geiger, Chair
Barry County Board of Commissioners

Pamela A. Palmer, County Clerk

Approved: 8/28/2018 PPalmer
Date & Initials