

**MINUTES
ISABELLA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
February 4, 2020**

The Isabella County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chairperson George Green in the Commission Chambers on the above date.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was led by Chairperson George Green.

Roll was called with the following Commissioners present: George Green, Frank Engler, Jerry Jaloszynski, Jim Horton, James Moreno, Steve Swaney and Tobin Hope

Commissioners Absent: None

Also present were: Isabella County Administrator/Controller Margaret McAvoy, Assistant Administrator/Controller Nicole Frost, County Clerk Minde` B. Lux, and Deputy Clerk Brenda M. Young

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Hope to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS: None

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

1. Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works Workforce Development Board:

It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and seconded by Commissioner Engler to appoint Frank Cloutier, Director of Public Relations with the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, to serve as the SCIT's representative on the Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works Workforce Development Board for the remainder of a 2-year term ending June 20, 2020. Motion Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve and place on file the January 21, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes, the January 28, 2020 Finance Administration Committee minutes, the January 28, 2020 Criminal Justice and County Affairs Committee minutes, the January 28, 2020 Human Resources and Public Works Committee minutes and the January 23, 2020 Routine Personnel Items. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Administration Committee:

1. January 17, 2020 Invoice List; January 24, 2020 Invoice List; and January 30, 2020 Adjustment List:

It was moved by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Hope to ratify and place on file the January 17, 2020 Invoice List in the amount of \$1,795,238.61, the January 24, 2020 Invoice List in the amount of \$221,644.70, and the Adjustment List dated January 30, 2020. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Engler, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Swaney and Hope. Nays: None.

2. Staples MiDEAL Participation Agreement:

It was moved by Commissioner Hope and seconded by Commissioner Horton to approve the Staples MiDEAL Participation Agreement, and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Engler, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Swaney and Hope. Nays: None.

3. Segal Waters Implementation- Clerk, Drains, and Register of Deeds:

It was moved by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Hope to implement the Segal Waters Proposed Pay Grade and Annual Salary as recommended for the Clerk’s Office in its entirety, except for both Deputy County Clerk positions remain a Nonunion Grade 7 and both Deputy Circuit Court Clerk positions remain a Nonunion Grade 8. For the Drain Office implement the Segal Waters Proposed Pay grades and Annual Salary as recommended except for the Engineering Technician position to remain a Nonunion Grade 10. For the Register of Deeds Office implement the Segal Waters Proposed Pay Grade and Annual Salary as recommended except for the Register of Deeds Salary and set the salary at \$73,300.00. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Engler, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Swaney and Hope. Nays: None.

Criminal Justice and County Affairs Committee:

1. James Recker Trust Farmland Agreement Partial Termination:

Whereas, on January 10, 2020 the Board received a request from James Recker Trust for approval to have a certain parcel released from Farmland Agreement Number #37-66032, which was executed in accordance with the provisions of PA 116 of 1974, commonly known as the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act: and

Whereas, the Isabella County Board of Commissioners has reviewed this request and determined and determined that at least one structure located on the parcel was present prior to the original execution of said agreement; and

Whereas, the parcel proposed for release from the agreement is two acres or less in size OR applicant provided documentation for larger than two-acre parcel; and

Whereas, the Board finds that the request for release of the particular parcel is acceptable; Now therefore be it resolved the Isabella County Board of Commissioners finds that the request for release of the particular parcel is as follows:

- (1) That the Board hereby approves the request to release the following described piece of property from the PA 116 agreement
- (2) That the Board hereby certifies that at least one structure located on the certain piece of property was present prior to the original execution of said PA116 agreement.
- (3) That the County clerk is hereby directed to transmit certified and sealed copies of this resolution to the person making the request and to the Farmland Unit of the MI Dept, of Agriculture.

It was moved by Commissioner Engler and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to adopt Resolution No. 20-02-02 the James Recker Trust Farmland Agreement Partial Termination and instruct the Isabella County Clerk to forward the approved application to the MDA-Farmland and Open Space Program. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Engler, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Swaney and Hope. Nays: None.

Human Resources and Public Works Committee:

1. Coldwater Lake Family Park – Raised Fire Rings Purchase:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the purchase of 70 raised fire rings from Cadillac Culvert, Inc. for \$10,300 with a \$5,150 match from Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority ((MMRMA) for Coldwater Lake Family Park. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Engler, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Swaney and Hope. Nays: None.

2. Resolution No. 20-02-01:

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters was founded in 1920 as a “mighty political experiment” by the foremothers of the suffragist movement at the National American Woman Suffrage Association, and;
WHEREAS, their goal was to help the 20 million women who were granted the right to vote by the 19th Amendment understand and carry out their new responsibility as voters, and;

WHEREAS, with the success of this effort and the tireless efforts over the last 100 years to strengthen and uphold its mission to empower voters and defend democracy, the League has become a trusted nonpartisan, grassroots organization, and;

WHEREAS, the League has sponsored legislation and fought in the courts to protect and strengthen voting rights and access, and for free and fair elections, civil rights, children, community health, and education, and;

WHEREAS, the League has consistently been noted for its nonpartisan election information, including sponsorship of candidate forums and information on state and local ballot issues, as well as its commitment to register, educate, and mobilize voters, and;

WHEREAS, the League champions government systems that are open, transparent, inclusive, and equitable, and;

WHEREAS, the League believes that active and engaged citizens, irrespective of gender, ethnicity, or political affiliation, are the hallmark of democracy;

NOW THEREFORE be it proclaimed February 14th as League of Women Voters Day in Isabella County, Michigan, and;

We honor and congratulate the League of Women Voters on its 100th Anniversary and commend the League for its significant contributions to empowering voters and making democracy work.

It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to adopt Isabella County Board of Commissioners Resolution No.20-02-01, Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the League of Women Voters of the United States, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same.

Representatives from the League of Woman Voters were present to accept the signed Resolution. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Engler, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Swaney and Hope. Nays: None.

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee: None

Administrator/Controller: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

General Public Comments:

Teresa Turner spokesperson for the Local LWV stated that on Feb 14, 2020 the organization will be having a day of action at the Veteran's Memorial Library to teach citizens how to contact their officials, register to vote how to get an absent ballot.

Announcements: None

Adjournment: It was moved by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 7:21 p.m.