

**Leelanau County Board of Commissioners**  
**Regular Session – Tuesday, June 20, 2023**  
Approved 7/18/2023

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Meeting called to order by Chairman Ty Wessell at 7:00 p.m. Today's meeting is being held at the Government Center, 8527 E. Government Center Drive, Suttons Bay, Michigan.

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Commissioner O'Rourke, followed by a moment of silence.

<u>Roll Call:</u>	District #1	Jamie Kramer	PRESENT
	#2	James O'Rourke	PRESENT
	#3	Doug Rexroat	PRESENT
	#4	Ty Wessell	PRESENT
	#5	Kama Ross	PRESENT
	#6	Gwenne Allgaier	PRESENT
	#7	Melinda C. Lautner	PRESENT

Guests present.

Approval of Minutes:

*#166-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY REXROAT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS: FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2022; WORK SESSION, TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 @ 4:30 P.M.; SPECIAL SESSION, THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023; WORK SESSION, TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023; REGULAR SESSION, TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023; FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE, TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023; EXECUTIVE SESSION, TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023; CLOSED SESSION, TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023; AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY ALLGAIER.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 7 (Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer, Lautner, O'Rourke)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Agenda / Late Additions or Deletions:

Chairman Wessell said that it was recommended that Consent Item #2 – Leelanau County Substance Free Coalition – Approval of Remaining FY 2023 Budget Items and Late Agenda Request #3 – Maintenance, Approval of Correct Invoice, Mini-Split System for Computer Room be removed from the Agenda.

*#167-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY REXROAT THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED (REMOVAL OF CONSENT ITEM #2 – LEELANAU COUNTY SUBSTANCE FREE COALITION – APPROVAL OF REMAINING FY 2023 BUDGET**

**ITEMS AND LATE AGENDA REQUEST #3 – MAINTENANCE, APPROVAL OF CORRECT INVOICE, MINI-SPLIT SYSTEM FOR COMPUTER ROOM). SECONDED BY REXROAT.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 7 (Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer, Lautner, O'Rourke)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Public Comment:

Chairman Wessell called for Public Comment and the following individuals addressed the Board: Bill Wiesner; Steve Mikowski; Renee Wyler; Amede DeCruydt; John Hunter; Harry Steffens; and Keith Beduhn.

The written public comments can be found at the following link:

<https://leelanau.gov/meetingdetails.asp?MAId=2525#handouts>

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Allgaier commented on the wonderful Senior Services Expo today and all the work that went into the event. They had 500 lunches and they were all gone.

Communications, Proclamations, Presentations:

Administrator Update: ● Administrator Deborah Allen reiterated Allgaier's comments and thanked the Commissioners that volunteered at the Expo as well as the staff ● Allen said that she has issued a press release regarding the hiring of Lena Vander Meulen of Suttons Bay for the position of Senior Services Director and reviewed her background. Vander Meulen will start on July 17 ● Allen said that she did meet with the Architects on the lower level build out and it will be re-bid with a new RFP and that she plans to bring bids back to the Commissioners in July. She also said that the scope of the project has been scaled down ● HVAC 2 & 3 will be back to the Board in August as bids are due in July. ● Allen proposed potential dates for a Committee of the Whole for the County Policy documents ● July 18 from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. there will be a County employee/Elected Official ice cream social ● The BPW will meet on the same date at 4:30 p.m. followed by the Regular Session of the Board of Commissioners ● Allen referenced a potential date of August 8, for budget documents ● Allen thanked Clerk Crocker for putting the action items together and it will make our lives much easier.

Annual Report – Leelanau ALICE and Challenges for Young Families, Seniors and Housing:

Beth Verhey of Leelanau ALICE was present regarding ALICE 2023 updates and responded to Commissioner questions.

The PowerPoint can be found at the following link:

[https://www.leelanau.gov/downloads/presentation\\_verhey\\_alice\\_06202023.pdf](https://www.leelanau.gov/downloads/presentation_verhey_alice_06202023.pdf)

Consent Agenda Items:

Chairman Wessell read the following statement: The purpose of the Consent Agenda is to expedite business by grouping non-controversial items together to be dealt with by one motion without discussion. Any Commissioner may ask that any item on the Consent Agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion. Such request(s) will be automatically respected and will not need a second.

No requests were received to remove any items.

