

September 11, 2018

The regular meeting of the Mason County Board of Commissioners was held at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room located in the Mason County Courthouse in the City of Ludington.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lange.

Roll call was taken. Present: W. Taranko, G. Castonia, C. Lange, L. Squires,
S. Hull, J. Andersen, T. Posma
Absent: None.

Invocation was given by L. Squires. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America followed.

Motion by J. Andersen and seconded by G. Castonia to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Hull and seconded by W. Taranko to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2018 Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

Correspondence: No correspondence was read.

Public comment: None.

Michigan State University Extension Interim District 5 Coordinator Shari Spoelman reviewed with the board the 2017-2018 annual report. She informed the board that five candidates have applied for the position and they hope to have a person in place the end of September. Additionally, Aaron Myers, Mason County 4-H Coordinator; Deanne Rohr 4-H Global/Cultural Education Coordinator for the State of Michigan; and David Jones, Regional Fruit Tree Educator, gave brief reports of activities over the past year.

Commissioner Squires asked whether or not the new location at West Shore Community College has been beneficial to the Extension Office, as MSU-E has previously been housed in the City of Scottville for over 50 years. All members present stated that the new offices have seen significantly higher foot traffic and users of the recreation facility also stop into the MSU-E offices. They are very happy with the new location. The only item that they could improve upon was signage. At this time, there is not adequate signage noting where the offices are located. They are working towards this end.

Motion by Finance, Personnel, & Rules Committee Chairman W. Taranko and seconded by G. Castonia to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Act 2 of 1968 (State Convention Facility Development Act), may have necessitated a public hearing in order to comply with Act 5 of 1982 (Truth in Taxation).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the County of Mason is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of such public hearing, and said notice be substantially in the form of the attached Exhibit A, in a newspaper of general circulation within the county district. The notice shall be published not less than six days before the public hearing and shall comply with all requirements of said Act 5 and shall post notice of said public hearing in compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Acts.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) W. Taranko

Motion by W. Taranko and seconded by G. Castonia to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Mason County Council on Aging has recommended fiscal year 2019 funding allocations of \$205,500.00 for the Scottville Senior Center, \$167,000.00 for the Ludington Senior Center, \$37,468.00 for the Tallman Lake Senior Center, \$30,225.00 for Mason County Central Schools Meal Program, \$7,000.00 for HELP, Inc., and \$26,700.00 for the Free Soil Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, the Mason County Finance, Personnel, & Rules Committee is recommending the approval of this recommendation.