

May 15, 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, C. Lange, L. Squires, S. Hull, J. Andersen, T. Posma  
Absent: G. Castonia.

Invocation was given by J. Andersen. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America followed.

Motion by T. Posma and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the agenda with Commissioner Taranko presenting Commissioner Castonia's resolutions. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Hull and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2018 Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

Correspondence: No correspondence was read.

Public comment:

- Chairman Lange introduced Brady Selner, the new Zoning and Building Director, to the entire board, as well as the public in attendance.
- Gig Rose of the Mason County Garden Club noted that June 3-9 is National Garden Week. She appreciated the proclamation that was given last year.

District Health Department #10 Health Officer Kevin Hughes presented his annual report. Highlights included the County's health ranking, PFAS (Polyfluoroalkyl substances) in water especially around the Grayling area, Hepatitis A outbreak with 833 reported cases in Michigan, and a water-testing lab has been recently opened in the Ludington office.

Commission Squires asked if the Health Department is involved with the opioid issue that is plaguing Mason County. Mr. Hughes responded that there currently is no funding but that the Health Department has started the process to obtain statistics for future needs.

Commissioner Squires questioned if the Health Department had any statistics regarding medical marijuana. He was informed no information is kept locally and all is maintained at the State level. Mr. Hughes did note that the Board of the District #10 Health Department had signed a resolution taking a stance against recreational marijuana.

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Finance, Personnel, & Rules Committee has reviewed the transfers for May 15, 2018.

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

Jail Operations	\$133,329.00
Airport Operations	\$ 37,450.00

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) W. Taranko, C. Lange, T. Posma

A regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Mason (the "County") was held in the Mason County Courthouse, 304 E. Ludington Avenue, Ludington, Michigan 49431, on May 15, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., local time.

PRESENT: Commissioner Taranko, Commissioner Lange, Commissioner Squires, Commissioner Hull, Commissioner Andersen, Commissioner Posma.

ABSENT: Commissioner Castonia.

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The following preamble and resolution were offered by Commissioner Taranko and supported by Commissioner Squires:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to provide for the operation, maintenance, and capital costs of the Oakview Medical Care Facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners wishes to submit the question of levying a millage for these purposes to the voters at the election to be held on August 7, 2018.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that:

1. The following proposition shall be submitted to the electors of the County at the August 7, 2018, Election:
- 2.

**OAKVIEW MEDICAL CARE FACILITY MILLAGE RENEWAL**

This proposal is for the reauthorization of a millage, which expired with the 2017 tax levy.

Shall the limitation of the amount of property taxes which may be assessed each year against all taxable real and personal property in Mason County be increased by not more than 0.9715 of a mill (0.9715 cents per \$1000 of taxable value) for a period of ten (10) years, December 1, 2018, to November 30, 2028, inclusive, to provide funds for the operation, maintenance and capital costs of the Oakview Medical Care Facility and shall Mason County levy the millage for this purpose thereby raising an estimated \$1,826,882 in the first year of the levy?

YES   
NO

3. An election is called to be held on the August 7, 2018, election date, and the County Clerk is hereby further authorized and directed to cause all necessary notices to be posted and published in such a manner and at such times as required by law.

4. The County Clerk and all other County officials are authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to have the proposal placed on the ballot on August 7, 2018.

5. All existing or previous resolutions and parts of resolutions, insofar as they may conflict with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby rescinded to the extent necessary to avoid such conflict.

AYES: Commissioner Taranko, Commissioner Lange, Commissioner Squires, Commissioner Hull, Commissioner Andersen, Commissioner Posma.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

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Cheryl Kelly, County Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Clerk of the County of Mason, State of Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of County Commissioners at a regular meeting held on May 15, 2018, the original of which is part of the Board of County Commissioners' minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

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Cheryl Kelly, County Clerk

Motion by W. Taranko and seconded by L. Squires to approve the following resolution:

**HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS**

**WHEREAS**, Sheriff Cole is requesting authorization to purchase twenty one tactical protective vests from the Equipment Replacement Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Safety & Courts Committee is recommending the purchase from the Equipment Replacement Fund.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the purchase of twenty one tactical protective vests from the Equipment Replacement Fund.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) W. Taranko