*#168-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY REXROAT THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BE APPROVED, AS PRESENTED, MINUS CONSENT ITEM #2, WHICH WAS PREVIOUSLY REMOVED. SECONDED BY LAUTNER.**

Administration/Sheriff's Office – Acceptance of Donation:

*#169-06202023 Regular Session*

**● TO ACCEPT THE DONATION OF A BALLISTIC PROTECTION SHIELD ON BEHALF OF THE LEELANAU COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FROM COUNTY RESIDENT RAY PLEVA.**

Human Resources – Accident Fund Workers Compensation Renewal, Dennis Muth, Peterson McGregor & Associates – Workers Compensation Renewal Agreement Update:

*#170-06202023 Regular Session*

**● TO WAIVE THE POLICY ON BID REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVE RENEWING A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH PETERSON MCGREGOR AND ASSOCIATES FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION COVERAGE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,254.00; FUNDS TO COME FROM #101.830.871.954.000.**

Human Resources – Staffing Requests – Sheriff's Office:

*#171-06202023 Regular Session*

**● TO APPROVE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE REQUEST TO TEMPORARILY ADJUST THE CORRECTIONS SERGEANT APPROVED STAFFING LEVELS FROM 4 TO 5, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM #101.225.351.703.000.**

Human Resources – Staffing Requests – Senior Services Director Overlap:

*#172-06202023 Regular Session*

**● TO APPROVE THE REQUESTED STAFFING LEVEL ADJUSTMENT FOR THE SENIOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSITION OF LEADERSHIP TO A NEW SENIOR SERVICES DIRECTOR, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM FUND #281 FOR A DURATION NOT TO EXCEED TWO WEEKS.**

Information Technology/Sheriff's Office Jail – Purchase of Updated Dell Computers with Software from CML Security:

*#173-06202023 Regular Session*

**● TO WAIVE ITS BID POLICY AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) DELL COMPUTERS AND PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE TO REPLACE EXISTING CONTROL ROOM COMPUTERS THROUGH CML SECURITY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,550.00; FUNDS TO COME FROM #101.225.351.970.000.**

County Clerk – Jury Commission Appointments:

*#174-06202023 Regular Session*

**● TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS TO THE JURY COMMISSION: JANE M. KEEN FOR THE BALANCE OF THE TERM ENDING APRIL 30, 2025; KATHLEEN M. WESSELL FOR THE BALANCE OF THE TERM ENDING APRIL 30, 2029; AND STEVE YODER FOR THE TERM ENDING APRIL 30, 2027.**

Monumentation/Remonumentation – Surveyor Services Agreements – Grand Traverse Surveying – Holmberg Land Survey – Leelanau Land Surveying – O’Non Land Surveying:

*#175-06202023 Regular Session*

- **TO APPROVE THE SURVEYOR SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH O’NON LAND SURVEYING, HOLMBERG LAND SURVEYING, GRAND TRAVERSE SURVEYING, AND LEELANAU LAND SURVEYING AS PREPARED BY CORPORATE COUNSEL, WITH COSTS TO COME FROM THE REMONUMENTATION PROGRAM FOR A TOTAL OF \$28,000.00 WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM #101.475.245.801.000.**

Leland Dam Authority – Approval of Authority Bylaws:

*#176-06202023 Regular Session*

- **TO APPROVE THE LELAND DAM AUTHORITY BYLAWS, AS PRESENTED.**

Buildings & Grounds Concerns – Parks & Recreation – Old Settlers Park, Nancy Lanham Memorial Donation – Bench Purchase – Ladybug Bouncer Purchase:

*#177-06202023 Regular Session*

- **TO ACCEPT THE DONATION FROM THE LANHAM FAMILY IN MEMORY OF NANCY LANHAM, FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FIELDSTONE BENCH AND LADYBUG BOUNCER, TO BE INSTALLED AT OLD SETTLERS PARK.**

FY 2022 Audit Review and Recommendation:

*#178-06202023 Regular Session*

- **TO ACCEPT THE FY 2022 YEAR END FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDIT, AS PRESENTED.**

Administration – Maintenance – Law Enforcement Center (LEC) Mini-Split Upgrades Additional Costs – Standard Electric:

*#179-06202023 Regular Session*

- **TO WAIVE ITS BID POLICY AND PAY STANDARD ELECTRIC FOR THE ADDITIONAL ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE INSTALLATION OF THE MITSUBISHI COOLING SYSTEM FOR THE LEC SERGEANT’S ROOM, AS PRESENTED; FUNDS TO COME FROM THE CAPITAL PROJECTS BUILDING FUND #470.000.000.970.000.**

Administration – Maintenance – Law Enforcement Center (LEC) Mini-Split Upgrades Additional Costs – Lutz Roofing:

