

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commission Chambers and broadcast via the Zoom platform on October 20, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Dennis Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

Deputy County Clerk Valerie Casterline called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Ken Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and 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 October 6, 2020 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board Meeting of September 16, 2020.

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

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were none.

APPORTIONMENT REPORT

RESOLUTION 11-2020

WHEREAS, MCL 211.37 as amended, requires the County Board of Commissioners at their October session, to apportion the amount of property taxes to be raised by the various taxing jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the attached Apportionment Report contains a summary of the requests for millages to be levied by the various taxing jurisdictions and the County of St. Joseph; and

WHEREAS, MCL 207.12, as amended, requires the Director of the County Tax Equalization Department to make and submit to the Department of Treasury, State Tax Commission, a detailed report of such actions by the County Board on a form prescribed by the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners approves the attached summary of millage requests by the various taxing jurisdictions and further authorizes the St. Joseph County Equalization Director to certify such forms and submit them as required by law to the appropriate departments.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5 to 0 upon roll call vote.

COMMISSION ON AGING ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Maloneto place the report on file. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF COA SERVER

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Maloneto approve the purchase of the server for \$8,000 Motion carried 5 to 0 upon a roll call vote.

LAKE TEMPLENE AND SAND LAKE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

RESOLUTION 12-2020

WHEREAS, the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner, as the delegated authority designated by the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") under Part 307 of the Natural Resources and

Environmental Protection Act, Act 451 of 1994, as amended (“Part 307”), has the ongoing responsibility to maintain the court-ordered lake levels of Lake Templene and Sand Lake; and

WHEREAS, a special assessment district was established by the 45th Circuit Court for Lake Templene and Sand Lake, located in Nottawa and Sherman Townships, St. Joseph County, Michigan under Part 307, specifically MCL 324.30704; and

WHEREAS, the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner held a public hearing as the delegated authority for the Lake Templene and Sand Lake Lake Level District for St. Joseph County on October 5, 2020 to review the computation of costs of lake level control maintenance and improvements and a special assessment roll consistent with the requirements of Part 307; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the computation of costs of the project and the special assessment roll.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Board approves the computation of costs of the project and the special assessment roll as provided by the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner.
2. The special assessment roll with the assessments listed shall be final and conclusive unless appealed in a court within 15 days of the adoption of this Resolution. MCL 324.30714.
3. The St. Joseph County Clerk shall forward to the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner a copy of this Resolution so that action can be instituted by St. Joseph County in an expedient manner.
4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as the same may be in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Balog to adopt the resolution and waive second reaching. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog to appoint David Mostrom, Ryan Miller, David Garipey, Dale Kesler, Douglas Mostrom, and Terry Woldring to the Remonumentation Peer Review Group. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Ms. Doehring noted the 35-hour work week did not pass union approval and other cost savings measures were being reviewed.

FINANCE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Financial Statement

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog 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

Chairman Allen stated that minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Pangle commented on Project Connect.

Commissioner Balog reported that Joe Haas had resigned from the Transportation Authority Board after 20 years to serve on the Glen Oaks Community College Board.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen commented on Centreville-Constantine Road and an upcoming vacancy on the Road Commission because of a term ending at the end of the year.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on Animal Control activities.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:30 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until November 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Valerie Casterline, Deputy County Clerk

Dennis Allen, Chairman