

MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Monroe County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting in the City of Monroe on Tuesday, September 6, 2022. Chairman Mark 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
David Hoffman	George Jondro	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens
Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	Greg Moore, Jr.	
Dawn Asper	David Vensel		

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

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Hoffman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. OPENING PRAYER

Chairman Brant asked for a moment of silence in honor of Glenda Kennon, Commissioner Richardville's mother, who recently passed away.

Deputy Clerk, Lisa Sanders led the Opening Prayer.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Hoffman, supported by Commissioner Jondro to approve the September 6, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda as presented.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (08/16/2022 Regular Meeting)

Motion by Commissioner Moore, supported by Commissioner Swartout to approve the minutes as presented for the August 16, 2022 Regular Meeting and waive the reading thereof.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT—

Attorney C.J. Horkey introduced himself and announced that he is running for the seat that Judge Jack Vitale is vacating.

VIII. RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL TRIBUTES & PRESENTATION—None

IX. FINANCE MATTERS

1. Approval of the 09/07/2022 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$669,284.47

Motion by Commissioner Hoffman supported by Commissioner Asper to accept the 09/07/2022 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report for \$669,284.47

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

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

2. Letter dated August 30, 2022 from Mr. Jesse Stanford, Monroe County Treasurer transmitting the Cash and Investment Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2022.

Mr. Stanford explained the Report and answered questions.

Motion by Commissioner Asper, supported by Commissioner Swartout to accept and place on file the June 30, 2022 Cash and Investment Report from the Monroe County Treasurer.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

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

Motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Non-Claims
 - a. Check Register dated 08/19/2022 in the amount of \$576,068.38
 - b. Check Register dated 08/26/2022 in the amount of \$385,634.04
 - c. Check Register dated 09/02/2022 in the amount of \$1,100,903.98

Motion by Commissioner Moore, supported by Commissioner Swartout, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

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

Motion carried.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

Board Action:

1. Letter dated August 30, 2022 from Mr. Jeff McBee, Community Planning & Engagement Director submitting a Summary of a Farmland/Open Space review/recommendation from the County Planner and to approve the application to the Farmland and Open Space Preservation program (part 361 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act) for property in Milan Township.

Chairman Brant read the request into the record and Mr. McBee answered questions of Commissioners.

Motion by Commissioner Asper, supported by Commissioner Jondro to accept the communication along with the Summary of Farmland review/recommendation to approve the application to the Farmland and Open Space Preservation program for property in Milan Township, place on file and approve the recommendation of the County Planner.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

2. Letter dated September 1, 2022 from Sheriff Troy Goodnough requesting approval to enter into an agreement with the Monroe County Intermediate School District (MCISD) to employ a Sergeant School Resource Officer with the cost of the officer funded by the MCISD.

Chairman Brant read the request into the record and Mr. Bosanac, Administrator/Chief Financial Officer elaborated on it. Sheriff Goodnough answered questions of Commissioners.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept the communication, place it on file, and approve the request and authorize the Chairman to execute the Sergeant School Resource Officer agreement with the Monroe County Intermediate School District with the cost of the officer funded by the MCISD.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

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

Motion carried.

3. Letter dated August 30, 2022 from Mr. Michael Bosanac, Administrator/Chief Financial Officer recommending the compensation for elected non-judicial officials for 2023 and 2024 along with supporting resolutions.

Chairman Brant explained the recommendations on the record.

Motion by Commissioner Richardville, supported by Commissioner Moore to accept the communication, place on file, and approve and adopt the Resolution approving compensation amounts for elected non-judicial officials for 2023 and 2024.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, supported by Commissioner Asper to accept the communication, place on file, and approve and adopt the Resolution approving compensation amounts for elected County Board of Commissioners for 2023 and 2024.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Asper, supported by Commissioner Moore to accept the communication, place on file, and approve and adopt the Resolution approving compensation amounts for appointed County Board of Road Commissioners for 2023 and 2024.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

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

Motion carried.

XII. PUBLIC HEARINGS—None

XIII. OLD BUSINESS—None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS—None

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT—

1. Erika Brodie would like the Board of Commissioners to investigate 5G towers and possibly do a Resolution to stop them from coming into Monroe County.

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Copies of any Tributes or Certificates issued since August 16, 2022 meeting: None

XVIII. MEMBERS TIME

Commissioner Jondro—Pass

Commissioner Moore—Pass

Commissioner Asper—The biggest thing with 5G as I understand it is that the Legislature had overridden local authorities. We may not have any authority to do anything. We may be able to do a Resolution to cause the Legislature to revisit that legislation.

Commissioner Hoffman—Commend the Sheriff and his people who took care of a situation in my neck of the woods. Thank-you to Dori from the Road Commission for attending; the Road Commission is doing a great job. Perhaps we can look into doing a study regarding what our citizen who spoke at Public Comment was talking about to make sure our community is safe.

Commissioner Swartout—Pass

Commissioner Vensel—Thank you to the Board for the warm welcome and to Mike, Aundrea and Lisa for their help getting me up to speed.

Commissioner Richardville—Thank you for your kind words of condolences on the passing of my mom. She will be missed.

Commissioner Lievens—Excused

Commissioner Brant—Explained how the Road Commissioner appointment process will work and how there will be advertising for other Boards & Commissions with terms expiring (12/31/2022 or before or prior to 12/31/2023). This is an opportunity for citizens with an interest in serving the community to do so.

Mr. Bosanac —We are working on getting the mixer that controls the sound/microphones in the Board Chambers fixed. Operations Meeting this Thursday at 3:00 p.m. MSU Extension will be at the next meeting.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT—Chairman Brant adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m. with no further business to conduct.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lisa E. Sanders

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Deputy Clerk

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