*#180-06202023 Regular Session*

- **TO WAIVE ITS BID POLICY AND PAY LUTZ ROOFING FOR THE ADDITIONAL ROOF WORK PERFORMED FOR INSTALLATION OF THE MITSUBISHI COOLING SYSTEM FOR THE LEC COMPUTER ROOM AS PRESENTED; FUNDS TO COME FROM THE CAPITAL PROJECTS BUILDING FUND #470.000.000.970.000.**

*#181-06202023 Regular Session*

- **TO WAIVE ITS BID POLICY AND PAY LUTZ ROOFING FOR THE ADDITIONAL ROOF WORK PERFORMED FOR INSTALLATION OF THE MITSUBISHI COOLING SYSTEM FOR THE LEC COMPUTER ROOM AS PRESENTED; FUNDS TO COME FROM THE CAPITAL PROJECTS BUILDING FUND #470.000.000.970.000.**

Administration – Finance Stipend, Six Month Extension:

*#182-062023 Regular Session*

- **TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATOR’S PLAN FOR AUDIT SUPPORT/TRAINING OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR, THE ASSISTANT FINANCE DIRECTOR, ACCOUNT CLERK, AND HUMAN RESOURCES AS PRESENTED.**

Administration – Per Diem Discussion – Suggested Revisions to – FY 2023 Rules of Order and Procedure:

*#183-062023 Regular Session*

- **TO ACCEPT THE AMENDMENTS TO THE 2023 RULES OF ORDER AND PROCEDURE OF THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT ARE LEGALLY REQUIRED AND HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS AND EXCLUDE, SPECIFICALLY, SUGGESTED CHANGES TO ARTICLE VI D(1)(o)(i) and ARTICLE D(2)(l)(i) [BOTH RELATIVE TO REVIEW OF FINANCIAL – REVIEW OF COMMISSIONER CURRENT/ YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENSES REIMBURSEMENT/PER DIEMS].**

Administration – Per Diem Discussion – Suggested Revisions to – Approval of Per Diem List – County Board – Appointments:

*#184-062023 Regular Session*

- **TO APPROVE THE PER DIEM COMPENSATION FOR THE 2023 APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AS PRESENTED, TO INCLUDE “COUNTY PAID” PER DIEM FOR THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, THE PLANNING COMMISSION’S HOUSING ACTION COMMITTEE AND THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES’ AG & TOURISM COMMITTEE.**

Administration – Per Diem Discussion – Suggested Revisions to – Additional Requests for Compensation:

No action taken, handled in Motion *#184-062023 Regular Session*, above.

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 7 (Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer, Lautner, O’Rourke)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Human Resources – Staffing Requests – Probate Court:

Administrator Allen gave an overview of the request before Commissioners.

*#185-062023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY ALLGAIER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE CURRENT 28 HOUR A WEEK PART-TIME DEPUTY PROBATE REGISTER POSITION BE INCREASED TO A 35 HOUR FULL-TIME POSITION EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AMOUNTING TO A PROBATE COURT BUDGET AMENDMENT OF APPROXIMATELY \$5,500.00 FOR THE DURATION OF 2023 AND FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF A FULL-TIME DEPUTY PROBATE REGISTER IN UPCOMING BUDGETS. SECONDED BY O’ROURKE.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 6 (Allgaier, Kramer, O’Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell)**

**NO – 1 (Lautner)**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Leelanau Township Tower – Cherryland Electric Agreement:

Administrator Allen gave an overview of the request before Commissioners.

*#186-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY ROSS THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE TOWER SPACE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR CHERRYLAND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE AT THE CENTRAL TOWER, GOVERNMENT CENTER TOWER, OMENA TOWER, AND THE PROPOSED LEELANAU TOWNSHIP TOWER AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT PENDING APPROVAL FROM CORPORATE COUNSEL. SECONDED BY ALLGAIER.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 6 (Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer, O'Rourke, Rexroat)**

**NO – 0**

**ABSTAIN – 1 (Lautner)**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Leelanau Township Tower – Tower Construction Bid Review/Recommendation:

Allen gave an overview of the request for Commissioners.

*#187-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AWARD THE LEELANAU TOWNSHIP TOWER PROJECT BID TO MIDWAY ELECTRONICS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$405,500.00, AND APPROVE AN AGREEMENT, PENDING COUNSEL REVIEW AND APPROVAL. SECONDED BY ALLGAIER.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 7 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Leelanau Township Tower – Landowner Lease Agreement:

Allen gave an overview of the request before Commissioners, no legal concerns.

