

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commission Chambers on September 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Vice-chair Kathy Pangle called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

Vice-chair Pangle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Daniel R. Czajkowski	Ken Malone
Jared Hoffmaster	Kathy Pangle

Commissioner Allen was absent.

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

AGENDA

Commissioner Malone asked that a contract for be added to the agenda.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Hoffmaster that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

It was moved by Commissioner Hoffmaster and seconded by Commissioner Malone to place the communications on file as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for August 17, 2021 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Judie Pioch, District Director of MSU-e, introduced Autumn Converse, 4-h program administrator.

Tim Carls, Florence Township Supervisor, commented on the budget.

Rebecca Shank responded about Mr. Carls questions about the Road Commission budget.

Tim Carls commented on using road commission surplus for food loss from the recent power outage.

Rebecca Shank, 385 S. Washington, Constantine, commented on local media and movie premier.

PUBLIC HEARING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Vice-chair Pangle opened the floor for public comment at 5:12 p.m.

Tim Carls asked about sending the money to food banks.

Ms. Steinman commented on how the program worked.

Hearing no other comments, Vice-chair Pangle closed the floor to public comment at 5:16 p.m.

EXTEND COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACT

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the contract for Friend of the Court funding from the State of Michigan for an additional 2 years. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANTS

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Hoffmaster to approve the grants. Motion carried.

RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 18-2017

It was moved by Commissioner Hoffmaster and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to rescind Resolution 18-2017. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SECTOR CONSULTANTS

It was moved by Commissioner Hoffmaster and seconded by Commissioner Malone to authorize County Administrator Doehring to negotiate a contract with Public Sector Consultants to maximize ARPA funds. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Vice-chair Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to appoint Jared Hoffmaster and Angela Wilson to the Workforce Development Board with terms expiring September 30, 2022. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Hoffmaster and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to appoint John Smits, Glenn Nissley, Frank Kalasky, Doris Ripplinger, Carol Higgins, and Mark Ripplinger to the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee with terms expiring September 1, 2023. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Doehring noted a recent staff appreciation event.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman reported that the audit was not yet available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Hoffmaster stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Vice-chair Pangle stated that the minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Malone commented on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Vice-chair Pangle commented on the Health Board and Health Officer findings.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Vice-chair Pangle commented on Walk for Warmth.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Malone commented on the local movie premier.

Commissioner Hoffmaster asked about emergency funding.

County Administrator Doehring provided an update from Emergency Manager Goff.

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on the emergency management funds and the ARPA funds.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:41 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until September 21, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk

Dennis Allen, Chairman