WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2020

PRESENT: Comm. Stimpson, Bales, Bolton, Collins, Jenkins-Arno, Knoblauch, Lapham, and Tillotson

ABSENT: Comm. Wittenbach

ALSO PRESENT: Matt Richardson, Kim Murphy, Laura Harris, Jenny Escott, Ed Scheffler, Martha Hall, Sheriff Bevier, Burke Castleberry, Scott Holtz, Ryan Rank, Craig Tanis, Marilyn Woods, Micah Hassenzahl, Bill Rohweder, Jen Ambrose, Rebecca Borton, Dmitriy Shapiro (The Daily Telegram), Tonya Miller, Undersheriff Ewald, Carolyn Bater, Tim Mehan, Deb Keller, Martin Marshall, Eric Miller, and Roxann Holloway.

The meeting was opened with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comm. Bolton moved to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2020 meeting and the minutes from the March 27, 2020, special meeting, with a correction to include Comm. Jenkins-Arno, as present, during the special meeting, Comm. Collins seconded, Motion CARRIED.

Comm. Tillotson moved to accept the agenda, Comm. Knoblauch seconded, Motion CARRIED.

Martin Marshall, County Administrator, presented the 2019 Equalization Report.

Comm. Knoblauch moved to approve the following resolution, Comm. Bolton seconded.

LENAWEE COUNTY 2020 REPORT OF COUNTY EQUALIZATION RES#2020-010

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners, under MCL 211.34, to equalize the value of Lenawee County each year, and

WHEREAS, in fulfillment of that responsibility the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners maintains the Lenawee County Equalization Department to advise and assist the board in equalization matters as provided in MCL 211.34(3), and

WHEREAS, the Lenawee County Equalization Department has reviewed the assessment rolls of the 26 assessment jurisdictions in Lenawee County and has recommended equalized values for each real property class and the personal property class as a whole as detailed in the attached 2020 Report of County Equalization.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners adopts the equalized values as recommended by the equalization department in the attached 2020 Report of County Equalization, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners appoint the Lenawee County Equalization Director, Marchelle L DeLong, to represent the County of Lenawee in equalization matters before the Michigan State Tax Commission.

Motion CARRIED by a Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Comm. Collins moved to approve the following resolution, Comm. Bales seconded.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM INTEGRATION AGREEMENT RES#2020-011 Authorization Resolution

WHEREAS, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of Lenawee County to install an 800 MHz Multicast radio communications system to
serve the needs of the county citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County has entered into a contract with the Motorola Corporation, a sole source provider of communications equipment that operates on the statewide Michigan’s Public Safety Communications System (MPSCS), to install towers and communications equipment to implement said 800 MHz system; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the Lenawee County infrastructure for said radio system will be integrated with and become a part of the MPSCS when it is installed and operational; and

WHEREAS, the MPSCS is managed and operated by the State of Michigan, by its Department of Technology, Management, and Budget, (DTMB); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of both parties to enter into an agreement for the setup, operation, and maintenance of the 800 MHz system within Lenawee County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners approves the Michigan Public Safety Communications System Integration Agreement between Lenawee County and the State of Michigan DTMB, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that David Stimpson, Chair of the Board, be authorized to sign the agreement.

Motion CARRIED by a Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Comm. Bolton moved to approve the following proclamation, Comm. Knoblauch seconded.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK PRO#2020-002

WHEREAS, the entire community can inspire, equip and mobilize people to take actions that change the world; and

WHEREAS, volunteers can connect with local service opportunities through many community service organizations, such as the Lenawee Community Foundation and its partner community service organizations through their Volunteer! Lenawee center; and

WHEREAS, individuals and communities are at the center of social change, discovering their power to make a difference; and

WHEREAS, during this week, all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers will be recognized for their commitment to service; and

WHEREAS, the giving of oneself in service to another empowers the giver and the recipient, and

WHEREAS, experience teaches us that government, by itself, cannot solve all of our nation’s social problems; and

WHEREAS, our country’s volunteer force of more than 64 million people is a great treasure; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners, DOES HEREBY proclaim April 19-April 25, 2020 as “National Volunteer Week” in Lenawee County and urge my fellow citizens to volunteer in their communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can replace disconnection with understanding and compassion.

Motion CARRIED by a Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Comm. Stimpson announced that is was also National Telecommunicator Month and although, there was not an official proclamation presented and given our current state, he wanted to acknowledge all those that are currently working for the county, either to and from work, including first responders and 911 dispatchers, and thank them for all the difficult work that is being done.
Martin Marshall presented County business.

Comm. Tillotson moved to approve the 2021 Budget Calendar, Comm. Knoblauch seconded, Motion CARRIED.

Comm. Collins moved to approve the tuition reimbursements submitted by Sheriff’s Office, Comm. Lapham seconded, Motion CARRIED.

Administrator Marshall reported that the Emergency Management Office has been working very hard since the Covid-19 crisis began. The Emergency Operations Center has been meeting twice a day during the week and once a day during the weekend to stay in communication, develop plans and share information. There has been a great effort in providing information and Emergency Management has been key to this operation, as well as the Health Dept.

March 12, 2020
Comm. Collins moved to approve total vouchers for payment in the amount $1,263,935.71 with the general fund’s portion being $171,776.30, Comm. Knoblauch seconded. Motion CARRIED.

April 2, 2020
Comm. Tillotson moved to approve total vouchers for payment in the amount $2,246,151.57 with the general fund’s portion being $339,287.11, Comm. Lapham seconded. Motion CARRIED.

Comm. Bolton moved to confirm the appointment of David Dixon to the Emergency 9-1-1 District Board (term expiration 12/22), Comm. Bales seconded, Motion CARRIED.

Administrator Marshall reported on behalf the Airport Commission.

Administrator Marshall reported on behalf of the Emergency 9-1-1 District Board.

Comm. Bolton announced that the recipient of the Board of Commissioner’s Scholarship is Laura Gambill. She also announced that the May 17, 2020 Scholarship Reception has been cancelled.

Comm. Bolton reported from Michigan Works.

Comm. Knoblauch announced that the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event has been cancelled. He also announced that the Tire Collection Event that is scheduled for May 30th, is still scheduled at this time.

Comm. Collins moved to adjourn at 2:20 P.M., Comm. Knoblauch seconded. Motion CARRIED.