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Motion by W. Taranko and seconded by S. Hull to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management office received Mobile Gateway equipment to provide a temporary patching capability; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mason-Oceana 911 Central Dispatch Director has expressed an interest in outfitting the 911 Center's vehicle with radios to enable it to be a mobile patching solution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Safety and Courts Committee is recommending that the County Board approve the attached memorandum of understanding to facilitate this relationship.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached memorandum of understanding with Mason-Oceana 911 Central Dispatch and directs the Board Chair to sign it on their behalf.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) W. Taranko

Motion by L. Squires and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, Jody Hartley has served the citizens of Mason County for over 30 years in the Mason County Sheriff's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody has held the positions of Dispatcher, Corrections Officer, Road Patrol Officer, Road Patrol Sergeant, Detective, SSCENT Narcotics Detective, undercover officer, SERT Team Operator, SERT Team Sniper, and Undersheriff; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody received the Mason County Sheriff Office Commendation for Professionalism in 2001 for work on solving 25 burglaries resulting in several arrest warrants and recovery of thousands of dollars in stolen property; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody received a Letter of Commendation from Benzie County in 2003 for assistance in the investigation that led to the capture and confession of a felon and the Mason County Sheriff Office Distinguished Service for Professionalism and Bravery for actions taken following an incident in Newaygo County; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody received the Mason County Sheriff Office Commendation in 2006 for actions taken during the arrest of multiple subjects during a breaking and entering in progress; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody has an active church and community life having served as a Church Elder, Sunday School Teacher, Youth Group Leader, youth football coach, and currently is a mentor at the Radiant Church of Ludington; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody followed his calling from 1984 to 1993 and worked as a missionary in Quebec, Canada, also worked on a short term mission trip to Honduras, and supported family members on their mission trips to Jamaica, Nicaragua, and the Dominican Republic; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody is retiring from his position in the Mason County Sheriff's Office.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason, does hereby, acknowledge with regret Jody's decision to retire from his position in the Mason County Sheriff's Office and offers him their best wishes in his future endeavors; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason, speaking for the citizens of the County of Mason and for themselves, offers their sincere thanks and gratitude for the dedication and professionalism that he has shown throughout his career; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution become a permanent part of the minutes of the May 15, 2018 County Commission proceedings. Moved for your approval.

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Charles Lange, Board Chairperson

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement taken from the proceedings of the Mason County Board of Commissioners' meeting of May 15, 2018.

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Cheryl Kelly, Mason County Clerk

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Motion by L. Squires and seconded by S. Hull to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, Mason County Sheriff Kim Cole is requesting the Mason County Boards of Commissioners approve the language of the following Ballot Proposition for the purpose of levying a millage for additional road patrol services;

**ADDITIONAL ROAD PATROL SERVICES**

For 8 years, between 2018 and 2025, shall the total taxable property rate limitation in Mason County be raised by .30 mil (30 cents for each \$1,000 of valuation) exclusively to be used to finance equipment, vehicles, operating, and personnel costs of four road patrol officers for the Mason County Sheriff's Office?

This is a new, additional millage authorization and if levied in its entirety, would raise an estimated \$564,143 in the first calendar year after its approval.

- Yes
- No

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Mason County Board of Commissioners approves the placement on the August 7, 2018 Election date a proposal providing for an increase of up to \$0.30 mills to finance equipment, vehicles, operating, and personnel costs of four road patrol officers; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners approves contributing \$150,000.00 towards the cost of adding the four road patrol officers; funds to come from the fund balance of the General Fund.

Moved for your approval.

A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Commissioner Taranko, Commissioner Lange, Commissioner Squires, Commissioner Hull, Commissioner Andersen, Commissioner Posma. Nays: None. Absent: Castonia.

