

County Board of Commissioners

Members

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



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MINUTES June 22, 2021 4:00 PM

1. Call to Order

A. Zoom Meeting Information

On the above date the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order at 04:00 PM by Richard Godfrey, Chairman of the Board.

The roll was called by County Clerk Suzie Roehm with the following commissioners answering to their name and district: Gail Patterson-Gladney, Kurt Doroh, Richard Godfrey, Mike Chappell, Randall Peat, Donald Hanson, Paul Schincariol

2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Amend: Minutes should be included as a Consent Agenda item.

3. Approval of Agenda

All items on the agenda marked with '***' are part of the consent agenda. Commissioners or the public can request that items be removed from the consent agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Donald Hanson, Carried

4. Approval of Minutes

A. Board of Commissioners meeting Minutes 6/8/2021

Presented by:

Suzanne Roehm, County Clerk

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Donald Hanson, Carried

5. Public Comment

6. Presentation

7. Administrative Affairs Committee

A. **Truth in Taxation Hearing: L-4029

ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS RESOLUTION AA26/6-22-2021

WHEREAS, it is statutory duty of Van Buren County Board of Commissioners to authorize the levy of the county's millage rates for 2021, and;

WHEREAS, the county millage is affected by P.A. 5 of 1982, Truth in Taxation, and would limit the county to 7.1234 mills without a Public Truth in Taxation hearing, and;

WHEREAS, the county can levy the full millage rate only after fulfilling the requirements of P.A. 5 of 1982 and holding a Public Truth in Taxation hearing, and;

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners did hold a Public Truth in Taxation hearing on June 22, 2021 for the purpose of receiving testimony, thus fulfilling the requirements, and;

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners has the authority after holding a Public Truth in Taxation hearing to levy a maximum of 7.3504 mills, which includes 4.4566 allocated mills, 0.9370 mills for Ambulance, 0.9769 mills for Roads and 0.5332 mills for Public Safety, 0.2471 for Public Transit, 0.0996 for Conservation District and 0.1000 for Veterans Relief.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that after much deliberation and consideration of the county's budgetary needs for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners have decided, in the best interest of the county, to levy 7.3504 mills, which is 4.4566 allocated mills, 0.9370 mills for Ambulance, 0.9769 mills for Roads and 0.5332 mills for Public Safety, 0.2471 for Public Transit, 0.0996 for Conservation District and 0.1000 for Veterans Relief against the Taxable Value of all real and personal property in the county.

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Donald Hanson, Carried

B. **Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant

Presented by:

Robert Kirk, Emergency Management Director

ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS RESOLUTION AA27/6-22-2021

WHEREAS, the request is to approve the renewal of the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant (HMEP Grant), and;

WHEREAS, the HMEP grant is awarded to the Local Emergency Planning Committee for work on our SARA Title III sites, and;

WHEREAS, the grant provides reimbursement monies for the development of Emergency Response Plans for SARA Title III sites, and;

WHEREAS, the grant award is \$3,305.00. There is a 20% (\$826.00) in kind match for the Grant which there is money within the LEPC budget to cover, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Van Buren County Board of

Commissioners approves the renewal of the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant (HMEP Grant) and authorize the Board Chair to sign on its behalf.

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Donald Hanson, Carried

8. Finance Committee

A. **Motorola Proposal #1 - Dispatch Console, WatchGuard, Vigilant

Presented by:

Jim Charon, Lieutenant

Tim McGee, 911 Director

Manny DeLaRosa, Jail Administrator

FINANCE RESOLUTION F30/6-22-2021

WHEREAS, the request is to approve Proposal #1 for MCC 7500E Dispatch Console & WatchGuard Body Cameras / Vigilant Trailer LPR, and;

WHEREAS, the Dispatch Console portion of the proposal was originally slated to be part of the VHF Radio Upgrade Project, however, we discovered the opportunity to bundle it with the need for body worn cameras and the LPR system, producing a greater discount for the dispatch consoles, and;

WHEREAS, the following itemized costs will be charged to the following budgets: MCC 7500E Dispatch Console \$605,671 #261.0-325.00-980.009 (Dispatch 9-1-1)

WatchGuard Body Cameras \$211,946 #207.0-301.00-980.000 (Public Safety)

Vigilant Trailer \$26,700 #207.0-301.00-980.000 (Public Safety)

Q2 2021 Incentive by 6/24/2021 (\$100,000)

TOTAL PRICING \$744,317

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves Motorola's Proposal #1 at the June 22, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting.