*#188-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY REXROAT THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE LAND LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE LEELANAU TOWNSHIP TOWER PROJECT BETWEEN LEELANAU COUNTY AND BRIAN AND KELLY MITCHELL AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT, PENDING CORPORATE COUNSEL REVIEW AND APPROVAL. SECONDED BY KRAMER & ROSS.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 7 (Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer, Lautner, O'Rourke)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Wessell said that Leelanau Township will thank you when this is done.

Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative – Resolution to Establish an Intermunicipality Committee Under Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 for Purposes of Transportation Planning in the Traverse Study Area:

Administrator Allen said that there was a resolution that was shared with Commissioners last week regarding the establishment of an Intermunicipality Committee under the Public Act, and this is in essence to address the request MDOT for urban area or metropolitan area. Elmwood Township affected by this and it is also supported by the Road Commission, the Airport, and BATA. This will give Leelanau County a seat at the table.

#189-06202023 Regular Session

**MOTION BY KRAMER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE LEELANAU COUNTY RESOLUTION #2023-008, "RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AN INTERMUNICIPALITY COMMITTEE UNDER MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 200 OF 1957, FOR PURPOSES OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING IN THE TRAVERSE STUDY AREA," AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY O'ROURKE.**

Discussion – none.

**ROLL CALL: Kramer – YES; Lautner – NO; O'Rourke – YES; Rexroat – YES; Ross – YES; Wessell – YES; Allgaier – YES.**

**AYES – 6      NO – 1**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**Leelanau County Resolution #2023–008  
Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative**

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AN INTERMUNICIPALITY COMMITTEE UNDER  
MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 200 OF 1957 FOR PURPOSES OF TRANSPORTATION  
PLANNING IN THE TRAVERSE STUDY AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the urban transportation planning regulations implementing sections of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962, and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, require that each urbanized area, as a condition of receipt of Federal transportation capital or operating assistance, having a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive (3-C) transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively plan development of the urbanized area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative was initiated in 2023 to conduct a transportation planning process in response to the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962 and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, urban transportation planning funds from the United States Department of Transportation are available, directly or indirectly, to the Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative to carry out the transportation planning process in the Traverse Study Area; and

**WHEREAS**, Leelanau County agrees to participate with other local municipalities in the comprehensive, cooperative and continuing transportation planning process for that Traverse Study Area; and

**WHEREAS**, Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 provides for the creation, by two or more municipalities, of an Intermunicipality Committee for the purpose of studying area problems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Intermunicipality Committee may accept gifts and grants from the Federal, State and Local Governments, also from private individuals, foundations or agencies, if such grants are made for furtherance of the objectives for which the Intermunicipality Committee is established; and

**WHEREAS**, a resolution to join in creating an Intermunicipality Committee as provided by Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957, does not obligate Leelanau County to any dues, fees or other financial commitments to the Intermunicipality Committee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that Leelanau County, together with the City of Traverse City, the Charter Township of East Bay, the Charter Township of Garfield, the Charter Township of Elmwood, the Township of Acme, the Township of Long Lake, the Township of Peninsula, the Township of Green Lake, the Township of Bingham, the Bay Area Transportation Authority, the Leelanau County Road Commission and the Grand Traverse County Road Commission has duly considered the creation of such an Intermunicipality Committee and Leelanau County does hereby agree to join with those municipalities similarly agreeing to jointly and mutually establish and organize an Intermunicipality Committee under Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 for the purpose of studying the area transportation problems of mutual interest and concern, such Intermunicipality Committee hereinafter referred to as the Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Intermunicipality Committee created by this resolution shall be that organization previously established and presently operating as a voluntary association under the name Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative;
2. In addition to the municipalities herein named, and accordance with the Bylaws, the Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative as an Intermunicipality Committee shall include a duly appointed representative from the Grand Traverse County Road Commission, Leelanau County Road Commission, Federal Highway Administration, Michigan Department of Transportation, Bay Area Transportation Authority, and Airport Authority;
3. Membership on the Committee may in the future include other such units of government, agencies, commissions or committees that would be eligible in accordance with the Bylaws;
4. The Bylaws, as approved by the Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative and attached hereto, shall be the Bylaws of the Intermunicipality Committee;
5. The Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative shall operate and act in compliance with and under the authority of Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 and shall have the duties, privileges and rights prescribed in that Act;
6. The Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative shall develop transportation plans and programs for the Traverse Urbanized Area, integrally considering local, county, regional and state plans;
7. The Traverse Transportation Coordinating Initiative broad objectives encompass, but are not limited to the following:
  - a. To develop transportation plans and programs and establish processes for the continuing review of plans, recommendations, and programs to facilitate the movement of persons and goods in the Traverse Study Area;



- b. To design and carry out the assembling and analysis of information pertaining to transportation within the area;
- c. To coordinate transportation facility implementation and operation within the Traverse Study Area;
- d. To review and evaluate the planning and programming of transportation related activities, projects and programs within the Traverse Study Area as they may impact the transportation system;
- e. To assist in project implementation where such projects require organizational, functional and operational analysis and/or to undertake those implementation functions not reserved to other agencies or as may be appropriately delegated by such other agencies; and
- f. To establish and implement a continuing program of public information regarding transportation planning, programs and projects.