Motion carried. (Signed) L. Squires

Motion by Public Safety and Courts Committee Chairman S. Hull and seconded by W. Taranko to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Mason County voters approved a millage of up to 0.82 mill in 1997 for the increased operating costs and debt service for the 1997 Jail Expansion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mason County voters approved a millage of up to 0.58 mill in 2008 for the increased operating costs for the 1997 Jail Expansion; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2008 millage for the increased operating costs expires in 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance, Personnel, & Rules Committee has determined that an operating millage of up to 0.58 mill is necessary to continue to operate the jail over the next 10 years; and

**WHEREAS**, legal counsel has recommended the following language for the millage request:

JAIL MILLAGE RENEWAL  
COUNTY OF MASON

This proposal will allow the county to levy millage to pay for operating expenses related to the 1997 Jail Expansion.

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes which may be assessed against real and tangible personal property in the County of Mason, Michigan be increased by up to 0.58 mills (\$0.58 per \$1,000) on the taxable valuation of such property, as finally equalized, for a period of ten (10) years 2018 through 2027, inclusive, for the purpose of paying the additional operating expenses related to the 1997 Jail Expansion, which increase will raise an estimated \$1,090,676 in 2018?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Yes
- \_\_\_\_\_ No

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves putting a jail operating millage renewal on the August ballot; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the ballot language recommended by legal counsel.

Moved for your approval.

Commissioner Posma noted that approval of this request is with regards to a renewal, that the Jail Operations millage is not a new request.

A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Commissioner Taranko, Commissioner Lange, Commissioner Squires, Commissioner Hull, Commissioner Andersen, Commissioner Posma. Nays: None. Absent: Castonia.

Motion carried. (Signed) S. Hull

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Mason County Local Emergency Planning Committee has applied for a FY 2017-18 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Michigan has awarded a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the County of Mason.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves accepting the FY 2017-18 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant and directs the Board Chair to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) S. Hull

Motion by S. Hull and seconded by T. Posma to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, Mason County supports the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) submission of an application for a project titled, "Skyline Trail Restoration" to the Land and Water Conservation Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the location of the proposed project is within the jurisdiction of Mason County; and

**WHEREAS**, with this resolution of support it is acknowledged that Mason County is not committing to any obligations; financial or otherwise.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason hereby supports submission of a Land and Water Conservation Fund Application for the Skyline Trail Restoration Project by the DNR.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) S. Hull

Motion by J. Andersen and seconded by L. Squires to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Mason County Council on Aging has requested that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason put on the ballot, for the Senior Citizen Centers and Programs in the County of Mason, for the August 7, 2018 primary election date a proposition for the Mason County voters providing for the 0.2979 mill maximum assessment for a period of six years.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following proposition be certified to the County Clerk for submission to the electors of the County of Mason at the August 7, 2018 primary election:

SENIOR CITIZEN MILLAGE PROPOSAL RENEWAL

Shall the limitation on taxes which may be assessed against all property in the County of Mason, State of Michigan, be increased by and the Mason County Board of Commissioners be authorized to levy an amount not to exceed .2979 of a mill (\$0.2979 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation) for the period of 6 years, 2018 to 2023, inclusively, for the purpose of providing funds for the operation, maintenance or renovation/expansion of Senior Centers and Senior Citizen programs in Mason County?

This levy will generate approximately \$560,194.00 in the 2018 calendar year.

The County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary steps to submit the propositions to the electors of the County at the August 7, 2018 primary election.

The County Clerk is further directed to cause a County Treasurer's statement to be published as a part of the required notices of election since the millage constitutes an increase in the 15 mill limitation of the 1963 Constitution, Article IX, Section 6.

All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Moved for your approval.

Commissioner Posma again noted that this is a renewal for the Senior Citizen Centers and Programs Millage not a new request.

A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Commissioner Taranko, Commissioner Lange, Commissioner Squires, Commissioner Hull, Commissioner Andersen, Commissioner Posma. Nays: None. Absent: Castonia.

