

MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 17, 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, August 17, 2021. 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 (excused)
Dawn Asper	David Swartout	
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.	
Randy Richardville	Henry Lievens (arrived 5:13 p.m.)	

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

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Jondro led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. OPENING PRAYER

Deputy Clerk, Lisa Sanders led the Opening Prayer.

V. APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, supported by Commissioner Asper to approve the August 17, 2021 agenda as presented.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (08/03/2021 Regular Meeting Minutes)

Motion by Commissioner Asper, supported by Commissioner Swartout to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2021 Regular Meeting as presented and waive the reading thereof.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

VIII. RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL TRIBUTES & PRESENTATIONS—

1. Monroe County Water Supply System (Monroe County South County Water System) Bond Authorizing Resolution, Monroe County Water Supply System (South County

Water System No. 1) Bonds (Townships of Erie, Bedford and LaSalle and City of Luna Pier), Series 2021 (Limited Tax General Obligation) in amount not to exceed \$19,000,000.

- a. Letter dated August 6, 2021 from Mr. Patrick McGow, Bond Counsel, Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.
- b. Monroe County Water Supply System (South County System No. 1) (Townships of Erie, Bedford, LaSalle and City of Luna Pier) Series 2021 Contract
- c. Public Meeting Notice related to the Limited Tax General Obligation and credit pledge of the County related to the bonds.

Mr. Patrick McGow explained the request and answered questions from Commissioners. Mr. David Thompson, Drain Commissioner, was also in attendance to answer questions.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, seconded by Commissioner Moore, to approve the resolution and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to execute the contract for Monroe County Water Supply System, South County Water System No. 1, Series 2021.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Mark Brant	Sharon Lemasters		David Hoffman	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout		Henry Lievens (arrived at 5:13)	
George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Randy Richardville				

Motion carried.

2. Resolution in support of the request to rezone Ash Township parcel 01-035-012-01 from Rural Estates to Light Industrial and provide for the development of approximately 105 acres that would create 500 direct jobs in the Township.

Chairman Brant read the request into the record. Discussion commenced.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

3. Presentation by Ms. Stacey Goans and Ms. Sandie Pierce of Human Services Collaborative Network's (HSCN) annual report highlighting member agencies and what they accomplished during the pandemic.

IX. FINANCE MATTERS

1. Approval of the 08/18/2021 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$872,752.25

Motion by Commissioner Asper, seconded by Commissioner Lemasters to accept the 08/18/2021 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report for \$872,752.25.

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 08/06/2021 in the amount of \$567,327.68
 - b. Check Register dated 08/13/2021 in the amount of \$549,208.24

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, 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 August 11, 2021 from Chief Deputy David Buchko, Monroe County Sheriff's Office requesting approval to apply for and accept an allocation from the Office of Highway Safety Planning for the Secondary Road Patrol and Traffic Accident Prevention Program (SRP) for FY 2022 (October 1, 2021-September 30, 2022). Monroe County's award allocation for Fiscal Year 2022 is \$83,184 with a County match of \$298,407, for a program total of \$381,591. The 2021 match is included in the Sheriff's budget and the 2022 portion will be funded in the 2022 budget.

Undersheriff Jeff Pauli explained the request.

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, seconded by Commissioner Lemasters to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the request to submit the grant

application for and accept the award allocation from the Office of Highway Safety Planning for the Secondary Road Patrol and Traffic Accident Prevention Program (SRP) for Fiscal Year 2022 in the amount of \$83,184 with a County match of \$298,407 with the 2021 match is included in the Sheriff's budget and the 2022 portion to be funded 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.

XII. PUBLIC HEARINGS—None

XIII. OLD BUSINESS—None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS—None

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS—None

XVII. MEMBERS TIME

Commissioner Lemasters—Commented on the dunk tank that Captain Julie Massengill organized for the Sheriff's Office and that it was well received and they did a great job.

Commissioner Asper—Impressed with the report that the Sheriff's Office was completely in compliance with the Covid protocols.

Commissioners Jondro, Lievens, Moore, Swartout, and Richardville all passed.

Mr. Bosanac—Mr. Lake, Mr. Chaffin, Ms. Vanisacker and I appeared before the Monroe City Council last night and presented the My Cornerstone Community Event calendar. It was well received.

Chairman Brant—Mike (Bosanac) and I went to the Port Authority yesterday and spent some time touring. Senator Gary Peters is trying to get permission to be a more enhanced port so it can handle container shipping. Currently, we can't get the U.S. Border Patrol agents to come down and clear our containers. We need to get on the same ground as Detroit, Toledo and Cleveland. Working on getting some grant funding to enhance our facility down there. We already have a grant to detect radiation. Paul LaMarre has done a good job; it was time well spent.

Commissioner Hoffman—Excused

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Brant adjourned the meeting at 5:27 p.m.