

April 14, 2021

The Roscommon County Board of Commissioner's met on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 for a Regular Meeting. The meeting was held online via ZOOM. Chairman Robert E. Schneider called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America was recited.

Present: Schneider (from home), Milburn, Muckenthaler, Russo (from home), Melvin (from home)

Absent: None

Motion by Milburn, Second by Muckenthaler, to approve the Board Agenda. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Muckenthaler, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Melvin, Second by Russo, to approve Board of Commissioner's Regular Meeting Minutes for March 10, 2021 and March 24, 2021, and Special Meeting on March 31, 2021. On Roll Call: Ayes: Milburn, Schneider, Muckenthaler, Melvin, Russo. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Russo, Second by Muckenthaler, to approve Class A bills in the amount \$753,006.16. On Roll Call: Ayes: Melvin, Milburn, Muckenthaler, Schneider, Russo. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Melvin, Second by Muckenthaler, to approve Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$72,817.45. On Roll Call: Ayes: Milburn, Muckenthaler, Schneider, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Emil Bellenbaum spoke regarding the COA situation. Laurie Sauer, Director of Regional Area 9 Council on Aging, spoke regarding the COA situation. The \$391,866 Grant Award previously awarded must be matched by 10%. The contract will be discontinued by the end of the month if the COA does not become compliant with state regulations. The remaining balance of the matching funds of \$16,345 has yet to be paid. Sauer is asking the Board of Commissioners to ensure the remainder is paid to provide services.

Administrator/Controller's Report: Administrator/Controller Valentino stated that there are no changes to report regarding lawsuits involving Roscommon County. Work has been done to temporarily repair the Houghton Lake Lake Level Control Structure. The fix revealed that additional renovations are necessary. EGLE requires a permit, which requires an engineer to be hired. Valentino has been busy preparing for the audit, which will begin the first week of May. Roughly \$170,000 is needed to cover Juvenile Detention's budget shortfall due to COVID19 closures. Board approval is needed for such a significant amount of funds transferred. Valentino mentioned the American Rescue Plan funding and the differing opinions as to what the funds should be spent on. Suggestions from MAC, MTA, Department of Treasury, and National Association of Counties will be taken into consideration. The funds will need to be placed into a separate account and will have to be carefully spent with specified uses. Considering equalization amounts, an expected \$75,000 will likely go into the general fund. Depending on economic development, an expected decrease of revenues the next few years is likely. In order to grow revenue, we would have to increase our residents and local businesses. Valentino is midway through Michigan Indigent Defense Counsel 2022 planning, which is due April 27th. The GIS training has gone well and Brittney is working with Trish learning those tasks. The airport land swap contract has been passed onto the attorney's for review.

Correspondence:

- A. EGLE/USACE – Joint Permit Application
- B. State of Michigan Dept. of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy – DEQ Public Notice re: Nester Twp., Joint Permit App, AKT Peerles
- C. Benchmark Club – Permit for Dredging Activities
- D. MiCorps Volunteer Stream Monitoring Program – Become A Community Scientist
- E. Cheboygan County – Resolutions #6 & #7
- F. Hillsdale County – Resolution #21-035
- G. Roscommon County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program - post card
- H. Michigan Dept. of Treasury - Planning for the use of the American Rescue Plan
- I. MSUE – Report to our Partners
- J. EGLE - Dam Construction info
- K. Wendy VonDoloksi – Civil Liberties request
- L. Berrien County BOC – Resolution #B2104193
- M. Consumers – Summer Peak Rate
- N. Genesee County – Resolution #2021-200
- O. KCC – Roscommon County Data info

Monthly Department Reports: Animal Control, Sheriff, Economic Development Committee, Central Dispatch/911

Visitors: None

Unfinished Business/New Business: None

Motions and Resolutions:

1. Motion by Melvin, Second by Muckenthaler, to adopt and administer the MERS Defined Contribution (DC) Plan (see attached), effective April 14, 2021 defining specific leave types to be allowed for service credit. Adoption of amendments are not a change in past application, simply a requirement of MERS to define those leaves included.

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Russo, Muckenthaler, Melvin, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Russo, Second by Muckenthaler, to authorize Chairman Robert E. Schneider to sign, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, the Solid Waste Management Plan Packet, to be submitted to EGLE for approval.

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Russo, Muckenthaler, Melvin, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

Russo: Agenda, Claims & Accounts

Milburn: District Health, EDC

Muckenthaler: Claims & Accounts

Melvin: Agenda, Veterans Affairs, MIWorks!

Schneider: District Health, EDC

Public Comment: Vance Stringham gave kudos to the Roscommon County dispatchers. They have been able to recruit additional dispatchers. Greg Semack spoke regarding the Gerrish/Lyon Sanitary Sewer Project. David Udy spoke regarding the Gerrish/Lyon Sanitary Sewer Project. Clerk Stevenson spoke regarding the COA updates, State of Emergency, August Election, the possible resolution regarding the sanitary sewer project, and Commissioner Committee Reports. Commissioner Melvin spoke regarding gauge placement at Lake St. Helen.

Motion by Milburn, Second by Russo, to adjourn meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Robert E. Schneider, Chairman

Michelle M. Stevenson, County Clerk/Reg. Of Deeds