

May 12, 2015

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, B. Carpenter, C. Lange, C. VanderWall, S. Hull, J. Andersen, T. Posma  
Absent: None.

Invocation was given by T. Posma. Pledge to the flag followed.

Motion by B. Carpenter and seconded by W. Taranko to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by C. VanderWall and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2015 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Lange read a resolution from Huron County opposing any more consolidations or regionalizations by the State of Michigan without local input.

Public Comment:

- Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) District #5 Coordinator Michael Krauch updated the Board on the following issues: Breakfast on the Farm program; will be interviewing eight applicants for the Health & Nutrition instructor; have completed interviews for the Supervising Educator; 4-H Program Coordinator Michelle DeKyper has left and the search will begin for a new coordinator; and the District Extension Council Meeting will be held on May 21st from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Scottville Extension Office.
- Evelyn Bergaila of Riverton Township supports the roof over the dog runs at the Mason County Animal Control Building.

West Michigan Community Mental Health Executive Director Dr. Lisa Hotovy reviewed the 2013/14 Annual Report which included a financial summary, accomplishments for the past year, and goals for the upcoming year.

Commissioner Taranko informed the Board the District #10 Health Department is in the running to be nationally accredited.

Motion by W. Taranko and seconded by B. Carpenter to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee is recommending the attached budget amendments related to the Emergency Management Department.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached budget amendments related to the Emergency Management Department.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) W. Taranko

Motion by B. Carpenter and seconded by C. VanderWall to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee has reviewed the transfers for May 12, 2015.

**THEREFORE**, we, your Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee, request your approval of the following transfers:

Jail Operations	\$122,000.00
Airport Operations	\$ 34,750.00

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) B. Carpenter

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Motion by Building, Planning, Drains, and Airport Committee Chairman C. VanderWall and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the County of Mason and Mason County Aviation have an Airport Lease Agreement at the Mason County Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, the Buildings, Planning, Drains, and Airport Committee has negotiated an extension to said agreement.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached extension to the Airport Lease Agreement at the Mason County Airport and further directs its Board Chair to sign said contract.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) C. VanderWall

Motion by S. Hull and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, Homeland Security Grants are now being given on a regional basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Mason is a member of the Region 6 Homeland Security Governing Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Region 6 Homeland Security Governing Board has designated West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission as the Fiduciary for the 2013 Homeland Security Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Region 6 Homeland Security Governing Board has authorized the purchase of a Lantern 4.5.6 License; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Mason needs to approve the attached Certification of Goods Received.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached Certification of Goods Received and authorizes the Board Chair to sign this document.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) S. Hull

Motion by S. Hull and seconded by B. Carpenter to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the County of Mason and Mason County Aviation have a contract for supplemental services at the Mason County Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, this contract extends the hours that the airport is open, provides for the removal of snow, ice, and other debris from runways, aprons, drives, and hangar areas, and for the maintenance of airport property with regard to weed, brush, grass, and other growth control of airport runways, apron and hangar areas, and ground maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Buildings, Planning, Drains, & Airport Committee has negotiated an extension to said contract.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached extension to the contract for supplemental services at the Mason County Airport and further directs its Board Chair and the Committee Chair to sign said contract.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) S. Hull

Commissioner Andersen distributed the May 2015 issue of the "Active for Life".

Motion by Public Safety and Courts Committee Chairman J. Andersen and seconded by C. VanderWall to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the County of Mason needs shredding services performed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Buildings, Planning, Drains, and Airport Committee is recommending approval of the attached agreement with West Michigan Community Mental Health System for the performance of these duties.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached agreement with West Michigan Community Mental Health System and furthers directs the County Administrator to sign said agreement on their behalf.

Motion carried. (Signed) J. Andersen

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Motion by J. Andersen and seconded by W. Taranko to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, Lakeshore Animal Friends previously assisted the county with the construction of dog runs at the Mason County Animal Control Building; and

**WHEREAS**, Lakeshore Animal Friends has requested that the county allow the construction of a roof over the runs; and

**WHEREAS**, Lakeshore Animal Friends has indicated their willingness to donate the funds necessary to construct this roof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Safety & Courts Committee is recommending approval of this request to construct a roof over the dog runs at the Mason County Animal Control building.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the construction of a roof over the dog runs at the Mason County Animal Control building; funds to come from Lakeshore Animal Friends.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) J. Andersen

Motion by Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee Chairman T. Posma and seconded by B. Carpenter to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

The Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee has audited the County's claims dated April 9, 2015 totaling \$308,352.56, and April 23, 2015 totaling \$427,427.75; and

The Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee found these claims to be in order and asks the Board to approve these claims.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) T. Posma, B. Carpenter, C. Lange

Motion by Chairman Lange and seconded by C. VanderWall to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, May is Mental Health Month; and

**WHEREAS**, stigma associated with mental illness and developmental disabilities, and substance use disorder creates one of the primary barriers to individuals seeking needed services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason recognizes that stigma associated with mental illness and developmental disabilities, and substance use disorder creates one of the primary barriers to individuals seeking needed services; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens of Lake, Mason, and Oceana County, in coordination with West Michigan Community Mental Health System and the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards, represented their home counties in an event titled "Walk a Mile in My Shoes" at the State Capitol on May 6, 2015 to promote awareness and reduce stigma associated with mental illness and developmental disabilities, and substance use disorder.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason recognizes May as Mental Health Month and supports the efforts of the citizens of Mason County who participated in the "Walk a Mile in My Shoes" event to promote awareness of, and to reduce the stigma associated with mental illness and developmental disabilities, and substance use disorder in Mason County.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) C. Lange

Treasurer Shirley Smith reviewed the April 2015 Treasurer's report and answered questions.

Clerk Kelly was not in attendance to review the Clerk's Report but it was provided at the meeting.

Administrator Knizacky reported on the progress of the new hangar at the Mason County Airport. He also reported that he attended a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) seminar on May 6th, 2015 to review the significant changes in the FOIA laws. Changes will be addressed at the June meeting.

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Public comment: There was no public comment.

Any Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business addressed.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

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LORI HOLMES, DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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CHARLES LANGE, BOARD CHAIRMAN