

**Muskegon County
Ways & Means Committee
February 4, 2020
3:30 p.m.
Hall of Justice
990 Terrace Street
Muskegon, MI**

Robert Scolnik, Chair

Charles Nash, Vice-Chair

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Scolnik at 4:49 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Gary Foster, Susie Hughes, Zach Lahring, Ken Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Marcia Hovey-Wright

Excused: John Snider, II

Also

Present: Mark Eisenbarth, County Administrator; Kathy Tharp, Administrative Coordinator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Foster, supported by Commissioner Hovey-Wright, to approve the minutes of January 21, 2020, as written. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (On an agenda item.)

Malinda Pego addressed the Board regarding motions WM20/02-15 and 16.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

WM20/02 – 08 It was moved by Chairman Hughes, supported by Commissioner Foster, to approve payment of the accounts payable of \$25,620,032.00, covering the period of January 11, 2020 through January 24, 2020 for checks and December 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 for P-Card and EFT payments, as presented by the County Clerk. Motion carried.

WM20/02 – 09 It was moved by Commissioner Nash, supported by Commissioner Mahoney, to approve the license agreement between the County of Muskegon and the Burning Foot Beer Festival/Michigan Brewers Guild to host the Burning Foot Beer Festival at Heritage Landing August 29, 2020, to allow on-site festival camping at the facility per

the agreement, and to authorize the Chairperson of the County Board to execute the agreement. Motion carried.

- WM20/02 – 10 It was moved by Chairman Hughes, supported by Commissioner Hovey-Wright, to approve and enact the Muskegon County Monumentation & Remonumentation Plan 2020 as presented by the Muskegon County Surveyor. Motion carried.
- WM20/02 – 11 It was moved by Commissioner Nash, supported by Chairman Hughes, to discontinue the Muskegon 25, the economic development incentive partnership with the City of Muskegon County. Motion carried.
- WM20/02 – 12 It was moved by Chairman Hughes, supported by Commissioner Mahoney, to authorize renewing the contract with Cherry Health for a term of one (1) year beginning March 31, 2020 with a 3% increase in the square foot rent. [Lahring – No] Motion carried.
- WM20/02 – 13 It was moved by Commissioner Foster, supported by Chairman Hughes, to authorize renewing the contract with Miedema Auctioneering, Inc. to provide surplus equipment auction services for a term of one (1) year starting September 24, 2019 per the terms stated in the contract. Motion carried.
- WM20/02 – 14 It was moved by Commissioner Foster, supported by Commissioner Mahoney, to authorize staff to issue a request for qualifications from engineering/architectural firms to perform a space needs and facility condition assessment on County facilities and evaluate space alternatives. [Lahring – No] Motion carried.
- WM20/02 – 15 It was moved by Commissioner Mahoney, supported by Commissioner Wilkins, to authorize the adoption of the attached resolution to waive the monthly interest charge of 1% and the administrative fee of 4% for the period March 1st to April 30th for 2019 delinquent taxes (first year of delinquency) for a senior citizen, paraplegic, hemiplegic, quadriplegic, eligible serviceman, eligible veteran, eligible widow, totally and permanently disabled person, or blind person in accordance with sections 211.59 and 211.51 of the General Property Tax Act 206 of 1893, as amended. [Lahring – No] Motion carried.
- WM20/02 – 16 It was moved by Chairman Hughes, supported by Commissioner Mahoney, to authorize the adoption of the attached resolution allowing the County of Muskegon Treasurer to borrow up to twelve

million dollars (\$12,000,000) against the anticipated 2019 delinquent real property taxes. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

FINAL BOARD COMMENT

Commissioner Mahoney thanked Director Phillips for a tour of the IT department. Administrator Eisenbarth reminded the Board of the STIR networking event on February 6, 2020.

Commissioner Hughes reminded the Board of the Supreme Court Justice visit on February 6, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Ways & Means Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.