

Barry County Board of Commissioners - Committee of the Whole  
September 4, 2018; 9:00 a.m.; Commission Chambers  
**MINUTES**

Members Present: Commissioners Vivian Conner, Ben Geiger, Howard Gibson, David Jackson, Dan Parker, Jon Smelker, and Heather Wing. Clerk Pam Palmer was also present.

Others present: Michael Brown, Luella Dennison, Jean Gallup, Rebecca Pierce, Dep. Tim Allen, Jack Miner, Rick Moore, Sharon Zebrowski, Joyce Snow, David Shinavier, Ben Eastman, Matt Houchlei, Tim VanderMark, Mark Bonsignore, Dave Tossava, Jim Brown, Cathy Young Gramze, Ron King, John Meyer, Larry Bass, Bob Shaffer, Dave Hatfield, Pete Nevins, Matt Houchlei, Dar Leaf, Dan King, Deb & Gary Englehardt, Bill Voigt, and Bob Vanderboegh.

Chair Geiger called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Those present stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Jim Brown commented on best building procedures used when building the new Hastings Library.
- Bob Shaffer talked about the history of the Barry-Eaton District Health Department.
- Deb Englehardt encouraged the commissioners to look for solutions for Upper Crooked Lake water levels before winter arrives.

**Discussion Regarding 1212 W. State Street Appraisal and Transit Building Addition and Renovation**

John Meyer presented how he arrived at the appraisals for the Barry County Transit and the Barry County Jail.

**TIM VANDERMARK – L-4029 Report for Winter Taxes**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Parker to recommend to the Board of Commissioners approval of the attached 2018 L-4029 form for Barry County to collect winter taxes and authorize the Chairperson to sign it. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Lt. Pete Nevins – Request to Replace Jail Kitchen Equipment**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Conner, to recommend to the Board of Commissioners approval to purchase a new Hobart Dishwasher and a new Vulcan Convection Oven per the attached quote from HPS to replace failing equipment in the jail kitchen at a total cost of \$23,743.30 with funds to be paid from the Building Rehabilitation Fund. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Matt Houchlei – Request to Transfer Vehicle Title from U.S. Government LESO Program**

Moved by Gibson, seconded by Parker to recommend to the Board of Commissioners authorization to transfer the title for a 1989 AM General Model M1038 Trust utility vehicle, VIN 050612, from the United States Government Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) program into the name of the Barry Sheriff's Office through the Michigan Secretary of State Title transfer process. All ayes. Motion carried.

Michael Brown – Budget Amendment for Hastings City/Barry County Airport

Moved by Conner, seconded by Smelker to recommend to the Board of Commissioners approval of the attached Amendment to the Hastings City/Barry County Airport Fund (#295) 2018 budget as requested by the airport Commission. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Jim Brown encouraged the commissioners to look at the jail building project from a perspective of 50 years and 10,000 feet and to do what is best for Barry County.
- Bob Shaffer offered to help with any changes with regard to the Barry-Eaton District Health Department.
- Sharon Zebrowski announced that this Saturday is the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Day at Charlton Park.
- Dar Leaf warned that there is a \$230 fine for driving through a crosswalk area while the crossing guard is assisting children crossing the street, and also a fine for not obeying school buses that have their yellow or red overhead lights activated.

Adjournment: at 10:01 a.m.

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Ben Geiger, Chair  
Barry County Commissioners

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Pamela A. Palmer, Barry County Clerk

Approved: 9-11-2018 PPalmer  
Date & Initials