

Muskegon County
Board of Commissioners
Hall of Justice, 990 Terrace, 4th Floor
Muskegon, MI 49442

Benjamin E. Cross, Chairman
Marvin Engle
Gary Foster
Susie Hughes
Kenneth Mahoney

Charles Nash, Vice Chair
Robert Scolnik
I. John Snider II
Rillastine R. Wilkins

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Full Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 14, 2018
4:00 p.m.

Chairman Benjamin E. Cross, Presiding

The Full Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chairman Cross. A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Mahoney and recited in unison.

Roll Call

Present: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

Excused: Marvin Engle

Also Present: Mark Eisenbarth, Administrator
Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk
Zaneta Adams, with Williams/Hughes, PLLC Corporate Council
Brienne Rodgers, Intern

2018-281 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA ADDING A PRESENTATION BY SHERIFF MICHAEL POULIN RE: K9 UNIT AND ADDING TO THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT, REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFF FORTENBACHER TO THE HEALTHWEST BOARD**

Moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the agenda adding a Presentation by Sheriff Michael Poulin Re: K9 Unit and adding to the Chairman's Report, Reappointment of Jeff Fortenbacher to the HealthWest Board.

Voice vote

Motion Carried

2018-282 **APPROVE THE OPEN AND CLOSED MINUTES OF THE FULL BOARD MEETING OF JULY 31, 2018.**

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the Open and Closed Minutes of the Full Board Meeting of July 31, 2018.

Voice vote

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT (on an agenda item)

There was no public comment on an agenda item.

PRESENTATION

Michael Poulin, County Sheriff, discussed the K9-Unit Handlers and how proud he is of the community organizations for helping each other out.

Kevin Nieboer, President of the Greater Muskegon Kennel Club, discussed the importance of K9's community involvement and finding missing people. The Greater Muskegon Kennel Club awarded Deputy Jamie Ottinger with a check of \$16,255.00. This amount will go towards a new dog and training.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following items were provided to Commissioners for information: (See Attachment)

- A. Kalkaska Board of Commissioners Resolution: Opposition to HB 1031
- B. Sanilac County Board of Commissioners Resolution: Opposition to SB 1031

COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

2018-283 **ACCEPT THROUGH THE 2019 MICHIGAN STATE POLICE – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY DIVISION (EMPG) REIMBURSEMENT FOR UP TO 35.69% OF THE MUSKEGON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR'S SALARY AND FRINGE BENEFITS.**

CPS18/08-36

The Courts and Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to accept through the 2019 Michigan State Police – Emergency Management & Homeland Security Division (EMPG) reimbursement for up to 35.69% of the Muskegon County Emergency Services Director's salary and fringe benefits.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-284 **ACCEPT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR MUSKEGON COUNTY'S GRANT OF \$21,350 FOR THE 60TH DISTRICT COURT EVICTION PREVENTION PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF 9/10/18 THROUGH 9/9/19 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD CHAIR TO SIGN THE GRANT AGREEMENT**

CPS18/08-37

The Courts and Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to accept the Community Foundation for Muskegon County's Grant of \$21,350 for the 60th District Court Eviction Prevention Program for the period of 9/10/18 through 9/9/19 and to authorize the Board Chair to sign the Grant Agreement.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-285 **APPROVE THE DECREASE IN FUNDING FROM MEDIATION & RESTORATIVE SERVICE FROM \$62,400.00 TO \$45,850.00**

CPS18/08-38

The Courts and Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to approve the decrease in funding from Mediation & Restorative Service from \$62,400.00 to \$45,850.00.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-286 **APPROVE THE SHERIFF TO SELL THREE USED VEHICLES FROM THE FLEET AND PURCHASE A USED ADMINISTRATION VEHICLE AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$14,000**

CPS18/08-39

The Courts and Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to approve the Sheriff to sell three used vehicles from the fleet and purchase a used administration vehicle at a cost not to exceed \$14,000.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-287 **APPROVE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO APPLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 SECONDARY ROAD PATROL GRANT FROM THE OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY PLANNING**

CPS18/08-40

The Courts and Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to approve the Sheriff's Office to apply for the fiscal year 2019 Secondary Road Patrol grant from the Office of Highway Safety Planning.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-288 **APPROVE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF MUSKEGON, CITY OF MUSKEGON HEIGHTS AND THE COUNTY OF MUSKEGON FOR THE FY2018 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT AWARD PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD CHAIR TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM**

CPS18/08-41

The Courts and Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Muskegon, City of Muskegon Heights and the County of Muskegon for the FY2018 Justice Assistance Grant Award Program and authorize the Board Chair to sign the memorandum.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

Commissioner Hughes reported that the Human Services Committee was cancelled for August 7, 2018, due to lack of action items.

