WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting * Wednesday, July 21, 2021

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m by Chairman Taylor

Roll Call: Present- Commissioners Joseph Hurlburt, Mike Musta, Ben Townsend, Mike Bengelink, Michael Bush, Julie Theobald, Gary Taylor, Judy Nichols, and Brian Potter.

Absent- *None*.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda-None.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Comm Musta, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the agenda.

All in Favor.

Employee Recognition- None.

Presentation and Reports-

Kevin Hughes, Health Officer for the District Health Department, presented the Board with a written report. Their main focus in the past year has been the COVID pandemic, but they have had other issues with tuberculosis and hepatis A.

Currently there are not any requirements for schools getting ready to open back up, but there are guidance and recommendations. They are hosting a webinar with the local schools to help them develop a plan specific for their area.

In the written report handed out, there were statistics regarding vaccination percentages. Mr. Hughes pointed out that those numbers do not include those immunized at VA hospitals or those vaccinated out of state. Their current focus is pop up vaccination sites at local events like the Manton Truck Show.

Public Comment-

Cathy Kirk, Haring Township, is the President of Wonderland Humane Society. The County previously passed a MOU for a spay and neuter clinic. A vet and an assistant was able to complete 33 procedures. It was a very rounding success. She extended a great thank you to Sheriff Taylor for his help in bringing this option to the Board. There will be another clinic in September sometime.

Ms. Kirk also commented that 36 ½ Road is being paved and she was so happy with the Road Commission for doing so.

Consent Agenda

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1. Approval of the July 7, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes MOTION by Comm Hurlburt, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve the Consent Agenda.

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. Child Care Budget for Fiscal Year 2022

MOTION by Comm Bengelink, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the Child Care Fund Budget for FY 2021 with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of \$652,000 for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the Budget Summary – DHS 2091 form on behalf of the County.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

2. Bid Award-Bulk Paper

<u>MOTION</u> by Comm Musta, seconded by Comm Bengelink to award the bid to Lindenmeyr Munroe in the amount of \$9,374 for the purchase of bulk paper.

Roll Call: Motion passed unanimously.

3. Dog License Fees

<u>MOTION</u> by Comm Bengelink, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the fee increases for dog licenses, effective for the 2022 licenses.

One Commissioner thanked the Treasurer's office for doing this.

Roll Call: Motion approved 8-1 with Commissioner Hurlburt voting against the motion.

4. Budget Amendment-None.

Administrator's Report-

Administrator Koch informed the Board that negotiations were going to begin the following day for the POAM Non-312 Union.

Ms. Koch joked that Friend of the Court has been playing musical chairs since Sally Randall's retirement. It appears that it is all done now, with only one position remaining open.

She also informed the Board that the 2018 agreement with Tenurgy has been completed, and the County should see a savings of around \$1700 per year.

Correspondence- None.

Public Comments- None.

Liaison Reports-

Comm Townsend attended a Library Meeting.

Comm Nichols attended a Area Agency on Aging meeting via zoom. There is a lot of restructuring going on.

Board Comments-

Comm Bengelink read a quote from Winston Churchill.

Comm Nichols thanked Cathy Kirk for coming to address the Board and for providing that service. She asked her to pass on the thanks to the Humane Society. She also thanked Comm Bengelink for setting up the meeting on the gypsy moths.

Chairman's Comments-

Comm Taylor thanked everyone for coming.

Adjourn

MOTION by Comm Bengelink, seconded by Comm Bush to adjourn at 4:21 p.m.

All in favor.

Gary Taylor, Chairperson

Alaina Nyman, County Clerk