MINUTES
Board of Commissioners Chambers
219 East Paw Paw Street

Commissioners
Gail Patterson-Gladney, District 1
Mike Chappell, District 2
Kurt Doroh, District 3
Richard Godfrey, District 4
Randall Peat, District 5
Tina Leary, District 6
Paul Schincariol, District 7

January 10, 2023

Committee of the Whole Meeting

1. Call to Order
   The Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 01:12 PM by Randall Peat, Chairman of the Board. Present: Patterson-Gladney, Doroh, Godfrey, Chappell, Peat, Leary and Schincariol.
2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
   Delete Item 8.C. FOC Move and Add Item 9.F. Evergreen Park Property Sale
3. Approval of Agenda
   Motion to approve the agenda as amended.
   Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried
4. Approval of Minutes

   A. December 27, 2022 Committee of the Whole Minutes
   Motion to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.
   Motion by Kurt Doroh, Second by Mike Chappell, Carried
5. Public Comment

   - Deb Hammond - Reported earnings

6. Presentation

   A. DCS Broadband Update
   Chris Scharrer provided an update on the Broadband Project.

   Motion to allocate 3.5 million dollars of the ARPA funds for the Van Buren County Broadband Project as administered by DCS Technology Design, LLC.
   Motion by Paul Schincariol, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried
   Roll Call Vote

Yes:	Mike Chappell, Kurt Doroh, Randall Peat, Tina Leary, Paul Schincariol
No:	Gail Patterson-Gladney
Abstain:	Richard Godfrey

   Motion to continue the contract with Chris Scharrer, DCS Technology Design, LLC, at a rate of $18,000 per month, plus travel expenses if requested, on a month to month

basis.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

7. Administrative Affairs

A. Appointment of Emilly Hickmott to the Parks Commission

There is a vacancy on the Parks Commission and Emilly Hickmott is being recommended for the position.

Motion to approve by resolution at today's meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the appointment of Emilly Hickmott to the Parks Commission for the three-year term expiring on December 31, 2025.
Motion by Kurt Doroh, Second by Mike Chappell, Carried

B. Re-Appointment to Building Authority - Wayne Nelson

Administrator Post presented the request to reappoint Wayne Nelson to the Building Authority.

Motion to approve by resolution at today's meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the reappointment of Wayne Nelson to the Building Authority for the three-year term expiring on December 31, 2025.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

8. Buildings and Grounds

A. Renaming the Board of Commissioners Room to the Donald Hanson Room

Upon the retirement of Donald Hanson as a County Commissioner, it is being recommended to rename the Board of Commissioners Room to the Donald Hanson Board of Commissioners Room.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the renaming of the Board of Commissioners Room to the Donald Hanson Board of Commissioners Room.
Motion by Tina Leary, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

B. Buildings & Grounds Update

Director John Small presented the Building & Grounds update.

C. FOC Move Projected Costs

This item was removed from the agenda.

D. VanDam & Krusinga Payment Directive and Work Contract Agreement

The Board previously voted to have VanDam & Krusinga work directly with MML on the County Museum Storm Damage Repair Project. The payment directive and work contract agreement are being presented for approval.

Motion to approve by resolution at today's meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the payment directive to MML to pay VanDam & Krusinga directly for the insurance claim.
Motion by Richard Godfrey, Second by Paul Schincariol, Carried

Motion to approve by resolution at today's meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the work contract agreement with VanDam & Krusinga for the County Museum Storm Damange Repair Project.
Motion by Richard Godfrey, Second by Paul Schincariol, Carried

E. 2023 Recycling Collections at Hazen St.

Emilly Hickmott is requesting use of county property located on Hazen Street, Paw Paw, by the Van Buren Conservation District on June 24th for the Paw Paw Recycle Roundup Event.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the use of county property on Hazen Street in Paw Paw, on June 24th by the Van Buren Conservation District for the Paw Paw Recycle Roundup Event.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried

9. Finance

A. Commissioner Per Diems

Commissioner's per diems were reviewed.

Motion to approve the Commissioner's per diems for payment.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

B. Claims

Stephanie Walker presented claims for review.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, claims in the amount of $2,358,148.35.
Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried

C. Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) Grant Request

Finance Director Stephanie Walker presented the request for a LATCF Grant submission in the amount of $100,000.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the LATCF Grant submission in the amount of $100,000.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Richard Godfrey, Carried

D. Budget Adjustments

Finance Director Stephanie Walker presented the monthly budget adjustments.

Motion to accept the monthly budget adjustments required to maintain a balanced budget.
Motion by Richard Godfrey, Second by Paul Schincariol, Carried

E. Monthly Financial Statement

Finance Director Stephanie Walker presented the monthly financial statement.

Motion to accept the monthly financial statement as presented.
Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by Richard Godfrey, Carried

F. F. Evergreen Park Drive Property Sale

Undersheriff Conklin presented the request to list a seized property for sale and for the Board Chair to sign all necessary documents.

Motion to approve by resolution at today's meeting of the Board of Commissioners, authorization for the Board Chair to sign all necessary documents to list for sale a seized property located at 42769 Evergreen Park, Decatur.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried

10. Labor, Negotiations, and Contracts

A. AFSCME Reclassification Requests

As per agreements reached during contract negotiations with AFSCME, requests for reclassifications were submitted by January 4, 2023. These requests have been brought before the board for review. This item will be tabled until more data is received and will be addressed at a later date.

11. Public Transit

A. MDOT Contract 2022-0144/P2

Laurie Schlipp presented the request for a resolution of intent and signatures for MDOT Contract 2022-0144/P2 for additional funding to offset increased costs for new buses that are on order. MDOT was able to allocate surplus funds for the cost difference.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, approval of MDOT Contract 2022-0144/P2 and for the Board Chair to sign all necessary documents.
Motion by Kurt Doroh, Second by Mike Chappell, Carried

B. MDOT Contract 2022-0144/P3

Laurie Schlipp presented the request for a resolution of intent and signatures for MDOT Contract 2022-0144/P3 for operating assistance for FY2023 in the amount of $779,561.00.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, approval of MDOT Contract 2022-0144/P3 and for the Board Chair to digitally sign all necessary documents.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

C. Annual Application Information for MDOT

Laurie Schlipp presented the request for a resolution of intent and signatures for MDOT FY2024 Annual Application as required. Ths is the portal for Public Transit to recieve operating and capital funding.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, approval of MDOT FY2024 Annual Application and for the Board Chair to sign all necessary documents.
Motion by Kurt Doroh, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

12. Public Comment

- Steve Shults, Bloomingdale Communications - Broadband Project
- Janeen Horton, Bloomingdale Communications - Broadband Project

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 04:00 PM.

Suzie Roehm, County Clerk