

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
800 10<sup>th</sup> Street Suite 200  
Baldwin, MI 49656

Minutes  
Wednesday April 12, 2023

Prayer: Prayer with Commissioner Raymond

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman called the meeting to order at: 10:00

Present: Balulis, Sanders, Fuller, Raymond Arquette, Welford and Lodholtz

Absent: None

Commissioner Arquette moved that the agenda be approved; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. *All in favor motion carried.*

Commissioner Fuller moved that the Minutes dated March 22, 2023 be approved with a second from Commissioner Welford and Commissioner Arquette made a motion that the Closed Session from the same date also be approved with a second from Commissioner Sanders. *All in favor-motion carried.*

**Public Comment:**

None

**Presentations:**

Equalization Director: Casey Guthrie-Annual Equalization Report  
Commissioner Chris Balulis-2022 Dispatcher of the Year (Audra Rosebrook)  
Administrator Tobi Lake-Wolf Lake Level update

**Motions:**

Commissioner Arquette made a motion to approve of the semi-monthly detail analysis dated April 12, 2023 totaling \$191,962.47; with a second from Commissioner Balulis.

Roll call vote: Welford-yes, Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes and Lodholtz-yes. *Motion passed*

101	GENERAL FUND	\$99,851.48
207	SHERIFF ROAD PATROL FUND	\$1,472.48
211	JAIL T.R.V. PROJECT	\$1,832.99
215	FRIEND OF THE COURT	\$170.73
249	BUILDING INSPECTION DEPT	\$4,976.96
251	EMERGENCY 911 PROGRAM	\$3,784.06
256	REG. OF DEEDS AUTOMATION	\$2,732.06
258	DISASTER CONTINGENCY FUND	\$120.49
260	INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	\$15,518.84
269	LAW LIBRARY	\$356.00
292	CHILD CARE-PROBATE	\$9,582.76

404	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-MISC	\$18,339.24
505	AMBULANCE	\$32,724.38
636	INFORMATION SERVICES	\$500.00

<b>TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS</b>		<b>\$191,962.47</b>
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Commissioner Arquette motion to approve the acceptance of the 2023 Lake County Equalization Report; with a second from Commissioner Balulis.

Roll call vote: Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes, Welford-yes and Lodholtz-yes. *Motion passed*

Commissioner Arquette made a motion to approve the fourth quarter fiscal year 2022 and first quarter fiscal year 2023 budget amendments as presented in the Quarterly Budget Amendment Reports; with a second from Commissioner Sanders.

Roll call vote: Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes, Welford-yes, Sanders-yes and Lodholtz-yes. *Motion passed.*

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve of the duration plan establishing the renewal year and duration for the seven Special Millage Renewals; with a second from Commissioner Fuller.

Roll call vote: Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes, Welford-yes, Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes and Lodholtz-yes. *Motion passed.*

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to authorize the attendance and to cover the costs of the MAC Legislative Conference for three Commissioners, approximate cost will be \$1200 plus meals, gasoline, and parking; with a second from Commissioner Welford.

Roll call vote: Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes, Welford-yes, Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes and Lodholtz-yes. *Motion passed.*

***Discussion:***

Hotel:	\$161.54
Conference registration:	\$245
Total Each:	\$406.54

3 Commissioners:	\$1,219.62
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Not Counting Parking, meals, and gasoline.

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve of the proposed letters of understanding for all five unions and to authorize the Board Chair to sign and execute any and all other documents needed to adopt an Administrative Services Agreement with MERS that would allow employees in the Defined Benefit Plan to remain in the DB plan if transferred or promoted to a position in a different MERS division, and would continue to place all new hires/rehires into the open Defined Contribution Plan; with a second from Commissioner Welford.

Roll call vote: Balulis-yes, Welford-yes, Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes and Lodholtz-yes. *Motion passed.*

Commissioner Fuller made a motion to approve of the purchase and outfitting of two new Road Patrol vehicles at a cost not to exceed \$130,604.00 (two vehicles \$94,206 to be purchased out of 207-901.00-981.000 and \$34,703.88 Outfitting 207-901-00-981-002); with a second from Commissioner Balulis.

Roll call vote: Welford-yes, Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes and Lodholtz-yes. *Motion passed.*

Commissioner Fuller made a motion to approve of the Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation Districts' service agreement for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Program; to appropriate \$1,000 for 2023 for the program, money to come from 101-266-00-802-000; and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the service agreement on behalf of the County; with a second from Commissioner Welford.

Roll call vote: Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes, Welford-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion passed.

Commissioner Fuller made a motion to approve of the 911 Plan Appendix 3 update; with a second from Commissioner Arquette.

Roll call vote: Raymond-yes, Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Balulis-yes, Welford-yes, Sanders-yes and Lodholtz-yes

Commissioner Fuller made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-09 National County Government Month-April 2023; with a second from Commissioner Balulis.

Roll call vote: Arquette-yes, Fuller-yes, Baldwin-yes, Welford-yes, Sanders-yes, Raymond-yes and Lodholtz-yes. Motion passed.

**Correspondence:**

Laker County Building Department-Permit Summary

**New Business:**

None

**Commissioner Reports:**

Commissioner Balulis: MiWorks and Economical Development

Commissioner Welford: WMSRDC and 5Cap

Commissioner Sanders: Courthouse Security

Commissioner Arquette: Parks & Rec

Commissioner Raymond: Area Agency on Aging and District Health #10

**Unfinished Business:**

none

**Administrators Report:**

Administrator Lake gave numerous county updates including but not limited to:

- Veterans Grant
- ARPA Funds
- GEO
- ORV Project
- RRP

The Sheriff announced (on social media) that he is sending an Explorer to the next Academy opening.

**Public Comment:**

Undersheriff Mark Pietras Sheriff Department update.

*Meeting adjourned at 11:17 am*

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Patti Pacola-Lake County Clerk