

# **Crawford County Board of Commissioners**

## **Regular Board Meeting of June 25, 2020**

The Regular Virtual Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Shelly Pinkelman, at 10:00 a.m. in the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan the 25th day of June, 2020.

Invocation by Commissioner Jamison.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Lewis.

Roll Call: Pinkelman, Jamison, Jansen, Lewis, McClain and Priebe.

Absent – Powers.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk-Register of Deeds - Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present.

Others present at various times: Shawn Kraycs, Candice Braddock, Frances Whitney, Kate Wagner, Elaine Caverson, Dustin Sinkes, Julie Darnton, Mary Stewart-Green and Dan Sanderson.

### **Approval of the Regular Board Minutes**

Motion by McClain, second by Jamison, to approve the Minutes of the May 28, 2020 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Roll Call: Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Motion Carried.

### **Approval of the Special Board Minutes**

Motion by Jamison, second by McClain, to approve the Minutes of the June 10, 2020 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Roll Call: Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Jamison – aye, Motion Carried.

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion by McClain, second by Jansen, to accept the agenda as presented. Roll Call: Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye Motion Carried.

**Conflict of Interest Declare** – None.

### **Brief Public Comment**

Mary Stewart-Green announced she is a candidate running for County Clerk/Register of Deeds.

### **Approval Correspondence**

Motion by Priebe, second by Lewis, to accept the correspondence as presented. Roll Call: McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye, Motion Carried.

### **Correspondence**

1. Ingham County Board – Resolution to Declare Racism as a Public Health Crisis in the County of Ingham.
2. Kalkaska County Board – Resolution to move Kalkaska County forward through the State of Emergency Order.
3. Livingston County Board – Resolution in Support of the Request to Reclassify Livingston County Board.
4. Medical Examiner’s Office – Monthly Report.
5. Commissioners Powers – Request for participation with CPSAP.
6. Sandra Woods – Request Reappointment to COA.

### **Candice Braddock, Enbridge Senior Community Engagement Advisor – Enbridge Update**

Candice Braddock, Enbridge Senior Community Engagement Advisor advised Enbridge has been operating in Michigan for 65 years. The underground pipeline system is a vital link to secure and reliable North American energy and supports the communities in which we operate. 1.74 miles of pipeline Right-of-way in Crawford County. Enbridge has a community investment in the Grayling Highschool FIRST Robotics Team. Enbridge has Tax benefits of \$205,000 annually in Crawford County; Enbridge has 44% of homes in Crawford County and 300,000

Michigan households. Ms. Braddock advised Line 5 has delivered for more than 65 years to heat Michigan homes, schools, hospitals and business, fuels vehicles and powers industry by safely and reliably transporting light crude oil, light synthetic crude oil and natural gas liquids. The Economic Impact will enhance environmental protections while continuing to meet the fuel and other energy needs on which area families, businesses, manufacturers, and tourism, rely. Line 5 has the capacity to transport 540,000 barrels per day of crude oil and natural gas liquids that are refined into the gasoline, diesel fuels and propane which are vital to all who live & work in Michigan communities. Ms. Braddock requested a Resolution in Support of Line 5 Tunnel.

### **Resolution in Support of Line 5 Tunnel through Crawford County**

Motion by Jansen, second by Lewis, to request the commissioners review the option to adopt a Resolution in Support of Line 5 Tunnel, and bring the issue back to the next board meeting. Roll Call: McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye Motion Carried.

### **Frances Whitney – NEMSCA Update**

Frances Whitney identified this as her 4<sup>th</sup> year presenting the Board with NEMSCA updates. NEMSCA has 29 active agencies in Michigan serving 11 northeast Michigan counties covering 6,300 square miles. Ms. Whitney indicated NEMSCA provides quality programs and services to strengthen and enhance the self-sufficiency of individuals, families and communities through the best use of human and financial resources, focusing on those who are experiencing an economic hardship. Ms. Whitney reviewed the financials through over 30 programs. The program impact with volunteer local resident Heidi Powers honored at the State Capitol (1 of 5 people in the State) for her extraordinary commitment to the Agency on Aging. CARES funding program can be reached through 989-358-4629 or e-mail @ [thomank@nemcsa.org](mailto:thomank@nemcsa.org).

