

Barry County Board of Commissioners
September 27, 2017; 9:00 a.m.; Commission Chambers
MINUTES
(Corrected)

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 Geiger.
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, Jon Smelker and Heather Wing. Also present: Clerk Pam Palmer.
5. APPROVAL OF WRITTEN AGENDA: (including consent items & items for discussion)

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Jackson to approve the written agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.
6. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per person):
 - Dar Leaf thanked the board for offering a moment of silence in remembrance of State Police Trooper Tim O'Neil from Rockford who was killed in the line of duty last week and commented on the incident.
 - Jim Dull invited the commissioners to have their picture taken with the new excavator in the parking lot. He also indicated that the DEQ permits have been approved for the Gun Lake Dam.
 - Sharon Zebrowski continued listing the duties of the Charlton Park Director.
 - Bob Price commented on TOST and indicated that the primary beneficiaries of TOST are the Barry-Eaton Health Department, employees and private contractors. He further indicated that the public clearly indicated at the public hearing that all were in favor of safe drinking water, but it is time for some changes.
7. VARIOUS CORRESPONDENCE: None.
8. CONSENT ITEMS (voted upon at one time by roll call vote):
 - a. Approval of September 12, 2017 Board of Commissioners meeting minutes.
 - b. Approval of September 19, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes.
 - c. Approval of September 19, 2017 Committee of the Whole Budget Appeals/Workshop meeting minutes.

- d. Approval to appoint Kristen R. Cove to serve on the Central Dispatch Board in a Citizen at Large position for the remainder of a four-year term that began on 1-1-15 and expires on 12-31-18.
- e. Approval to appoint Anthony G. Crosariol to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals for the remainder of a three (3) year term that began on 4-1-16 and expires on 3-31-19.
- f. Approval to award recreation grants totaling \$5000: City of Hastings, \$1,000; Orangeville Township, \$1,000; Village of Middleville, \$1,000; Yankee Springs Township, \$1,000; Prairieville Township, \$500, and Thornapple Kellogg School District, \$500.
- g. Approval of Budget Amendment B-17. **(roll call vote)**

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

- 9. PRESENTATIONS: Sheriff Dar Leaf – Barry County Sheriff’s Office Annual Statistics Report
- 10. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None
- 11. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION (roll call vote indicated)
 - a. Approval of transfers and disbursements:
 - Approval of claims in the amount of \$44,435.97 **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Conner, seconded by Smelker to approve claims in the amount of \$44,435.97. Roll call vote. Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker, Smelker & Wing. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- b. Approval of Resolution #17-17, a Resolution in Support of the Southcentral Michigan Planning Council as the District Organization for the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration Economic Development District for Michigan State Planning and Development Region 3. **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Conner, seconded by Smelker for the approval of Resolution #17-17, a resolution in Support of the Southcentral Michigan Planning Council as the District Organization for the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration Economic Development District for Michigan State Planning and Development Region 3. Roll call vote. Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker, Smelker & Wing. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- c. Approval to schedule a public hearing during the regular meeting of the Barry County Board of Commissioners on October 24, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. regarding the 2018 Barry County Proposed Budget, and to recommend approval of Resolution#17-18 to adopt the 2018 Barry County Budget, General Appropriations Act and Millage after holding a public hearing. **(roll call vote)**

Moved by Conner, seconded by Parker for approval to schedule a public hearing during the regular meeting of the Barry County Board of Commissioners on October 24, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. regarding the 2018 Barry County Proposed Budget, and to recommend approval of Resolution #17-18 to adopt the 2018 Barry County Budget, General Appropriations Act and Millage after holding a public hearing. Roll call vote. Ayes: Conner, Geiger, Gibson, Jackson, Parker, Smelker & Wing. Nays: None. Motion carried.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

13. NEW BUSINESS: None.

14. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: None.

15. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: None.

16. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: Commissioners Geiger, Conner, Wing & Gibson all attended the MAC Conference on Mackinac Island where they attended several breakout sessions. Commissioner Geiger will be attending the Barry County Career Access Network this week, as well as the Barry-Eaton District Health Department Board meeting.

17. VICE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: Commissioner Jackson reported attending the Economic Development Board meeting & Rutland Township meeting on September 13. The Brownfield kickoff meeting was held in Middleville on September 20 with the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, which will bring some positive impact to buildings. September 22, 23 & 24 he attended the MERS Conference in Detroit where they discussed pension & healthcare issues.

Michael Brown reported that Barry County is currently 94-96% funded, for OPEB (other Post Employment Benefits).

18. COMMISSIONER REPORTS (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA): Each commissioner reported on their various township boards, meetings, and committees.

19. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES PER PERSON):

- Sharon Zebrowski clarified that the estimates for the roofs at Charlton Park were not an educated guess. She further commented on the Parks and Recreation Board being combined with the Charlton Park Board.

20. OTHER BUSINESS: Commissioner Smelker announced that the 911 Director, Phyllis Fuller, was named Director of the Year in the State of Michigan.

Commissioner Jackson announced that next week Tami Dickinson and Ken Kirsch will attend the commissioner meeting so that everyone can meet Ken Kirsch, who starts as Animal Shelter Director on Monday, October, 2, 2017. Also, the Animal Shelter just received a \$10,000 grant for the TNR program.

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

Ben Geiger, Chair
Barry County Board of Commissioners

Pamela A. Palmer, County Clerk

Approved: PPalmer 10/24/2017
Initial & Date