MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Monroe County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 by electronic video/teleconference via Zoom Meeting pursuant to the Michigan Public Health Department's orders. Chairman Brant called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call by Deputy Clerk, Lisa Sanders, as follows:

PRESENT		ABSENT
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters	David Hoffman
Dawn Asper	David Swartout	
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.	
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens	

A quorum being present, the Board proceeded to conduct business.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. OPENING PRAYER

Deputy Clerk, Lisa Sanders led the Opening Prayer.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Asper, supported by Commissioner Swartout to approve the March 2, 2021 agenda as presented.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout			
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens			

Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (02/16/2021 Regular Meeting Minutes)

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, supported by Commissioner Jondro to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021 Regular Meeting as presented and waive the reading thereof.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout			
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens			

Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

VIII. RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL TRIBUTES & PRESENTATION

1. Letter dated February 26, 2021 from Ms. Donna Kuti, Central Dispatch Director requesting consideration for a proposed Resolution Concerning 911 Fee Diversion.

   Ms. Kuti explained the Federal Communications Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that was adopted on February 17, 2021 in regards to 911 fee (surcharge) diversion and the reason for the request for the Resolution Concerning 911 Fee Diversion. Discussion commenced and questions were answered.

   Motion by Commissioner Swartout, seconded by Commissioner Asper to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the Resolution Concerning 911 Fee Diversion.

   Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout			
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens			

   Motion carried.

2. Presentation of Monroe County, Michigan Fire Paging Analysis and Recommendation by Mr. Dominick Arcuri, PE, Project Manager, and Mr. Rick Burke Project Sponsor, Televate Consulting. Project scope overview is as follows:
   - Project Plan and Initiation Meeting
   - Data Gathering and System Baseline
   - Paging System Coverage Assessment
   - Infrastructure Options and Cost Projections
   - Summary Report
     - Televate recommends Monroe County transition to MPSCS paging
     - Televate also recommends reviewing and confirming Storm Plan/Backup Scenarios

- Next Steps:
  - Document all pager and fire alerting requirements for MPSCS
  - Source a qualified vendor to procure the pager and fire alerting equipment and to program and install the new equipment
  - Work with the MPSCS to establish talkgroups for each fire department/station to be alerted
  - Train dispatchers on use of the new paging talkgroups
  - Perform/oversee user training of the new paging equipment
  - Manage the programming, installation and distribution of the new pagers and fire alerting equipment, and
  - Coordinate the cut-over to the new paging system for each fire department
- Recommendation by Central Dispatch Director & Administrator/Chief Financial Officer
  - Accept the Fire Paging Analysis and Recommendation from Televate & authorize the Central Dispatch Director & Administrator/CFO to implement the recommendation to move fire paging to the MPSCS network, procure 380 new Unication G4 pagers with chargers, coordinate programming & cutovers & fund the capital cost as recommended.

Discussion commenced and questions were answered.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, seconded by Commissioner Jondro to accept the Fire Paging Analysis and Recommendations and authorize the Central Dispatch Director and Administrator/Chief Financial Officer to proceed and take the necessary actions to implement the recommendations of provided by consultant Televate.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout			
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens			

Motion carried.

IX. FINANCE MATTERS

1. Approval of the 03/03/2021 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of $245,084.36

   Motion by Commissioner Asper, seconded by Commissioner Lemasters to accept the 03/03/2021 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report for $245,084.36

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout			
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens			

Motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Non-Claims
   a. Check Register dated 02/19/2021 in the amount of $382,773.49
   b. Check Register dated 02/26/2021 in the amount of $217,859.72

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, seconded by Commissioner Lievens to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

Board Action:

1. Monroe Community Mental Health Authority
   a. Letter dated February 23, 2021 from Mr. Charles Londo, Chairman, Monroe Community Mental Health Authority, requesting the reappointment of Mr. David Stephens, Ms. Sandra Libstorff, and Mr. Randy Richardville to the Monroe Community Mental Health Authority for three (3) year terms commencing on April 1, 2021 and ending on March 31, 2024. Mr. Charles Londo whose term ends March 31, 2021 has consented to not extend his term for an additional three (3) years.
   b. Monroe Community Mental Health Authority Roster

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, seconded by Commissioner Moore to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the request to reappoint Mr. David Stephens, Ms. Sandra Libstorff and Mr. Randy Richardville to the Monroe Community Mental Health Authority for three (3) year terms commencing on April 1, 2021 and ending on March 31, 2024.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout			
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens			

Motion carried.

XII. PUBLIC HEARINGS—None

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on County Response to COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency

Public Health

Ms. Kim Comerzan, Public Health Director gave an overview of the Health Department's role and response to the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency.

- Total cases: 8,568
- Average new cases= 16.7 cases per day
- Positivity rate is 3.1%.
- Hospital is not at capacity
- Vaccination efforts continue. 10,542 doses given of the vaccine
- No phone issues. Plenty of staff answering phones and making appointments.
- Johnson & Johnson will be added to the lineup of vaccinations. It will require only one shot unlike the other vaccine manufacturers.

Jail & Law Enforcement Operations

Captain Julie Massengill, Jail Administrator, Monroe County Sheriff's Office discussed the Sheriff's Office's response to the Covid-19 Pandemic Emergency.

- Continue to navigate through the Covid 19 protocols

County Operations

Mr. Michael Bosanac, Administrator/Chief Financial Officer discussed County's response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

- Things are going well

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Letter dated February 23, 2021 from Mr. Michael Bosanac, Administrator/Chief Financial Officer transmitting forty-one (41) goals proposed for Board of Commissioners to accept for 2021-2022 years. Click here for proposed 2021-2022 Goals.

Chairman Brant read the request into the record.

Motion by Commissioner Asper, seconded by Commissioner Moore to accept the proposed 2021-2022 Board of Commissioners goals and to authorize the staff assigned to the respective goals to commence action on achieving goal attainment and periodically report progress on achieving the goals to the Board including a year-end summary report of the status of each goal.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	

Dawn Asper	David Swartout			
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens			

Motion carried.

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT—
Katybeth Davis, LaPlaisance Road, Monroe followed up on her petition regarding moving the President Monroe statue from in front of the Monroe County Courthouse.

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS—Mr. Bosanac commented on the 2021-2022 Goals. Some are underway and some have already been accomplished. Will report periodically to the Board on progress.

XVII. MEMBERS TIME—
Commissioner Asper—It's my honor to serve with all of you.

Commissioner Swartout—Thank you to Kim (Comerzan) and her staff for hanging in there this past year. Thank you Donna (Kuti) and Rick and Dominick for their presentations. They were very informative. It's a pleasure to work with everyone here.

Commissioner Lemasters—Jail appears to be doing a really good job with the safety protocols for Covid.

Commissioner Moore—Pass

Commissioner Jondro—Great job to everybody

Commissioner Lievens—Echo what everyone said but especially, Commissioner Asper and Commissioner Swartout.

Commissioner Richardville—Pass

Commissioner Brant—Thank you to Televate. I hope what we have put in motion tonight will solve the communication problem finally. Would be refreshing if this is the solution.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT
With no further business to discuss, Chairman Brant adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.