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Regular Board Meeting Schedule**

Commissioner Priebe requested the remainder of the regular board meeting schedule for 2020 be changed to Zoom meetings.

Motion by Priebe, second by Jamison, to change the regular board meetings to Zoom meetings at 10:00 a.m. for the remainder of 2020. Roll Call: Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Motion Carried.

### **Department Reports**

#### **Treasurer Report**

#### **Deposit & Investment Schedule**

Motion by McClain, second by Jansen, to adopt the Depository and Investment Resolution to authorize the County Treasurer to deposit all public monies and invest funds with appropriate institutions legally permitted by State Statute Act No. 20. Roll Call: Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Motion Carried.

### **Annual Report of Balance in Land Sale Reutilization Fund**

Kate Wagner, County Treasurer indicated the report is to be presented to the Board no later than June 30<sup>th</sup> the second calendar year after foreclosure. No funds available to transfer pending litigation.

Motion by McClain, second by Lewis, to accept the Annual Report of Balance in Land Sale Reutilization Fund as presented by the County Treasurer. Roll Call: Powers – absent, Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Motion Carried.

County Treasurer Wagner advised the County Auditor requested the Impressed Cash Report (petty cash) be approved by the county board.

Motion by Jansen, second by Lewis, to authorize the Board to set the various department Impressed Cash Report as presented by the County Treasurer. Roll Call: Jamison – aye, Jansen – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Motion Carried.

### **Sheriff Report**

Sheriff Shawn Kraycs announced the new Undersheriff Ryan Swope has been sworn in, and his detective position will remain absent until after the election. Sheriff Kraycs announced Anthony Minnich is a new road deputy.

STING had a sizeable METH bust with several thousand dollars seized.

The Sheriff is asking residents to slow down on secondary roads. "Hey Neighbor Slow Down - Speed Limit 25" signs will be placed in resident subdivisions. Police officers are not giving warnings and will be writing tickets in an effort to slow people down.

The climate at the sheriff's office is proactive with technology on every counter. There is still a need for body cams as it proves that officers are professional. Cameras were installed on patrol cars and used, however, there is a need now for body cams. May need 6 ranging from \$750 to \$3,500 per unit, It is a perfect tool and the department will have a compliance policy written.

### **Clerk/Register Report**

#### **Board Appointed Terms**

#### **Veterans Service Council**

County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore advised the Veterans Service Council position received no interest, however, Rick Anderson submitting his re-appointment request the end of May.

Motion by Jansen, second by Jamison, to reappoint Rick Anderson to the Veterans Service Council for a 3 year term ending 6-30-2023. Roll Call: Jansen - aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Powers – absent, Jamison, Motion Carried.

The Clerk/Register further advised the Commission on Aging applications are due July 6<sup>th</sup> (advertised 2 weeks ago) and will be placed on the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda.

The Clerk indicated the Transportation Authority has a position (Gayle Desprez) up the end of June. The Clerk spoke with Director Julee Dean and awaiting direction.

Also, the Brownfield Authority has 4 positions (Joe Wakeley, Erich Podjaske, April Hehir & Paul Compo) up July 1<sup>st</sup>, and will be advertised for very soon.

### **Controller Report**

#### **Funded Ratio Executive Summary & Actuarial**

Controller Compo advised the MERS Actuary fund percentage dropped 6% and is no longer 100% funded. The Controller indicated he would need to send \$980k back to be 100% funded. Results prior to 2018 were received directly from the prior actuary or extracted from the previous valuation system by MERS's technology service provider.

Controller Compo remarked on the Actuarial liabilities and assets as of December 31, 2019.

### **Grayling Recreational Authority Millage Proposal**

Controller Compo advised the proposal has been approved by Bond Counsel and GRA.

Motion by Priebe, second by McClain, to authorize the County Clerk to place the following Grayling Recreational Authority Millage Proposal on the November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 General Election ballot:

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed on real and tangible personal property for all purposes in any one year under Article IV, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased in the county of Crawford by 0.4845 (\$.4845 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value of all such property) for a period of Eight (8) years, 2021 through 2028 inclusive, for the purpose of maintaining recreational facilities and activities in Crawford County. Shall the County of Crawford be authorized to levy such millage for said purpose?