Signatories to this resolution mutually agree to join in and ascribe to this comprehensive, continuing and cooperative transportation planning process for the Traverse Study Area, in fulfillment of the requirements of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962, the Urban Mass Transportation Administration Act of 1964, as amended, and other relevant acts, regulations, or directives pertaining to Federal and State participation in the transportation planning program and projects in the TC/Garfield Urbanized Area.

Late Addition Request #1 – VA, Approval of Three (3) County Veterans Service Fund Grant Applications: (wording provided on the EDS has been amended)

*#190-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY ALLGAIER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2024 COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE FUND GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE MICHIGAN VETERAN AFFAIRS AGENCY AS PRESENTED ALONG WITH THE FY 24 PROJECT/BUDGET AMENDMENT. SECONDED BY ROSS.**

Discussion – Administrator Allen gave brief overview and Clerk Crocker responded to questions and explained the applications and budget amendment request.

**AYES – 7 (Allgaier, Kramer, Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Late Addition Request #2 – Planning, Approval of rural Readiness Grant Application:

(wording provided on the EDS has been amended)

Administrator Allen explained the request before Commissioners.

*#191-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY ROSS THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF THE MDARD RURAL READINESS GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION IN SUPPORT OF A COUNTY GRANT WRITER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 SECONDED BY KRAMER & ALLGAIER.**

Discussion – Commissioner Lautner said that this is for one year and Allen affirmed. Lautner asked if this would need to be an employee or if it could be contracted out, to see how useful it is and Lautner would like to know prior to an award being accepted. Allen commented that this would require a 20% match, which could be in-kind if awarded and accepted.

**AYES – 7 (Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer, Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Review of Financials:

Commissioner Lautner inquired with Hartesvelt, Zywicki, and Crocker prior to the meeting and had all of her questions answered.

Committee Reports, Recommendations, and Resolutions:

None.

Special Reports by Staff, Commissioners, and Affiliated Agencies:

Finance Director Sean Cowan offered comments. He wanted to take a minute to update Commissioners on following up on last week's Executive Session and the discussion on the audit findings and questions on MERS. Cowan said that "we" had a follow-up meeting last week with Tony [Radjenovich, MERS Regional Manager] and had a good discussion on the County Plan [s] and its performance and future expectations. Cowan continued that the action item going forward, thinks there is a timing issue and an opportunity to engage with MERS in some of those discussion. Cowan continued that Radjenovich had referenced previous discussions with Commissioners and Cowan suggested having him come forward during budget.

Public Comment:

Linda Shimek; Bill Wiesner; John Harbottle; Renee Wyler; and Steve Mikowski.

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Commissioner Comments:

- Commissioner O'Rourke commented that he read online that Grand Traverse County was just named the cocaine capital of the United States. He spoke about having worked undercover and supporting the Sheriff's Office and stopping drugs and they are doing a fine job.
- Commissioner Ross resident of the County for over 10 years. We are leaders and we are led in our Elections by one of the most ethical people in the State of Michigan and we are providing our voters with a safe secure voting experience.

- Commissioner Allgaier agrees with that and she has sat in on elections for years and we have an excellent voting system. She referenced July's meetings and that there are a lot of grants available and she hopes that we get the grant. Allgaier also hopes that there is grant money for energy efficiency and energy projects and she would like Leelanau County to be a leader in that area as well. If there are things that can be done, let's do that too.

Approval of Financials —  
Amendments & Transfers:  
None.

Miscellaneous Fund Transfers and Amendments:  
None.

Claims and Accounts:

*#192-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$394,730.78. SECONDED BY O'ROURKE.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 7 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Post Audit Claims and Accounts:

*#193-06202023 Regular Session*

**MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE POST AUDIT CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,145,376.27. SECONDED BY ALLGAIER.**

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 7 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Kramer)**

**NO – 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment:

Motion by Rexroat to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Wessell at 8:21 p.m.

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Ty Wessell, Chairman  
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners

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Michelle L. Crocker, Leelanau County Clerk  
Clerk, Leelanau County Board of Commissioners