

September 8, 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 J. Andersen. Pledge to the flag followed.

Motion by T. Posma and seconded by W. Taranko to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Hull and seconded by J. Andersen to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2015 regular meeting. Motion carried.

No correspondence was read.

Public Comment:

- Zack Vanfleet of Securus, the current inmate telephone provider of 12 years, wished to submit a phone proposal to the County at this time for the Mason County Sheriff Department.
- Armas Soorus and Joyce Durdel of the Little Manistee River Watershed Conservation Council (LMWCC) spoke to the Board of Commissioners and informed them of their wishes to include Mason County in creating a Little Manistee River Watershed Management Plan and give a history of the LMWCC. It was recommended by Commissioner VanderWall to have them attend the September 29, 2015 Buildings, Planning, Drains, and Airport Committee meeting.
- Brad Coens, representative of Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC, introduced himself and briefly reviewed his company's proposed contract and how it will impact the Mason County Sheriff Department.

Jordan Devries, District Manager of Mason-Lake Conservation District (MLCD), highlighted the 2014 activities of the MLCD. In addition, he touched on the Conservation District being awarded the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's (NFWF) Sustain our Great Lakes Grant in March of 2015, as well as highlighted the completion of the Custer Bridge project. A celebration will be held September 10th at 11 a.m. at the Custer Bridge.

Commissioner Taranko informed the Board that there will be an open house at the Mason-Oceana 911 Center on Saturday, September 19, 2015 in observance of their 20 year anniversary and encouraged all commissioners to attend.

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Mason County Emergency Management Coordinator Reimink has been approached to revive the Mason County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES); and

WHEREAS, the Mason County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service was previously active within the County and provided assistance during times of emergency.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners, of the County of Mason, approves the request to revive the Mason County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service and directs Coordinator Reimink to assist RACES in the process of becoming reinstated with the State of Michigan.

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, it is necessary to set the date for the annual Budget Work Session Meeting.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason establishes, October 1, 2015 at 7:00 PM, as the date and the time for the annual Budget Work Session Meeting.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) B. Carpenter

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Motion by B. Carpenter and seconded by T. Posma to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Mason County Jail received the support from the citizens of the County of Mason for a millage of up to 0.58 mill; and

WHEREAS, the Finance, Personnel, & Rules Committee is recommending that the Board of Commissioners levy 0.58 mill.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason instructs the County Clerk to certify the levy of 0.58 mill for the 2015 levy.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) B. Carpenter

Building, Planning, Drains, and Airport Committee Chairman C. VanderWall attended the Northern Michigan County Association meeting in Grayling. He reviewed the need for long term strategies for preservation and operating of local fish hatcheries in Michigan.

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan and the County of Mason have historically worked together to provide for Emergency Management Programs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the Emergency Management FY2016 Work Agreement/Report between the State of Michigan and the County of Mason for the fiscal year of October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016 and further directs the County Chair to sign said agreement.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) S. Hull

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Mason County Sheriff's Department provides telephone service for a fee to the inmates at the Mason County Jail; and

WHEREAS, Mason County Sheriff Kim Cole has negotiated a contract with Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC for inmate telephone service.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached contract with Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC for inmate telephone service at the Mason County Jail and directs the Board Chair to sign said contract.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) J. Andersen

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

The Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee has audited the County's claims dated August 13, 2015 totaling \$267,408.90, and August 27, 2015 totaling \$266,602.24; 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) B. Carpenter, C. Lange

Motion by T. Posma and seconded by B. Carpenter 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).

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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) T. Posma

Motion by T. Posma and seconded by B. Carpenter to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Finance, Personnel, & Rules Committee is recommending a levy of 0.003 mill for 2015 for the Soldiers & Sailors Relief Commission.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason requests the levy of 0.003 mill for 2015 for the Soldiers & Sailors Relief Commission and authorizes the County Clerk to certify the same.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) T. Posma

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Oakview Medical Care Facility received the support from the citizens of the County of Mason for millage of up to 0.9715 mill; and

WHEREAS, the Mason County Department of Human Services Board has the responsibility for the operation of Oakview Medical Care Facility; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mason requires notification each year of the amount of millage needed to be levied for the continued operation of Oakview Medical Care Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Mason County Department of Human Services Board has indicated a need for the 0.9715 mill to be levied.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mason County Department of Human Services Board requests the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason to levy 0.9715 mill for 2015 for the operation of Oakview Medical Care Facility and the County Clerk to certify the same.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) C. Lange

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

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Probate Judge Nellis is recommending the attached Child Care contract with the State of Michigan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason approves the attached Child Care contract with the State of Michigan; match funds to come from General Fund appropriations and the fund balance in the Child Care Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mason authorizes the County Chair and County Administrator to sign the County Child Care Budget Summary on their behalf.

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) C. Lange

Motion by Chairman Lange and seconded by T. Posma to approve the following resolution:

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Finance, Personnel, and Rules Committee has reviewed the transfers for September 8, 2015.

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

Jail Operations	\$122,000.00
Equipment Replacement	\$ 8,525.00
Pension, Health, & Life Insurance	\$ 50,000.00

Moved for your approval.

Motion carried. (Signed) C. Lange

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Deputy Treasurer Andrew Kmetz presented the August 2015 Treasurer's report. The first foreclosure sale was held on August 22, 2015 and 22 properties were sold. Six properties will be sent to the second sale in October.

Clerk Cheryl Kelly presented the August 2015 Clerk's Report. There will be no November election as nothing was submitted to put on a ballot.

Administrator Knizacky noted that he is finalizing the 2016 Budget. Please contact him or the Finance, Rules & Personnel Committee if you have any questions or concerns regarding the 2016 final budget.

Public comment: There was no public comment.

Any Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

CHERYL KELLY, COUNTY CLERK

CHARLES LANGE, BOARD CHAIRMAN