

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 18, 2014

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte, Wednesday, June 18, 2014.

Chairman Mulder called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given by all.

Commissioner Miars gave the invocation.

Roll call. Commissioners present; Michael Hosey, Blake Mulder, Terrance Augustine, Howard T. Spence, James Osieczonek, Jane M. Whitacre, Glenn Freeman, Joseph Brehler, Walter Miars, Roger Eakin, Wayne Ridge, Dale Barr, Jeremy Whittum, Roger Harris. Commissioners absent: L. Daryl Baker.

Agenda Amendments:

Commissioner Mulder requested moving Treasurer Robinson's presentation to precede Colette Scrimger, Health Officer BEDHD presentation. Commissioner Hosey moved the agenda be approved as amended. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler. Carried.

Commissioner Augustine moved the minutes of May 21, 2014 be approved as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Freeman. Carried.

Communications.

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Presentation – Bob Robinson, Treasurer (on file)

Presentation – Colette Scrimger, Health Officer, BEDHD (on file)

Presentation – Tim McGuire, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Counties (on file)

Chairman Mulder moved the approval of #14-6-56 Resolution of Appreciation for Lonny Mascho Corrections Officer.

WHEREAS, Lonny Mascho retired from Eaton County on June 13, 2014 after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Lonny worked in the Sheriff's Department from June 26, 1989 until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Lonny has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Lonny's many years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Lonny for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to him in the next chapter of his life; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 18th day of the month of June in the year 2014.

Seconded by Commissioner Barr. Carried.

Chairman Mulder moved the approval of #14-6-57 Resolution of Appreciation for Richard Watkins, Delta Township Manager.

WHEREAS, Richard Watkins will be retiring from Delta Township on July 11, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Richard served as the Township Manager from April 17, 1993 until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Richard provided leadership to the Township through both prosperous and difficult economic periods; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure at the Township Richard was instrumental in developing, fostering and increasing collaborative initiatives and partnerships within the County and the Greater Tri-County Region; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Richard's many years of dedicated public service and leadership at the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Richard Watkins for years of exceptional service to Delta Township and Eaton County as a whole and expresses its best wishes to him in the next chapter of his life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 18th day of the month of June in the year 2014.

Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried.

Public Comment. Becky Henne, MSU Extension invited the Board to attend the 2014 Eaton County 4-H Fair Chicken Barbeque Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

Commissioner Ridge moved the approval of #14-6-58 Resolution to Recognize the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Tri-County Office on Aging.

WHEREAS, Tri-County Office on Aging (TCOA) was founded in 1974 to serve the aging population in Ingham, Eaton, and Clinton Counties; and

WHEREAS, the agency's focus is to reach out to older and aging residents to address their multiple needs through a comprehensive approach, and administer a full range of coordinated programs which will have a positive impact on the community; and

WHEREAS, TCOA provides a wide-range of programs in the tri-county area, including, Meals On Wheels, Community-Based Care Transitions Program and the

Michigan Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) and provides educational programs for the older and aging and their families.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners recognizes the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Tri-County Office on Aging in 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners thanks TCOA for all of its efforts to improve the quality of life for older and aging residents of Eaton County throughout its history.

Seconded by Commissioner Harris. Carried.

Commissioner Freeman moved the approval of #14-6-59 Resolution to Approve the Competitive Grant Assistance Program (CGAP) Request with the Michigan Department of Treasury.

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Treasury Competitive Grant Assistance Program (CGAP) is designed to provide assistance for local governments to collaborate and combine operations; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Tri-County region including but not limited to Eaton County, the City of Lansing, the City of East Lansing, Meridian Township, and the Regional Recycling Coordinating Committee is interested in applying for a CGAP grant to fund a regional feasibility study conducted by Resource Recycling Systems, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the feasibility study will provide an overview and assessment of the implementation and operational costs, necessary policy framework, revenue potential, and benefits of each municipal management option which may include authority-model program or facility management, joint-contracting for services, regional policies, franchising, cost and revenue sharing, program consistency, and recycling incentives; and

WHEREAS, the CGAP grant funding request is up to \$15,000, with the required matching funds identified by the participating local units, including \$9,000 of matching support by Eaton County for the award period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, this request has been reviewed by the Public Works and Planning Committee on June 11, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the submission of the CGAP application on behalf of the coalition of participating local governments by the Resource Recovery Department, if necessary and if awarded, accepts the grant in conformity with the grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign all of the necessary contracts or documents.

Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried.

Commissioner Freeman moved the approval of #14-6-60 Resolution Authorizing Local Roads and Streets Repair and Rehabilitation Millage Proposal and Certifying Ballot Language.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Road Commission has requested a Local Roads and Streets Repair and Rehabilitation Millage Proposal be placed on the November 2014 General Election ballot; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to have the voters of the County determine whether or not they desire to raise funds for the purposes of rehabilitation, restoration, and resurfacing of existing paved and gravel surfaced county local roads and municipal streets in Eaton County, and including two (2) applications of dust control each year on all gravel surfaced county local roads in Eaton County, by approving an ad valorem property tax levy in an amount not to exceed 1.5000 of a mill for a period of twelve (12) years, 2014 through 2025, inclusive.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following question shall be submitted to a vote of the electorate in the general election to be held on November 4, 2014:

Local Roads and Streets Repair and  
Rehabilitation Millage Proposal

For the sole purpose of funding the rehabilitation, restoration, and resurfacing of existing paved and gravel surfaced county local roads within the townships and municipal streets in Eaton County, and including two (2) applications of dust control each year on all gravel surfaced county local roads within the townships in Eaton County, shall the Constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all property within the County of Eaton, Michigan, be increased, and shall the County be authorized to levy, up to 1.5000 of a mill (\$1.5000 on each \$1,000 dollars of taxable value) for a period of twelve (12) years, 2014 to 2025, inclusive ?

If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$4,917,284 in 2014, to be disbursed to the Eaton County Road Commission, the Cities of Charlotte, Eaton Rapids, Grand Ledge, Lansing, Potterville, and Olivet, and the Villages of Bellevue, Dimondale, Mulliken, Sunfield and Vermontville. As required by State law, a small portion of the millage (approximately \$72,776 in 2014) may be captured by the Downtown Development Authorities, Tax Increment Financing Authorities, Local Development Financing Authorities and Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Authorities established in cities of Charlotte, Eaton Rapids, Grand Ledge, Potterville and Olivet and the Village of Bellevue.

YES

NO

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this question is hereby certified to the County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to cause the proposed to be stated on the November 4, 2014 ballot and to be prepared and distributed in the manner required by law.

Seconded by Commissioner Eakin. Discussion held. Roll call vote. Ayes: Michael Hosey, Blake Mulder, Terrance Augustine, Howard T. Spence, Jane M. Whitacre, Glenn Freeman, Joseph Brehler, Walter Miars, Roger Eakin, Wayne Ridge, Dale Barr, Jeremy Whittum, Roger Harris. Nays: James Osieczonek. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of the 2014 Tax Limitation Valuations Statements of Computations. Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried. (on file)

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #14-6-61 Resolution to Adopt 2014 Summer Property Tax Levy and Notice of Certification of County Allocated Tax Levy.

WHEREAS, Eaton County is authorized under the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, as amended, to levy and collect County allocated property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act has been amended by Public Act 357 of 2004 being 211.44a, to require all Michigan Counties to impose a summer tax levy in 2007 and each year thereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004, the Eaton County allocated tax shall be levied and collected on July 1, 2014, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.2149 mills for General County Operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of each city and township in Eaton County is directed to account for and deliver the full County allocated tax collections for 2014 in accordance with the provisions of Public Act 357 of 2004; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution constitutes certification of the levy of the County allocated tax and authorized collection of the County allocated tax July 1, 2014, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.2149 mills.

Seconded by Commissioner Freeman. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #14-6-62 Resolution to Rescind the Eaton County Board of Commissioners' November 17, 1999 Resolution Electing to have the State of Michigan Foreclose Property Forfeited to the County Treasurer Pursuant to Subsection 78 (3) of Public Act no. 206 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1893, as Amended (MCL 211.78ag)

WHEREAS, on November 17, 1999, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners adopted a "Resolution. Electing to Have the State of Michigan Foreclose Property Forfeited to the County Treasurer Pursuant to Subsection 78(3) of Public Act No. 206 of the Michigan Public Act of 1893, as Amended," in order to permit the State of Michigan to foreclosure property forfeited to the Eaton County Treasurer, pursuant to Act 206; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of Subsection 78 (3b) of Public Act No. 206 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1893, as Amended, permitted, "At any time during

