

COUNTY OF WEXFORD
HUMAN RESOURCES/PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 28, 2023

The regular meeting was called to order by Chair Brian Potter at 4:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' Room, third floor, Historic Courthouse, 437 E. Division St., Cadillac, Michigan.

Members Present: Brian Potter, Kathy Adams, Michael Bush, and Gary Taylor

Members Absent: None.

Also Present: Duane Alworden, Central Dispatch Director; Travis Baker, Central Dispatch Deputy Director; Jami Bigger, Deputy County Administrator/HR Director; Randy Boike, Emergency Management Specialist; Megan Kujawa, Sr. Exec Admin Assistant; Kristi Nottingham, Treasurer; Joe Porterfield, County Administrator/Equalization Director; Roxanne Snyder, Register of Deeds; and Sheriff Trent Taylor

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

ADDED: G.9. Resolution 23-20 Extending Appreciation for Eric Garland's Dedicated Service

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to approve the agenda, as amended. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Adams to approve the October 24, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

G.1. Sheriff's Office Monthly Report (October 2023)

Sheriff Taylor was present. A report was provided in the packet. Sheriff Taylor reviewed the report with the committee. He stated that there are currently 106 inmates lodged in the jail.

G.2. MMR Monthly Update (October 2023)

Mr. Mosholder, Operations Manager, was unable to attend the meeting; a report was provided in the packet. A written report was provided for the committee at the beginning of the meeting, there were no concerns.

G.3. Emergency Management Monthly Report (October 2023)

Mr. Randy Boike, Emergency Management Specialist, was present; a report was provided in the packet. Mr. Boike reviewed the report with the committee. There was a HazMat callout requiring EGLE Emergency notification and response.

G.4. Central Dispatch Monthly Report (October 2023)

Mr. Duane Alworden, Central Dispatch Director, was present. Mr. Alworden provided a report at the beginning of the meeting and reviewed it with the committee. He noted a server issue that the vendor is working on.

G.5. Veterans Services Monthly Report (October 2023)

Ms. Kathy Cline, Veterans Services Director, was unable to attend the meeting; a report was provided in the packet. There were no concerns.

G.6. Sponsorship of Cadets to the Police Academy

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and Comm. Adams to forward a recommendation to the full board to approve sending an additional cadet to the Winter 2024 Police Academy.

Chair Potter clarified that this would make a total of two cadets to the program.

A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.

G.7. Appointment of County Administrator to the NLCMH Dispute Resolution Committee

A motion was made by Commissioner Adams and supported by Comm. Taylor to forward a recommendation to the full board to appoint Administrator Porterfield to the Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Dispute Resolution Committee. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.

G.8. Appointments to Standing and Special Committees

- A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Adams to forward a recommendation to the full board to accept the resignation of Michael Hoover from the Airport Authority. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Adams and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to appoint Carol Dehnbostel to the Airport Authority with a term ending December 31, 2026. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to appoint Madeline Adams to the Airport Authority with a term ending December 31, 2025. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Adams and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to accept the resignation of Lee Jones from the Library Board. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to reappoint Linda Kimbal to the Library Board with a term ending December 31, 2029. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to appoint Eric Seguin to the Library Board with a term ending December 31, 2024. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Adams and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to appoint Kathy Morin to the Transit Authority with a term ending December 31, 2026. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
 - *Note: Motion was amended to clarify that this was a new appointment not a reappointment.*
- A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to reappoint Eleanor Sosenko to the Transit Authority with a term ending December 31, 2026. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to reappoint Roger Hopkins to the DHHS committee with a term ending December 31, 2027. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.

- A motion was made by Comm. Bush and supported by Comm. Adams to forward a recommendation to the full board to reappoint Rhonda Jakubik-Workman to the Veterans Services committee with a term ending December 31, 2028. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to reappoint Jim Meier to the 911 Advisory Committee with a term ending December 31, 2026. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.
- A motion was made by Comm. Adams and supported by Comm. Bush to forward a recommendation to the full board to reappoint Trent Taylor, Will Yancer, Adam Ottjepka, Judge Jason Elmore, Judge Audrey Van Alst, Judge Melissa Ransom, Dean Smallegan, Corey Wiggins, David DenHouten, Charles Kennard, Laura O'Dell, Kristie Hatinger, Robert Champion, Stephen King, Ashley Osowski, William Barnett, Judge William Fagerman, and Amy Cox to the Community Corrections Advisory Board with a term ending December 31, 2025. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.

G.9. Resolution 23-20 Extending Appreciation for Eric Garland's Dedicated Service

A motion was made by Comm. Bush and supported by Comm. Taylor to forward a recommendation to the full board to approve Resolution 23-20 Extending Appreciation for Eric Garland's Dedicated Service. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Porterfield thanks Ms. Bigger and Ms. Nyman for working with Weadock and Associates on finding a replacement vendor for Aflac.

Ms. Bigger stated that open enrollment started on Monday, and that Weadock and Associates will be at the Courthouse and the Sheriff's Office tomorrow to hold group meetings and help if anyone has any questions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Comm. Adams thanked Ms. Bigger for her efforts.

CHAIR COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bush to adjourn at 4:14 p.m. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed 4-0.


Brian Potter, Chair

Megan Kujawa, Recording Secretary