

MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 15, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Monroe County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting in the Board Chambers in the City of Monroe on Tuesday, June 15, 2021. Chairman Brant called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT		ABSENT
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters	David Hoffman (excused)
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

Chairman Richardville led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. OPENING PRAYER

Deputy Clerk, Lisa Sanders led the Opening Prayer.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, supported by Commissioner Lemasters to approve the June 15, 2021 agenda as presented.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (06/01/2021 Regular Meeting Minutes)

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, supported by Commissioner Swartout to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2021 Regular Meeting as presented and waive the reading thereof.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT—

1. Andy Clark, Director, Monroe County Museum System, 126 Monroe Street, announced that the Monroe County Museum System received a Platinum Award, for the “This is Where” film that was done as a promotion for the Museum System. It’s

on the Museum System's social media page. Hopefully in the next month or so it can be presented to you in person.

VIII. RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL TRIBUTES & PRESENTATION

1. Resolution recognizing June 29, 2021 as Prescription Drug Abuse & Red Med Box Awareness and Education Day

Resolution offered by Commissioner Brant, Chairman, supported by Commissioner Richardville, Vice-Chairman, to adopt the Resolution Recognizing June 29, 2021 as Prescription Drug Abuse & Red Med Box Awareness and Education Day.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

2. Resolution recognizing Monroe County as a great place to vacation and recreate.

Resolution offered by Commissioner Lievens, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to adopt the Resolution Recognizing Monroe County, Michigan's Cornerstone as a great place to Vacation, "Staycation" and Recreate.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

IX. FINANCE MATTERS

1. Approval of the 06/16/2021 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$1,220,440.70

Motion by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Asper to accept the 06/16/2021 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report for \$1,220,440.70.

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 06/04/2021 in the amount of \$305,109.16
 - b. Check Register dated 06/11/2021 in the amount of \$1,212,304.41

Motion by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Swartout to approve the Consent 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.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

Board Action:

1. Letter dated June 10, 2021 from Ms. Crystal Comer, Accountant, Monroe County Finance Department, requesting approval to accept the FY 2020 Operation Stonegarden grant in the amount of \$105,905 from the United States Department of Homeland Security. This grant is a continuation of funding from Homeland Security to benefit local agencies with border patrol. There are no local funding requirements with this grant.

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, seconded by Commissioner Moore to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the request to accept the FY 2020 Operation Stonegarden grant in the amount of \$105,905 from the United States Department of Homeland Security with no local funding required.

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. Letter dated June 10, 2021 from Hon. Michael Brown, Presiding Judge, Monroe County Veterans Treatment Court, regarding the Court's grant application to the State Court Administrative Office for FY2022 grant funding of the Veterans Court in an amount up to \$28,000, and local contribution of \$13,946 for electronic monitoring devices, payroll services and probation officer wages/fringes and other costs not covered by the grant. An additional appropriation of \$3,493 would be required in the 2021 budget, with the balance of \$10,453 to be included in the 2022 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, seconded by Commissioner Asper to accept and place on file the communication and support the Veterans Court grant application to

the State Court Administrative Office for funding in the amount of up to \$28,000 with a local contribution of \$13,946 to cover probation officer wages/fringes/other costs not covered by the grant with an additional appropriation of \$3,493 would be required in the 2021 budget, with the balance of \$10,453 to be included in the 2022 budget.

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.

- Letter dated June 10, 2021 from Mr. Brandon Roof, Monroe County Mental Health Recovery Court Coordinator, 1st First District Court, regarding the Court's grant application to the State Court Administrative Office for FY2022 funding of the Mental Health Recovery Court in the amount up to \$185,000, with a local contribution of \$23,214 to provide for drug testing, payroll processing costs and for probation officer overtime wages/fringes. An additional appropriation of \$5,791 in 2021 would be required, with the balance of \$17,423 to be included in the 2022 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Asper, seconded by Commissioner Swartout to accept and place on file the communication and support the grant application to the State Court Administrative Office for funding the Mental Health Recovery Court in the amount of up to \$185,000 with a local contribution of \$23,214 for drug testing, payroll processing costs and for probation officer overtime wages/fringes and an additional appropriation of \$5,791 in 2021 would be required, with the balance of \$17,423 to be included in the 2022 budget.

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.

- Letter dated June 11, 2021 from Mr. Mark Brant, Chairman, Monroe County Board of Commissioners presenting the results of the Board's evaluation for the County Administrator/Chief Financial Officer, and recommending the employment agreement for Michael Bosanac be extended for one year.

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, seconded by Commissioner Moore to accept and place on file the communication and to approve the recommendation to extend the employment agreement of Michael Bosanac as County Administrator/Chief Financial Officer for one year as provided in the Administrator/Chief Financial Officer's employment agreement.

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—None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS—None

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS—

1. Commissioner Asper announced that she will be leading at her church's Vacation Bible School (at Newport Church) and encouraged the community to bring their kids to Vacation Bible School to interact and to be thankful and grateful.
2. Chairman Brant announced that going forward there will be no regular Covid 19 updates from the Health Department, Sheriff's Office or Administrator. He will rely on them to come to the Board if there is any urgent information to relay. Also, unless there is something pressing to discuss, he would like to cancel the July 6, 2021 meeting. Discussion commenced and the meeting will be canceled.

XVII. MEMBERS TIME

Commissioner Richardville—Pass

Commissioner Jondro—Pass

Commissioner Lemasters—Pass

Commissioner Lievens—We are fortunate to have Mr. Bosanac as our Administrator/CFO. I'd like to recognize Dori from the Road Commission is here tonight.

Commissioner Moore—Congratulations to the Museum on its award. We are fortunate to have a full-time Administrator/CFO and I'm truly grateful that we have all these professionals working for us.

Commissioner Asper—Congratulations to the Museum. I'd like to express my gratefulness and I'm honored that we have the professionals in all the departments.

Commissioner Swartout—Echo the other Commissioners. Also recognize Dori from the Road Commission. She helped me with some problems this past week and took care of them immediately.

Commissioner Hoffman—Excused.

Mr. Bosanac—Great job Mr. Egan and Mr. Clark. The film promotes a positive image of this community, organization and citizens. MIDC approved our plan. 64 were approved but 56 were not approved. Thank you to the Commissioners for their candid and constructive evaluation. I have a great team to work with every day. I want to have a conversation with the Chairman regarding a succession plan to replace me when I leave. Maybe in the fall.

Chairman Brant—Agrees there needs to be a conversation about a succession plan for Mr. Bosanac to put someone in place so there will be a smooth transition. Working on it in the next 6 months.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Brant adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.