

MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
 AUGUST 16, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Monroe County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting in the City of Monroe on Tuesday, August 16, 2022. Chairman Mark Brant called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call by Deputy Clerk, Lisa Sanders, as follows:

PRESENT			ABSENT
David Hoffman	George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.	
Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens	
Dawn Asper	David Swartout		

A quorum being present, the Board proceeded to conduct business.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Asper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. OPENING PRAYER

Deputy Clerk, Lisa Sanders led the Opening Prayer

V. APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Moore, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to approve the August 16, 2022 Regular Meeting Amended Agenda as presented.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (08/02/2022 Regular Meeting)

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, supported by Commissioner Swartout to approve the minutes as presented for the August 2, 2022 Regular Meeting and waive the reading thereof.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT—None

VIII. RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL TRIBUTES & PRESENTATION—None

IX. FINANCE MATTERS

1. Approval of the 08/17/2022 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$490,161.43.

Motion by Commissioner Hoffman, supported by Commissioner Asper to accept the 08/17/2022 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report for \$490,161.43

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens			
Dawn Asper	David Swartout				

Motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Non-Claims
 - a. Check Register dated 08/05/2022 in the amount of \$881,027.13
 - b. Check Register dated 08/12/2022 in the amount of \$1,342,418.35

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, supported by Commissioner Asper, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens			
Dawn Asper	David Swartout				

Motion carried.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

Board Action:

1. Letter dated August 11, 2022 from Chairman Mark Brant, recommending the appointment of Mr. David Vensel to the District 6 Commissioner seat vacated by Ms. Sharon Lemasters-Hill effective August 1, 2022.

Chairman Brant explained that because Mr. Vensel received the highest number of votes for the District 6 seat in the August 2, 2022 primary election, he is recommending him to fill the seat temporarily. This seat needs to be filled within 30 days in order to avoid a Special Election. Discussion commenced.

Motion by Commissioner Moore, supported by Commissioner Richardville to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the recommendation to appoint Mr. David Vensel to the District 6 Commissioner seat effective immediately.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens	George Jondro		
Mark Brant	David Swartout				
Dawn Asper	Greg Moore, Jr.				

Motion carried.

2. Letter dated August 10, 2022 from Chief Deputy Chad Zeunen, Monroe County Sheriff's Office requesting approval to apply for and accept a grant allocation from the Office of Highway Safety Planning of \$240,000 for the Secondary Road Patrol Grant and Traffic Accident Prevention Program for FY2023 with a local match of \$192,511 with \$48,128 of the local match included and funded in the 2022 Sheriff's Office budget and \$144,383 requested to be included in the Sheriff's 2023 budget.

Chairman Brant read the request into the record and Sheriff Goodnough answered questions from Commissioners.

Motion by Commissioner Hoffman, supported by Commissioner Swartout to accept the communication, place it on file and approve/not approve the request to apply for and accept a grant allocation from the Office of Highway Safety Planning of \$240,000 for the Secondary Road Patrol Grant and Traffic Accident Prevention Program for FY2023 with a match of \$192,511 with \$48,128 of the local match included and funded in the 2022 Sheriff's Office budget and \$144,383 requested to be included in the Sheriff's 2023 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens			
Dawn Asper	David Swartout				

Motion carried.

3. Letter dated July 27, 2022 from Ms. Florence Buchanan, Chair, Monroe County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board requesting the re-appointment of Ms. Florence Buchanan and Mr. Rob Foshag and requesting the new appointment of Mr. Jeff Bohmer to fill the 3-year term vacated by Mr. William Hoffer. Terms will commence 9/1/2022 and end 8/31/2025.
 - a. Monroe County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Panel Roster

Chairman Brant read the request into the record.

Motion by Commissioner Moore, supported by Commissioner Asper to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the re-appointment of Ms. Florence Buchanan and Mr. Rob Foshag and requesting the new appointment of Mr. Jeff Bohmer to fill the 3-year term vacated by Mr. William Hoffer with terms commencing 9/1/2022 and ending 8/31/2025.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

4. Letter dated July 22, 2022 from Chief Judge Jack Vitale, 1st Judicial District Court requesting the Board of Commissioner's approval of the appointment of Ms. Lori Sarnowski as a non-attorney magistrate for the 1st District Court. A Resolution to Approve the Appointment by the Board of Commissioners is the action item for the Board

Chairman Brant read the request into the record.