December 2004, the County Board of Commissioners, with the concurrence of the County Treasurer, to rescind" its November 17, 1999 "Resolution Electing to have the State of Michigan Foreclose Property Forfeited to the County Treasurer Pursuant to Subsection 78(3) of Public Act No. 206 of the Michigan Public Act of 1893, as Amended," so that the County Treasurer thereafter can foreclose property forfeited to the Eaton County Treasurer, pursuant to Act 206; and WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners did not pass such a resolution during December 2004; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners of a County that has elected to have property forfeited under section 78g foreclosed by this state under this act may, by a resolution adopted at a meeting held pursuant to the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275, and with the written concurrence of the County Treasurer and County Controller, if any, rescind its prior resolution by which it elected to have this state foreclose property under this act forfeited to the County Treasurer under section 78g.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners, in concurrence with the County Treasurer and County Controller, does hereby rescind its November 17, 1999 "Resolution Electing to have the State of Michigan Foreclose Property Forfeited to the County Treasurer under Subsection 78g of Public Act No. 206 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1893, as amended," and shall act as the foreclosing governmental unit under this act for all property forfeited to the county treasurer, pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 78 (5) of Public Act 132 of 2014 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1893, as amended;

Seconded by Commissioner Hosey. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #14-6-63 Resolution Approve Central Dispatch Console Replacement Project and Financing Proposal.

WHEREAS, Motorola Solutions Inc. submitted a proposal to replace the Central Dispatch consoles to Eaton County on May 14, 2014; and

WHEREAS, such Proposal has been reviewed by the Public Safety Committee and the Ways and Means Committee and has determined that a need exists for the acquisition of the equipment as presented; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the project will not exceed \$740,375 with three-year financing at 0% interest; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Public Safety and Committee and the Ways and Means Committee recommend approval of this project and recommend approval of a three (3) year financing contract with Motorola Solutions Credit Company LLC at an interest rate of 0% in an amount not to exceed \$740,375 with the first payment scheduled for July 1, 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves the proposed project and entering into the Lease Agreement with Motorola Solutions Credit Company to finance the project as presented, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson be authorized to sign the necessary agreements and documents.

Seconded by Commissioner Whittum. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #14-6-64 Resolution to Increase Circuit Court Clerk Petty Cash.

WHEREAS, the County Clerk has a petty cash fund in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office in the amount of \$100.00 in order to make change when receipting cash payments; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk has requested to increase the petty cash fund in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office to \$200 to establish a separate cash drawer for both employees responsible for receipting payments per the recommendation of the State Court Administrative Office; and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has reviewed the request and recommended approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves the increase in petty cash from \$100 to \$200 to establish a second cash drawer in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk follow the Eaton County Petty Cash policy dated June 2, 1996 and any violation of this policy may result in the Petty Cash fund being returned to the County.

Seconded by Commissioner Freeman. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #14-6-65 Resolution to Approve 2013/2014 Budget Amendments.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2013/2014 Appropriations Act of September 18, 2013 states that any amendment to increase a salary and/or a Capital Outlay line-item in excess of \$2,500.00 or any amendment to increase the total budget of any fund or department in excess of \$2,500.00 shall be amended by the Board of Commissioners, except that any amendment to decrease the General Fund Contingency shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, such amendments are needed in order to comply with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act of 1978, P.A. 621.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments be approved and added to the 2013/2014 Eaton County Budget:

GENERAL FUNDS

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Increase	Vehicle- Animal Control	\$ 28,992
Increase	Equipment - Animal Control	\$ 5,000
Decrease	Sheriff Department County Division - Salaries	\$ 33,992

To increase capital outlay budget to replace an Animal Control truck with savings within the Sheriff Department Salary Line Items due to vacant positions.

Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of claims as audited by the Ways and Means Committee in the amount of \$413,209.16 and to accept the report of previously authorized payments.

Seconded by Commissioner Harris. Carried.

Public Comment: Darrel Tennis, 5675 Stine Road, Charlotte, spoke regarding the Eaton County November road and street repair and rehabilitation millage proposal.

No Unfinished Business, Old Business or New Business.

Commissioner Comment: Commissioner Augustine commented on the Yankee Doodle Days, June 19-22. Commissioner Harris commented on the Eaton Rapids 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. Commissioner Hosey invited Commissioners to 4-H Eaton County Fair. Commissioner Spence commented on Delta Rocks - June 28<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Mulder commented on the Employee Appreciation Picnic.

Chairman Mulder adjourned the meeting to Wednesday July 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

*Blake Mulder*  
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Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

*Diana Bosworth*  
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Clerk of the Board of Commissioners