Motion carried. (Signed) J. Andersen

Motion by J. Andersen and seconded by T. Posma to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the County approved requesting bids for the Obstruction Removal Project for Runways 8 and 19 at the Mason County Airport; and

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**WHEREAS**, Prein & Newhof Engineering and the Airport Manager are recommending approval of the low bid from Alpine Tree Service LLC.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the low bid from Alpine Tree Service LLC for the Obstruction Removal Project for Runways 8 and 19 at the Mason County Airport and directs the Board Chair to sign the necessary documents on their behalf.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) J. Andersen

Motion by Buildings, Planning, Drains, & Airport Committee Chairman T. Posma and seconded by W. Taranko to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

The Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee has audited the County’s claims dated April 5, 2018 totaling \$388,884.48 and April 19, 2018 totaling \$538,805.97; 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, W. Taranko, C. Lange

Motion by T. Posma and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, County Clerk Kelly is requesting authorization to purchase a shredder; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee is recommending the approval of this purchase from the Equipment Replacement Fund 402.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the purchase of a shredder; funds to come from the Equipment Replacement Fund 402.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) T. Posma

Motion by T. Posma and seconded by S. Hull to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Michigan Department of Transportation has offered a contract to reimburse the county for the design of documents to rehabilitate the apron and taxiway at the Mason County Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, under this contract the County of Mason will receive grants from the federal and state governments totaling \$29,165.00 out of a total project cost of \$30,700.00.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves Contract No. 2018-0406 for a Federal/State/Local Airport Project to reimburse the county for the design of documents to rehabilitate the apron and taxiway at the Mason County Airport and directs Board Chair Charles M. Lange to sign said contract; local share funds of \$1,535.00 to come from the Airport Improvement Fund #481.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) T. Posma

Motion by T. Posma and seconded by S. Hull to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, The following applications for Farmland (Act 116 of the Public Acts of 1974) have been filed with the County Clerk.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Section</u>
18-001	Robert & Teresa Malkowski	Free Soil	30
18-002	Robert & Teresa Malkowski	Free Soil	30
18-003	Robert & Teresa Malkowski	Free Soil	19

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the applications for Farmland (Act 116 of the Public Acts of 1974), in the County of Mason.

Moved for your approval.

Commissioner Andersen noted before the vote that she has a business relationship with the PA116 applicants- the Malkowski’s.

Motion carried. (Signed) T. Posma

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Motion by C. Lange and seconded by S. Hull to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

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

**WHEREAS**, stigma associated with mental illness, 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 recognize that stigma associated with mental illness, 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 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 2, 2018 to promote awareness and reduce stigma associated with mental illness, 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, developmental disabilities and substance use disorder in Mason County.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) C. Lange

Motion by C. Lange and seconded by L. Squires to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Mason County Sports Hall of Fame and Museum is a not-for-profit historical recognition institution dedicated to honoring those who have made outstanding contributions to our local sports; and

**WHEREAS**, this year, 2018, marks the 14th such class of individuals and teams to be inducted in its illustrious hall through its unveiling at Historic White Pine Village through a partnership with the Mason County Historical Society and an induction banquet at Lincoln Hills Golf and Country Club; and

**WHEREAS**, its Board of Directors has selected three former individual athletes and two teams to be inducted into the Mason County Sports Hall of Fame; and

