Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse in Centreville, Michigan on February 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Dennis Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Pangle.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Dennis Allen       Ken Malone
Allen J. Balog     Kathy Pangle

Commissioner Czajkowski was absent.

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for February 4, 2020 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from the City of Three Rivers, Re: Notice of intent to update Master Plan.
Resolution from Cheboygan County, Re: Support of Stepping Up Initiative.
Resolutions from Alcona, Oceana and Sanilac County, Re: Support of Second Amendment.
Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of January 15, 2020.
Minutes of the Community Action Board meeting of November 25, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS’ COMMENT

Tim Carls of Florence Township commented on ballots and budgets.
Tyler Augst from MSU-e discussed available resources.
Rebecca Shank of 385 S. Washington in Constantine commented on Trine.

COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to accept the report and place it on file. Motion carried.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POLICIES

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adopt the presented policies. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the employment exception. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to reappoint Dan Czajkowski and Roger Gentz to the Agricultural Preservation Board. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to reappoint Nathan Brown and appoint Bill Walters with a term ending March 1, 2021; Steve Holt with a term ending March 1, 2023; and Frederick Yager with a term ending March 1, 2024 to the Veterans’ Affairs Board. Motion carried.
ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT
Ms. Doehring thanked Mr. Bainbridge for all the work on the IT policies.

FINANCE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS

Budget Amendments

There were no budget amendments.

Financial Statement

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the financial statement ending January 31, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement
Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary
Commissioner Malone noted discussion about computerization.

Physical Resources
Commissioner Malone stated that the Committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole
Chairman Allen stated that minutes were available.

Other Committees
Commissioner Pangle commented on Solid Waste Committee activities and the HSC.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
Chairman Allen had nothing further to report.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adjourn to closed session under Open Meetings Act Section 8(d) to consider the purchase of a property. Motion carried 5-0 upon roll call vote.

The Commission adjourned to closed session at 5:35 p.m.

The Commission reconvened to open session at 6:55 p.m. Chairman Allen noted the Commission had met in closed session to discuss a property purchase and no decisions were made.

COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS
There were no further comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:56 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until March 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk
Dennis Allen, Chairman