The amount of revenue the county will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the County in the first year is estimated to be \$281,946.00. The proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized millage, the revenue from which will be disbursed to the Grayling Recreational Authority and, to the extent required by law, a portion of such millage revenue will be captured by and disbursed to the Crawford County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and Sawmill Lofts Neighborhood Enterprise Zone No. 1.

Roll Call: Jamison -aye, Jansen - aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Powers – aye, Priebe – aye, Motion Carried.

### **Committee Meetings**

**Consensus** to hold committee meetings through ZOOM on Wednesday's beginning with July 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. until further notice as the Governor extended the Executive Order through July. Budget presentations with departments to be held on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

Controller Compo advised the work share program is in place with everything going well and first certification on Monday.

The Controller announced he will need to collect I-pads after the next meeting as I.T. Right will assign each I-Pad its own cloud account on July 21<sup>st</sup> and hope to clear up some anomalies.

Camp Grayling council met on June 16<sup>th</sup> and Troop days are significantly down and Northern Strick will be significantly down with regards to the number of participants. SCTC will have around 600 people vs 3 to 4,000, and some trainings have rescheduled down with regards to the number of participants. Animal Control has 49 feral cats processed so far in the spay & neuter grant program.

MSU Extension District Director Julie Darnton introduced herself as she has replaced Michele Warner and indicated she will provide an Annual Report in the near future.

### **Commissioner's Report**

**Commissioner Jamison** – The Commissioner has attended a couple zoom meetings.

**Commissioner Priebe** - The Commissioner advised Jody Coors position will be up in October on the Library Board.

**Commissioner Pinkelman** - The Commissioner advised she is unable to attend the Health Department meeting tomorrow.

**Commissioner McClain** – The Commissioner has attended several zoom meetings.

**Commissioner Jansen**- The Commissioner indicated she attended a remote NEMCOG meeting on 6/18. MDOT has Paser ratings to be completed for federal-aid roads. Local roads are able to be rated upon request. ASER ratings for rated roads. Couple contracts received. I-75 interchange program applied. MEDC grant and several other being reviewed. Working with City for DCIP trailhead Grant.

Administrative - office closed till fall likely. Steve Schnell took another job. Contracted jobs out. Erich Podjaske from City of Grayling is helping out under a six month staff sharing agreement. JLUS Implementation Grant was completed and contract received. Tasks involve increased information and educational dissemination via websites, forums (when able) and tours. Planning and Zoning to develop overlay zones for prevention of encroachment from development will be implemented in key townships. The Grayling Transportation I-75 Interchange Study that was completed many years ago will be updated.

A Non-Competitive EDA- COVID Response grant was released in early May. NEMCOG applied for \$400,000 to assist in small business recovery measures that involves providing technical support to Economic Development Organizations in the region

MEDC Small Business Relief Fund (SBRF) Grants: NEMCOG reached out to Target Alpena and the Otsego County Economic Alliance to apply for and administer SBRF grants to small businesses in the 11 County CDC Region. Both organizations received \$200,000 each and did an excellent job with organizing selection committees, developing grant criteria reviewing/selecting awardees, distributing the funds follow-up. It was an arduous process, completed in record time! Collaboration was key and the commissioner was impressed with the caliber of the Directors and partners that participated in this!

Hazard Mitigation Plans are all drafted with half being reviewed by the State.

The NE/NW MI Nonmotorized Map is being drafted by D. Cline. She is also working on zoning and master plan project

**Commissioner Powers** – The Commissioner was absent.

**Commissioner Lewis** – The Commissioner advised he has nothing to report.

### **New Business**

#### **Gypsy Moth**

Commissioner Lewis indicated he has received calls inquiring the county to implement a Gypsy Moth Suspension Program. Roscommon County has a millage and the township could request a special assessment district for spraying. More information to follow.

**Extended Public Comment** – None.

**Announcements** – None.

**Adjournment**

Chairperson Pinkelman adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

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Shelly Pinkelman, Chairperson  
Board of Commissioners

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Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds