

**MINUTES
ISABELLA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
January 20, 2015**

The Isabella County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chairperson George Green in the Commission Chambers on the above date.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was led by Chairperson George Green.

Roll was called with the following Commissioners present: George Green, John Haupt, Jerry Jaloszynski, Jim Horton, James Moreno, David Ling and Michael Fisher

Commissioners Absent: None

Also present were: Isabella County Administrator/Controller Margaret McAvoy; Isabella County Prosecutor Risa Scully, Deputy Clerk Brenda M. Young

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

It was moved by Commissioner Ling and seconded by Commissioner Haupt to approve the agenda as presented.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Isabella Township Supervisor Rick Ervin: Mr. Ervin stated he has concerns about the Lewis Drain project and its cost to Isabella Township and its residents. He stated that the project was bid out at \$1.8 million dollars but finished costing \$2.3 million dollars. The Township is responsible for 8.1% of the cost of the project which equals \$286,000 and 10% of the project cost goes into a contingency fund. Mr. Ervin would like to know what the contingency fund is used for. He also questioned why the interest rate for the County is 3.5% but the Township is being charged 4.5% interest.

Chairperson Green explained that the Drain Commissioner is an elected official and is considered a co employer. The Board of Commissioners do not have control over how the money is spent and what happens when the project is over. The Board of Determination decide if a drain needs maintenance. Changes to the Board of Determination must be taken up with the State Legislature.

Jeremy Lainey, Isabella Township resident: Mr. Lainey stated he is an advocate for cleaning drains. He has issues with the quality of the work done and the state of his property when the project finished as well as the way the assessment must be paid. He would also like an explanation for the lack of quality and why the job went so far over budget.

Chairperson Green suggested a holding a meeting with the Drain Commissioner and Isabella Township citizens. Commissioners Green, and Haupt plan to attend and Isabella County Administrator/Controller Margaret McAvoy will join the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS: None

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

It was moved by Commissioner Ling, seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve and place on file the December 16, 2014 Regular Board Minutes, the January 6, 2015 Organizational meeting minutes, the January 13, 2015 Finance and Administration meeting minutes, the January 13, 2015 Criminal Justice and County Affairs meeting minutes, and the January 12, 2015 Human Resources and Public Works Committee meeting minutes, accept and place on file the January 13, 2015 Routine Personnel Items as presented and accept and place on file the 2014 Isabella County Planning Commission Annual Report. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Administration Committee:

1. January 13, 2015 Claims List:

It was moved by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Ling to accept and place on file the January 13, 2015 Claims List in the amount of \$113,076.96. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

2. December 2014 Direct Pay List:

It was moved by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Ling to accept and place on file the December 26, 2014 Claims List in the amount of \$156,169.23. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

Criminal Justice and County Affairs Committee:

1. MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc.:

It was moved by Commissioner Haupt and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the FY 2015 contract with MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc. and Isabella County, Michigan, Friend of the Court, for a four year agreement, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None. .

Human Resources and Public Works Committee:

1. Art From Our Parks Grant:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the Grant Agreement, in the amount of \$900, with the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs for the Arts from Our Parks program, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

2. Zoning Amendment #14-06:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Fisher to adopt Zoning Amendment #14-06 which amends the Isabella County Zoning Ordinance Map in Section 3 of Isabella Township by rezoning the described property from General Agriculture (AG-2) to Light Industrial (I-1), and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

3. Exchange of GIS data:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the exchange of GIS data with Home Works Tri-County Electric Cooperative according to the Enhanced Data Access Policy (Policy No.212) contingent upon signing a License Agreement for Isabella County Data sets, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

4. Amalgam LLC, of Mount Pleasant

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Fisher to contract with Amalgam LLC, of Mount Pleasant for the development of the Isabella County Web Based Mobile Application, in the amount of \$2000 for development cost and \$500 for annual hosting and maintenance cost, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

5. Evidence Based Tai Chi for Arthritis Program:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for the Evidence Based Tai Chi for Arthritis Program of the Isabella County Commission on Aging, in the amount of \$4,572, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

6. Individual Service Contracts for Food with Friends Nutrition Program Bulk Drivers:

It was moved by Commissioner Fisher and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Isabella County Commission on Aging Individual Services Contract for the Food with Friends Nutrition Program Bulk Drivers in both Isabella and Gratiot Counties, in the amount indicated on each contract, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

7. Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program with Isabella County Commission on Aging contract, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

8. FY2015 Nutrition Site Agreements:

It was moved by Commissioner Fisher and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Isabella County Commission on Aging Nutrition Site Agreements for FY 2015 through Region VII Area Agency on Aging for the Nutrition Program, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

9. Mid-State Health Network:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno, and seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Establishment of a Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Board for Mid-State Health Network (MSHN), and authorize the board Chair to sign the same. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Jaloszynski, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Fisher. Nays: None.

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee: None

Administrator/Controller: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

General Public Comments:

Jeremy Lainey suggested inviting the 301 parcel owners to the meeting that the Lewis drain affects. He stated he did not come to the meeting to bash the Drain Commissioner, but to find solutions and answers. Commissioner Haupt is disappointed that it only takes 5 people to create the need for a drain. Commissioner Green stated that the Drain Commissioner stated that when hearings were offered only 3 people appeared to comment. Commissioner Moreno listed the State level staff that should be contacted to change things at that level.

Bob Walton, Isabella Twp resident. The notices about drain maintenance don't list the financial impact of a drain to the property owner. If people knew the cost, it would make them show up to the hearings.

Announcements:

Commissioner Horton stated that the Finance and Administration Committee meeting has been moved to Monday Jan 26, 2015 Commissioner Haupt stated that the CJCA has moved to 11am.

Commissioner Ling explained to the General Public the need for the roll calls after all the motions. Jaloszynski stated the work session has been moved to 4:30 pm so that more people can attend.

There will be Michigan Township Association meeting on Wednesday, Jan 21, 2015 at 7pm in room 225 of the County Bldg.

Adjournment: It was moved by Commissioner Trudell and seconded by Commissioner Haupt to adjourn to the call of the chair at 7:45

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