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Donald Hanson, Carried

B. **Motorola Proposal #2 - Flex Solution for CAD/RMS/JMS

Presented by:

Jim Charon, Lieutenant

Tim McGee, 911 Director

Manny DeLaRosa, Jail Administrator

FINANCE RESOLUTION F31/6-22-2021

WHEREAS, the request is to approve Proposal #2 for Flex Solution for CAD / RMS / JMS, and;

WHEREAS, the dispatch CAD system was creating liability and performance issues and we began to seek a beginning to end solution to improve efficiency and effectiveness throughout law enforcement to reduce liability and increase effectiveness, and;

WHEREAS, The following itemized costs will be charged to the following budgets:

Flex Solution CAD / RMS / JMS:

(50% cost split) \$302,500.00 #261.0-325.00-980.009 (Dispatch 9-1-1)

(50% cost split) \$302,500.00 #101.0-302.00-980.000 (Road Patrol)

\$605,000.00

Flex Year 2 Maintenance:

(33% cost split) \$27,496.67 #261.0-325.00-980.009 (Dispatch 9-1-1)

(67% cost split) \$54,993.33 #101.0-302.00-980.000 (Road Patrol)

\$82,490.00

Flex Year 3 Maintenance:

(33% cost split) \$28,596.53 #261.0-325.00-980.009 (Dispatch 9-1-1)

(67% cost split) \$57,193.07 #101.0-302.00-980.000 (Road Patrol)

\$85,789.60

Flex Year 4 Maintenance:

(33% cost split) \$29,740.39 #261.0-325.00-980.009 (Dispatch 9-1-1)

(67% cost split) \$59,480.79 #101.0-302.00-980.000 (Road Patrol)

\$89,221.18

Flex Year 5 Maintenance:

(33% cost split) \$30,930.01 #261.0-325.00-980.009 (Dispatch 9-1-1)

(67% cost split) \$61,860.02 #101.0-302.00-980.000 (Road Patrol)

\$92,790.03

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves Motorola's Proposal #2 (in conjunction with Motorola's Proposal #1) at the June 22, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting.

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Donald Hanson, Carried

9. Labor Negotiations and Contracts Committee

A. Vision and Dental Insurance for Road Commissioners

Presented by:

Dan Bishop

LABOR RESOLUTION L10/6-22-2021

WHEREAS, Van Buren County Road Commissioners would like to purchase, at 100% their costs, vision and/or dental insurance through the Road Commissions plan, and;

WHEREAS, the premiums would be deducted from the Road Commissioners paycheck twice per month, and;

WHEREAS, all premiums will be paid 100% by Road Commissioners seeking this benefit, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the request by Van Buren County Road Commission for Commissioners to purchase Vision and/or Dental Insurance.

Motion by Donald Hanson, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

Yes: Gail Patterson-Gladney, Richard Godfrey, Mike Chappell, Randall Peat, Donald Hanson, Paul Schincariol

No: Kurt Doroh

B. Position Vacancy - Information Services - Operations Manager

Presented by:

Frank Hardester, County Administrator

LABOR RESOLUTION L11/6-22-2021

WHEREAS, the information services director is requesting to fill the IS - Operations Manager position, and;

WHEREAS, the current operations manager from Information Services is transitioning into a new role outside of the county effective 7/2/2021. The position is a vital position in the IS office, and;

WHEREAS, the position is posted, however, the county is currently under a hiring freeze and departments must obtain approval from the board to fill vacant positions, and;

WHEREAS, there is no financial impact, the position is already in the budget, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the hiring of a new Operations Manager.

Motion by Donald Hanson, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

C. Position Vacancy - District Court Probation Officer

Presented by:

Rachel Lindley, Trial Court Administrator

LABOR RESOLUTION L12/6-22-2021

WHEREAS, the request is for the approval to fill the vacant District Court Probation Officer position, previously held by Ryan Smith, and;

WHEREAS, the county implemented a hiring freeze and required department heads to seek approval prior to positing vacant positions, and;

WHEREAS, we could have potential internal candidates, we are proactively requesting to post / hire any position(s) that becomes vacant due to filling the District Court Probation Officer position, and;

WHEREAS, no financial impact to the county as this position has already been factored into our budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the hiring of a new Probation Officer.

Motion by Donald Hanson, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried

10. Public Comment

11. Closed Session

12. Board Correspondence

13. Committee/Out-Board Assignments

- Municipalities
- Finance Committee
- Administrative Affairs Committee
- Brownfield Redevelopment Authority
- Council of Foreign Relations
- SW Michigan Action Agency
- SW Michigan Planning Commission
- Area Agency on Aging
- Labor Negotiations & Contracts
- Buildings & Grounds
- Jeff Mills Retirement
- LEPC
- Wellness Committee
- Van Buren/Cass Health Department
- Kinexus
- MiWorks
- Lincoln Day
- Veterans Committee
- Public Health
- Security Committee
- Hazardous Waste
- Veteran Court Graduation

Administrator Hardester

- Kinexus meeting
- Public Defender
- Wayne Nelson meeting

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 04:30 PM.

Richard Godfrey, Chairperson

Suzie Roehm, County Clerk