2018-289 **APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF \$3,175,099.17, COVERING THE PERIOD OF JULY 13, 2018 THROUGH JULY 26, 2018 FOR CHECKS AND JUNE 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 FOR P-CARD PAYMENTS, AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

WM18/08 - 87

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to approve payment of the accounts payable of \$3,175,099.17, covering the period of July 13, 2018 through July 26, 2018 for checks and June 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 for P-Card payments, as presented by the County Clerk.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-290 **AMEND THE FY2018 BUDGET AS PRESENTED**

WM18/08-88

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to amend the FY2018 budget as presented.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-291 **APPROVE THE FY2019 BUDGET HEARING SCHEDULE AS PRESENTED**

WM18/08-89

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to approve the FY2019 Budget Hearing Schedule as presented.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-292 **APPROVE SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR THE FY2019 PROPOSED MUSKEGON COUNTY BUDGET FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M. AT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ROOM ON THE 4TH FLOOR OF THE MICHAEL E. KOBZA HALL OF JUSTICE AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 26, 2018**

WM18/08-90

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to approve setting the Public Hearing date for the FY2019 Proposed Muskegon County Budget for Thursday, September 6, 2017 at 4:00 P.M. at the Board of Commissioners room on the 4th floor of the Michael E. Kobza Hall of Justice and to authorize the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing in a newspaper of general circulation on or before August 26, 2018.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

2018-293 **AWARD THE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AUCTION SERVICES BID TO MIEDEMA AUCTIONEERING INC. AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO NEGOTIATE A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH OPTION FOR TWO (2) ONE-YEAR RENEWALS PURSUANT TO THE TERMS IN THE RFP AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR SIGN THE SAME CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL OF CORPORATE COUNSEL**

WM18/08-91

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to award the Surplus Equipment Auction Services bid to Miedema Auctioneering Inc. and authorize staff to negotiate a one-year contract with option for two (2) one-year renewals pursuant to the terms in the RFP and authorize the Chair sign the same contingent upon approval of Corporate Counsel.

Roll Call:

Yes: Benjamin E. Cross, Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: None

Motion Carried

Excused: Marvin Engle

Commissioner Hughes asked if there was a way to get a copy of the fiscal year 2018 budget where all the finances for each department is shown together.

Beth Dick, finance director/Assistant County Administrator said that she would meet with her after the meeting to make sure that she gets the information requested.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT/COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Chairman Cross announced the following upcoming events:

- A. 8th Annual Health, Wellness & Recovery Fair: Thursday, August 16th
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. - Hackley Park
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2018-health-wellness-recovery-fair-exhibitor-registration-tickets-46881915070>
- B. Arts & Drafts Festival: Friday, August 17th and Saturday, August 18th
Ross Park, Norton Shores
<http://www.shoresartsanddrafts.com/>
- C. Moose Fest 2018: Saturday, August 18th – Heritage Landing
<https://visitmuskegon.org/event/moose-fest-2/>

2018-294 **REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFF FORTENBACHER TO THE HEALTHWEST BOARD (TERM 4/1/2018 – 3/31/2021)**

The Chairman recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to reappoint Jeff Fortenbacher to the HealthWest Board (term 4/1/2018 – 3/31/2021).

Voice Vote.

Motion Carried

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Eisenbarth announced that the Proposed FY18/19 Budgets for Solid Waste, Regional Water System and Wastewater will be presented at the Board of Public Works Meeting on Thursday, August 16th.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Hughes announced that she attended the Senior Millage meeting on August 14th. She said that there are new services being created and more people are being served. She noted a few people in the community have backed off on their donations due to the Senior Millage, even though this millage was supposed to increase those donations. She said that things are going well.