Motion by Commissioner Jondro, supported by Commissioner Swartout to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the appointment of Ms. Lori Sarnowski as a non-attorney magistrate for the 1st District Court by moving the Resolution to Approve the Appointment.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens			
Dawn Asper	David Swartout				

Motion carried.

5. Letter dated August 9, 2022 from Mr. Jeff McBee, Community Planning & Engagement Director submitting a Summary of a Farmland/Open Space review/recommendation from the County Planner and to approve the application to the Farmland and Open Space Preservation program (part 361 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act) for property in Whiteford Township.

Chairman Brant read the request into the record.

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, supported by Commissioner Moore to accept the communication along with the Summary of Farmland review/recommendation to approve the application to the Farmland and Open Space Preservation program for property in Whiteford Township, place on file and approve the recommendation of the County Planner.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

6. Letter dated August 10, 2022 from Mr. Jeff McBee, Community Planning & Engagement Director submitting the proposed updates to the Monroe Township Master Plan and the LaPlaisance Corridor Plan for review and approval of the County Planner’s recommendations.

[Link](#) to Cover Letter for Master Plan

[Link](#) to Master Plan (Draft)

[Link](#) to LaPlaisance Corridor (Draft)

Chairman Brant explained the request. Mr. Bosanac commented that they would like the Monroe Link Plan to be part of the updated Master Plan. Discussion and questions commenced.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, supported by Commissioner Jondro to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the recommendations of the County Planner and transmit the recommendations to the Monroe Charter Township Board of Trustees.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			
Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens			
Dawn Asper	David Swartout				

Motion carried.

7. Letter dated August 12, 2022 from Mr. Jeff McBee, Community Planning & Engagement Director requesting approval of a Brownfield Site Assessment Project Application and the associated Statement of Disclaimer with the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) for a Phase I, Phase II, and Baseline Environmental Assessment (BEA) for property in the Village of Dundee.

Chairman Brant explained the request.

Motion by Commissioner Asper, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the recommendation and authorize the County to execute the application and disclaimer with EGLE for the property in the Village of Dundee as requested.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	George Jondro	Greg Moore, Jr.			

Mark Brant	Randy Richardville	J. Henry Lievens			
Dawn Asper	David Swartout				

Motion carried.

XII. PUBLIC HEARINGS—None

XIII. OLD BUSINESS—None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS—None

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT—

1. Mr. David Vensel thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve District 6 as its Commissioner even if it is temporarily.

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Copies of any Tributes or Certificates issued since August 2, 2022 meeting: None

XVIII. MEMBERS TIME

Commissioner Hoffman—Thanks to Bill Sisk, a former County Commissioner that I served with and thank-you to Dori from the Road Commission for coming. Looking forward to the investment in the Chrysler plant in Dundee.

Commissioner Asper—Thank you to the Sheriff for answering my questions tonight. Thanks to the Sheriff and 2nd floor.

Commissioner Jondro--Pass

Commissioner Swartout—Echo my fellow Commissioners. Congrats to the Fair Board on 75 years. Congrats to Dave Vensel.

Commissioner Moore—Congrats to Dave Vensel.

Commissioner Lievens—Echo all my fellow Commissioners. Past Chairman of the Board of Commsioners, Bill Sisk, is in attendance.

Commissioner Richardville—I've known Mr. Vensel for over 50 years and I can tell you why he is the top vote getter in the primary. Congratulations to him for being appointed to the District 6 seat.

Mr. Bosanac --This weekend Sheriff Goodnough was directing traffic due to the demolition of the Nadeau Road bridge. We are hoping to schedule a meeting with MDOT to discuss further and the upcoming demolition of the Newport Road Bridge. BDC is in Ash Township tonight, as the township's planning commission will consider a conditional rezoning request from InSite Real Estate for property on North Telegraph Road. Positive news on the Retiree Health Care valuation.

Commissioner Brant—Pass.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT—Chairman Brant adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with no further business to conduct.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lisa E. Sanders

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Deputy Clerk

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