

**MINUTES**  
**ISABELLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**IN-PERSON MEETING**  
**Isabella County Commission on Aging**  
**2200 S. Lincoln Rd, Conference Room A**  
**Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858**  
**November 26th, 2024**  
**10:00 a.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.

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

**Roll Call:**

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

**Commissioner Absent:** None

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

**Approval of Agenda:**

It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to the agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

**General Public Comments:**

Bree Moeggenberg of Union Township stated that there are three outcomes today with this meeting. First, the Commissioners can move forward the referendum and a committee of voters will ensure to take this to a vote of the public by obtaining signatures. Second, the Commissioners can rescind their Notice of Intent and rebuild the trust in the community by waiting for the new Administrator/Controller and two new Commissioners to come on. Third, the Commissioners can rescind their Notice of Intention and allow it to go to a vote.

Ray McCaul, precinct delegate of Wise Township stated that there can be no taxation without representation and he wants the Bond to be rescinded.

Chairman Hope opened the floor to allow Commissioners to speak.

Commissioner Jaloszynski stated that he feels that there was not a full consensus. There needs to be more public input.

Commissioner Engler stated that there seems to be a misconception with the Notice of Intent and that this notice meant that we could build, but it was not. We need to also consider inflation rates so I will support to back off for now. I have spoke to Terry Turnwald who is on the road commission and he stated that there may be a possibility of looking into the old Carter Building.

Commissioner Moreno stated that he supports rescinding and that we need more time for a better solution with more opportunities.

Commissioner Hope stated that he feels leasing long term is not a solution. He agrees to rescind for now until the two new commissioners come on and the new Administrator/Controller. He explained that the issue that was tabled was the removal on the agenda of the contract with Spicer Brothers, not the Notice of Intent.

It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Engler to rescind the Notice of Intent Bond Resolution #2024-16 for the Isabella County Administration Building Complex Renovation Project. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Embrey, Engler, Swaney, Jaloszynski. Nays: Hutchinson.

#### **General Public Comments:**

Karen Jackson, Isabella County Register of Deed, stated that she has been operating out of a garage currently and would like to see a solution done for all. She also stated that no matter what, we will never be able to go back to what we had before and that we all need to work together and accept what we need to do to serve the public.

#### **Announcements:**

Frank Engler stated that he wishes the Beal City Aggies good luck this weekend at football.

#### **Adjournment:**

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to adjourn at 10:25 a.m. Motion carried.