Commissioner Mahoney agreed with Commissioner Hughes adding that the senior programs are spreading through the county, even to rural areas.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT (on a non-agenda item)

Josie James, representing Promote the Vote. discussed the Michigan state wide resolution. She stated that beginning March 4th petitions were circulated and on July 9th 435,000 Michigan signatures were submitted to the Secretary of State. She presented six things that Promote the Vote will cover:

- allow Michigan residents to have a secret ballot,
- make sure the military receives an absentee ballot in enough time to vote,
- make straight party voting an option,
- automatically register Michigan residents to vote,
- give access to absentee ballots for any reason, and
- make sure all election results are audited.

Ms. James thanked Commissioners for allowing her to speak and asked for their support of a resolution for Promote the Vote.

Chairman Cross indicated they will review the information provided.

2018-295 **MOVED BY COMMISSION MAHONEY, SECONDED BY COMMISSION
CROSS, TO ADJOURN**

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk

NAW/bkr

To be approved at the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 28, 2018.

**Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners
Resolution 2018-36**

**Opposition to Senate Bill 1031, A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled, "The general property tax act," (MCL 211.1 to 211.155)
by adding section 9p**

At a Regular Meeting July 18, 2018:

WHEREAS, Senate Bill (SB) 1031 seeks to amend the General Property Tax Act to exempt qualified utility personal property from the collection of taxes under the Act; and

WHEREAS, "Qualified utility personal property" under the Act would include both of the following utility personal property: electric transmission and distribution systems, substation equipment, spare parts, gas distribution systems, water transmission and distribution systems, gas storage equipment, and transmission lines of gas or oil transporting companies; that was initially installed in the State after December 31, 2017; and


WHEREAS, SB 1031 in its present form as introduced on May 29, 2018, will impose a financial burden on Kalkaska County and its local units, as it will not only reduce personal property tax revenues in 2019, but every year thereafter those annual losses will continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, SB 1031 was reported favorably by the Senate Committee on Finance without amendment for immediate effect to the Committee of the Whole on June 6, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners does hereby oppose SB 1031.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will be forwarded to all counties in Michigan, State Representative Curt Vanderwall, State Senator Darwin Booher, Governor Rick Snyder, the Michigan Townships Association, the Michigan Municipal League, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

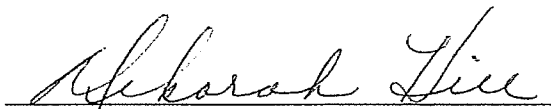
Motion by Fisher. Supported by Crambell. Roll call vote: Fisher, yes; Crambell, yes; Bicum, yes; Comai, yes; Cox, yes; Sweet, yes; McKinnon, yes. 7 yeas. 0 nays. Carried


Stuart McKinnon, Chair of
Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of Kalkaska County, Kalkaska, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of certain proceedings taken by the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners of said municipality at a Regular Meeting held on July 18, 2018 relative to adoption of the resolution therein set forth; that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
County of Kalkaska)

July 18, 2018


Deborah Hill, County Clerk

SANILAC COUNTY
RESOLUTION
OPPOSE SENATE BILL 1031
UTILITY PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

WHEREAS, Senate Bill (SB) 1031 seeks to amend the General Property Tax Act to exempt qualified utility personal property from the collection of taxes under the Act; and

WHEREAS, “Qualified utility personal property” under the Act would include both the following utility personal property: electric transmission and distribution systems, substation equipment, spare parts, gas distribution systems, water transmission and distribution systems, gas storage equipment, and transmission lines of gas or oil transporting companies; that was initially installed in the State after December 31, 2017; and

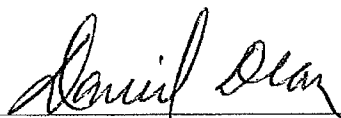
WHEREAS, SB 1031 in its present form as introduced on May 29, 2018, will impose a financial burden on Sanilac County, as it will not only reduce personal property tax revenues in 2019, but every year thereafter those annual losses will continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, SB 1031, if exempting all existing eligible utility personal property, would have a revenue loss of \$76.6 million in State Education Tax revenue to the School Aid Fund and a revenue loss of \$576.3 million to local units of government.

WHEREAS, SB 1031 was reported favorably by the Senate Committee on Finance without amendment for immediate effect to the Committee of the Whole on June 6, 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Sanilac County opposes SB 1031.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will be forwarded to all counties in Michigan, State Representative 83rd District Shane Hernandez, State Senator 31st District Phil Pavlov, Governor Richard Snyder and the Michigan Township Association.



Daniel Dean, Chairman