

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting * Wednesday, September 15, 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

Add: J.4. Victim Right Grant, J.5. Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Vote J.6. Board meeting start time discussion.

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- None.

Public Comment-None.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the September 1, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the Consent Agenda.

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. DHHS Agreement with FOC

MOTION by Comm Musta, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the DHHS Agreement # CSFOC17-83001-A22Amendment #1 and authorize the Chairman to sign the written and electronic agreement.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

2. Probate Court Financial Officer Level Increase

MOTION by Comm Bush, seconded by Comm Townsend to approve the Probate Court Financial Officers level increase from an L4 to and L5 effective with the payroll period starting 9/12/2021.

A Comm mentioned that they need to look closely at these increase requests and make sure they are justified by each department.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

3. **Budget Amendments-none**

4. Victim Rights Grant

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the DHHS Agreement # E20220782-00 for Victim Rights for 2022 and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement electronically through the Prosecutors Office.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

5. Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Vote

MOTION by Comm Bengelink, seconded by Comm Theobald to ratify the Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Plan vote.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

Administrator's Report-

Administrator Koch gave an update on corrections union contract status. We are still waiting for union vote. We had negotiations for TPOAM General and Supervisors on 9/9/2021 and had tentative agreements on both that same morning. We are now waiting for attorney to send a revised contract for review.

Update on the Lake street parking lot project, we are still waiting for engineer to complete the bidding documents. There is a possible easement issue and it is looking less likely that the project will be done this year, possibly more like next spring.

The Administrator also mentioned that her office is working with HR Director Bigger on new COVID signage for the building. The signs need to be run by the Judges first and then will be put up around the building.

She also mentioned that two interviews were held for the part time position in her office and they would likely be making an offer.

Also an update was given on the AT&T billing issue from 2016. It was a joint effort involving the Clerks Office, Treasurer's Office and Administration. We received notice last week that we will be credited almost \$30,000.

A Comm commented regarding an email sent from Admin Koch about her taking some extra time off while she is recovering from COVID. He suggested rather than her taking

long weekends she takes a day off mid-week and then she will be more rested and recover quicker.

Correspondence- none

Public Comments- none

Liaison Reports-

Comm Townsend attended another meeting at the airport. Since the Fly and Drive was such a huge success, they are talking about holding more events.

Comm Potter met with the Downtown Development Authority and things are getting moving.

Comm Taylor met with the Council on Aging, and they are working on a new budget. Also mentioned that the Veterans Office has hired a new person who will take over for Kent when he retires.

Board Comments-

Comm Bengelink gave a quote from Ronald Raegan.

Comm Bush commented that he visited the open house at the Public Defenders Office, and they are doing a great job over there. Also mentioned they are taking good care of the building.

Comm Theobald mentioned that she has gotten several phone calls, texts, emails from people asking about things that she has supposedly said. She wanted to say that she speaks for herself and asked others to stop speaking for her. She said at anytime anyone can ask her how she feels about something, and she will be honest. She went on to say that she has never felt singled out on the Board for being a female and that she has faith in the Board.

Comm Nichols had a suggestion about the sound system. She said she has studied sound and has reviewed zoom meetings and she wanted to mention that if you lean up towards the microphone during the meeting and avoid shifting papers, sound comes through clearly.

Comm Potter mentioned that an open house will be held at the New Hope Shelter on 9/24/2021 from 4-7 pm and invited all to attend.

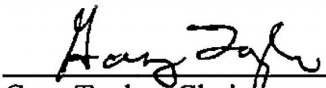
Chairman's Comments-

Comm Taylor thanked everyone for coming.

Adjourn

MOTION by Comm Musta, seconded by Comm Bush to adjourn at 4:23 p.m.

All in favor.



Gary Taylor, Chairperson



Melanie Danforth, Chief Deputy Clerk