

**MINUTES**  
**Isabella County Board of Commissioners**  
**REGULAR BOARD**  
**HYBRID MEETING (IN-PERSON/ELECTRONIC)**  
**Isabella County Commission on Aging Building**  
**2200 S. Lincoln Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858**  
**August 1st, 2023 – 7:20 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER** by Chairman Hope in conference room A/B of the Commission on Aging, 2200 S. Lincoln Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. Hybrid Meeting (In-Person/Electronic).

**Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America** was led by Chairman Tobin Hope.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Commissioners Present:** Tobin Hope, Chris Embrey, Terry Hutchinson, James Moreno, Frank Engler, Steve Swaney, and Jerry Jaloszynski.

**Commissioners Absent:** None.

**Also present:** County Administrator/Controller Nicole Frost and Isabella County Clerk Minde B. Lux.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Embrey to approve the agenda, as submitted. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS:**

1. It was moved by Commissioner Hutchinson and supported by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 budget millage for the Isabella County Transportation Commission at .8620 of one mill. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.

## **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

1. Chairperson's request for nominations for one opening on the Department of Health and Human Services/Medical Care Facility Board - County Citizen Representative - for a 3-year term ending October 31, 2026, or until a successor is appointed. One application was received from Vickie Block (I).

It was moved by Commissioner Engler and supported by Commissioner Hutchinson to nominate Vickie Block. Chairperson Hope called for nominations three times. It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Engler to close nominations and to cast a unanimous vote for Vickie Block. Motion carried.

2. Chairperson's request for nominations for two At-Large openings on the Isabella County Human Rights Committee, for a 3-year terms ending September 1, 2026, or until successors are appointed. Applications were received from Amy Perschbacher (I) and Dr. Sarvjit Chowdhary (I).

Commissioner Moreno nominated Amy Perschbacher and supported by Commissioner Hutchinson. Chairperson Hope called for nominations three times. It was moved by Commissioner Engler and supported by Commissioner Moreno to close nominations and to cast a unanimous vote for Amy Perschbacher. Commissioner Swaney nominated Dr. Sarvjit Chowdhary and it was supported by Commissioner Moreno. Chairperson Hope called for nominations three times. It was moved by Commissioner Engler and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Dr. Sarvjit Chowdhary. Motion carried.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. It was moved by Commissioner Embrey and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve and place on file the July 18, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes, the July 25, 2023 Finance and Administration Committee Meeting minutes, and the July 27, 2023 Human Resources and Public Works Committee Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Finance and Administration Committee:**

1. It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and seconded by Commissioner Embrey to ratify and place on file the July 14, 2023

Invoice List in the amount of \$206, 987.30, the July 21, 2023 Invoice List in the amount of \$260,097.09, and the Adjustment List dated July 27, 2023. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.

2. It was moved by Commissioner Embrey and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the proposed changes to PTO and holiday benefits for new hires in the Personnel Manual for Non-Represented Employees, effective immediately. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.

**Criminal Justice and County Affairs:** None.

**Human Resources and Public Works Committee:**

1. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Hutchinson to approve Zoning Amendment #23-01, which would rezone the subject property from Light Industrial (I-1) to Agricultural Buffer (AG3), and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.
2. It was moved by Commissioner Hutchinson and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Zoning Amendment #23-02, which would rezone the subject property from Commercial-Industrial (C-I) to Light Industrial (I-1), and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.
3. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Hutchinson to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Central Michigan University and Isabella County on behalf of the Materials Recovery Facility, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.
4. It was moved by Commissioner Hutchinson and Commissioner Hutchinson and supported by Commissioner Moreno to approve

Agreement for Extension Services between Michigan State University and Isabella County for Fiscal Year 2024, in the amount of \$174,779.00, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.

5. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Hutchinson to approve the to approve the Mount Pleasant Area Community Foundation (MPACF) Healthy Youth Healthy Seniors Fund Grant Award in the amount of \$777.61, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.
6. It was moved by Commissioner Hutchinson and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Mount Pleasant Area Community Foundation (MPACF) Isabella County Health Improvement Fund Grant Award in the amount of \$5,922.00, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hutchinson, Moreno, Embrey, Swaney, Engler, Jaloszynski and Hope. Nays: None.

**Intergovernmental Affairs:** None

**Administrator/Controller:**

1. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Engler to approve the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) Employee Delegate Andrew Foster; Employee Alternate Kathleen Schafer; Officer Delegate Steven W. Pickens; and Officer Alternate Melissa Franquist, to serve at the Annual MERS Conference on September 28, 2023, and September 29, 2023, with fees and expenses paid by the County for the Delegates attending. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:**

1. It was moved by Commissioner Engler and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the First Addendum to the Allergan, Teva, CVS, and Walmart Settlement Agreements, the

Walgreens Participation Agreement, and the Second Addendum to the Distributor and Janssen Settlements, and authorize Administrator/Controller Nicole F. Frost as Authorized Official to sign the same.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Announcements:**

Commissioner Jaloszynski announced that on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Joe Meyers will be in the Village of Shepherd at 6 p.m. in front of the Shepherd Bar performing his songs, and there will be food trucks. He also stated that they just had the dueling pianos a week ago, and it was well attended.

Commissioner Hutchinson wanted to let everyone mark their calendar for Labor Day weekend for the Chicken Barbeque dinner, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, in Beal City.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Commissioner Embrey and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to adjourn at 7:54 p.m.

APPROVED