**WHEREAS**, the 14th class of inductees includes **Duane Ingraham, Sr.**, who coached Mason County Central's boys basketball team to the Class C state tournament in 1966. Ingraham had two coaching stints with the Spartans, in the 1960s and in the 1980s, and he guided the teams to four district championships, a regional title and four West Michigan Conference titles. He was 143-81 in 10 seasons coaching the Spartans and earned the Muskegon Chronicle Coach of the Year. Before coming to Mason County, Ingraham, a Lakeview native, earned four letters in baseball and three letters in basketball from Central Michigan University; **Wally Schafer** is a 1957 graduate of Ludington High School where he set the state record in the mile run in 1956 with a time of 4:37.04. He was the state runner-up the following spring despite losing a shoe on the first lap. He earned four varsity letters and was the Orioles' track captain his senior year while also being named the All-Around Senior. He went to the University of Michigan on a track scholarship, and he ran four seasons on the Wolverines' cross country team. He medaled twice in the Big Ten championships and was three times on a Big Ten championship team. He also ran parts of three winning relays at the famed Penn Relays. While at Michigan, he earned the Yost Honor Award in 1961. He continued to compete into his 70s, whether it was 800-meter races or marathons or road biking; **Gale Tyndall** is a 1955 graduate of Custer High School where he excelled in track, basketball and baseball. He was an honorable mention All-State selection in basketball in 1955. In baseball, Tyndall could pitch with both hands, and he only lost two games in his high school career. The Detroit Tigers took notice, and the Major League franchise signed him. He played in the club's minor leagues for the Jamestown Falcons and the Panama City Fliers. Tyndall went on to be an outstanding fastpitch softball player, and he was inducted into the Mason County Softball Hall of Fame in 1995; the **2001 Mason County Eastern softball team** won the 2001 MHSAA Division 4 state championship with a 38-2 record. The team won district and regional championships and its conference. The team had two first-team All-State players. Members of the Cardinals were **Laura Herrera, Denise (Purple) Cory, Sara (Marek) Hilton, Emily (Heath) Rogers, Bernadette Battre, Jeanne (Cole) Miller, Kim (Marek) Stec, Amanda (Purple) Churchill, Jamie (Hansen) Sanders, Audrey (Olson) Gauthier, Kayla (VanSickle) Wolfe, Natasha (Mracna) Smith, Amanda (Saya) Genta, Anne Young and Angela (Boersen) Headley**. The Cardinals were coached by **Bill Cole** and assisted by **Kristy Stark**; the **2001 Ludington boys soccer team** won the 2001 MHSAA Division 3 soccer state championship with a 24-1-2 record. The Orioles won district and regional championships and its conference. The team had two first-team All-State players. The Orioles were coached by **Fred Horstman** and assisted by **Chad Horstman, Tim Bryant and Brad Reed**. Members of the team were **Joel Budreau, Landon McIntosh, Steve Massie, Zach Webster, Steve Castonia, Chris St. John, Rodrigo Maina, Kyle Sanders, Brian Damkoehler, Nick Albrecht, Brendan Keen, Michael Coon, Eric Carlson, Mark White, Joseph Urka, Lee Schwass, Bugi Schaffitzel, Paul Barnett, Chuck Spaniola, Kole Chavalia, Ryan Zwiefka, Paul Hector, Tom North and Blake Moore**. Managers were **John Lister and Danielle Gesswein**.

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**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason, does hereby declare June 30, 2018 as Mason County Sports Hall of Fame Day and that this resolution become a permanent part of the minutes of the May 15, 2018 County Commission proceedings; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason, speaking for the citizens of the County of Mason and for themselves, offers their sincere congratulations to the 2018 inductees to the Mason County Sports Hall of Fame. Moved for your approval.

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Charles M. Lange, Board Chairperson

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement taken from the proceedings of the Mason County Board of Commissioners' meeting of May 15, 2018.

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Cheryl Kelly, Mason County Clerk

Treasurer A. Kmetz presented the April 2018 Treasurer's Report. He also reported that the State of Michigan released a new Chart of Accounts that will need to be in place by December of 2018. He was happy to report that of the Delinquent Tax Funds that were previously borrowed, \$269,300 were paid off on May 14, 2018. Delinquent taxes outstanding for the 2017 calendar year are about the same as last years.

Clerk C. Kelly presented the April 2018 Clerk's Report. She thanked the commissioners for approving the purchase of the shredder. She noted the office is in full "election mode" at this time with training starting today at the City of Scottville. In addition, she will be demonstrating the new election equipment at the Free Soil Senior Center on May 24.

Administrator Knizacky noted that the County is in the process of completing the 2017 audit. He noted that the Planning Commission approved an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and this will go to the upcoming Buildings, Planning, Drains, and Airport Committee for review and hopefully to the full board at the June 2018 Board meeting.

Public Comment:

- Beth McGill, of Ludington, challenged the commissioners to look at diversifying the board as she felt that the young people of the community are not well represented and she encouraged the board to get younger people involved. She noted that the times of the meetings are not conducive to work schedules.

There was no other business.

With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

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CHERYL KELLY, COUNTY CLERK

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CHARLES LANGE, BOARD CHAIRMAN