EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 17, 2016

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte, Wednesday, August 17, 2016

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

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

Commissioner Lautzenheiser 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, Brian Lautzenheiser, Jeremy Whittum, Barbara Rogers. Commissioner Kent C. Austin arrived after roll call. Commissioners absent: none

There were no additions to the agenda.

Commissioner Eakin moved the agenda be approved as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Ridge. Carried.

Commissioner Hosey moved the minutes of July 20, 2016 be approved as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried.

Communications:

Letter received from Robert J. Hanchar, 635 Flanders Road, regarding drainage concerns near the Crandell Lake Property. (on file)

Sheriff Department Annual Report 2015. (on file)

Chairman Mulder moved the approval of #16-8-69 Resolution of Appreciation for Sergeant Scott Bair Sheriff's Office.

WHEREAS, Scott Bair will retire from Eaton County on August 11, 2016 after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Scott worked in the Sheriff's Office from August 5, 1991 to August 11, 2016, until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Scott 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 Scott's years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Scott 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 17th day of the month of August in the year 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Freeman. Carried

Public Comment: Brian Guilford, 248 Charlotte Street, Mulliken, spoke regarding the traffic stop involving his son that resulted in his son's death.

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved to establish a local board for the Emergency Food & Shelter Program from the Department of Homeland Security for the Tri-County Region and that the Board of Commissioners create and formalize its representation and participation on the local EFSP board. He recommended that Commissioners Wally Miars and Jane Whitacre be appointed to the EFSP Board through December 31, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Ridge. Carried.

Commissioner Whittum moved the approval of #16-8-70 Resolution Naming the Veterans' Treatment Court.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts created a Veterans' Treatment Specialty Court in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Hon. Jeffrey Sauter was instrumental in its implementation and initial success; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Advisory Board, the Court and the Public Safety Committee wish to recognize Judge Sauter's contribution to the judicial system in the County by naming this Court in his memory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this specialty Court be known as the J. Sauter Veterans' Treatment Court in the County. Seconded by Commissioner Austin. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of MER Annual Meeting Delegate Certification, with Commissioner Brehler as Officer Delegate and John Fuentes as Officer Alternate, Nathan Nighbert as Employee Delegate and Yvonne Ridge as Employee Alternate. Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the payment of Michigan Association of Counties Membership Dues in the amount of \$13,238.59. Seconded by Commissioner Freeman. Discussion held. Nays: Austin, Brehler, Freeman, Hosey. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #16-8-71 Resolution Declaring International Housekeepers Week.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Commissioners recognize the Eaton County Custodial staff as professionals who maintain a clean, safe and healthy environment for public and staff on the Eaton County Complex,

WHEREAS, in 1981 Oneita Dease and Doug Slingerland came up with the idea to recognize the "doers" in the housekeeping field naming it National Housekeepers week and then became International Housekeepers week on July of 1996.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners does hereby set aside the week of September 11 - 17, 2016 to focus attention and recognition of the Eaton County Custodial staff for International Housekeepers Week.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Resolution shall be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, the Clerk of the County and shall bear the seal of the County. A copy of this resolution will be attached to the permanent records of Eaton County. Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #16-8-72 Resolution to Approve an Application for a Farmland and Open Space Developmental Rights Agreement (Public Act 116 Of 1974, as Amended)

WHEREAS, Ronald L. Spitzley, Trustee of the Ronald L. Spitzley Living Trust filed two Farmland and Open Space Applications for properties located in Roxand Township, with the Eaton County Clerk's Office in May of 2016; and

WHEREAS, these applications include Parcel # 23-020-002-400-032-00 and # 23-020002-100-030-02 of which both parcels total 81.93 acres; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is requesting a 44-year agreement; and

WHEREAS, a copy of these applications was sent to all reviewing agencies as required by the act; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Ways & Means Committee has reviewed these applications and is recommending approval.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 17, 2016 does hereby approve the Farmland and Open Space Applications filed by Ronald L. Spitzley property located in Roxand Township. Seconded by Commissioner Hosey. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #16-8-73 Resolution to Approve an Application for a Farmland and Open Space Developmental Rights Agreement (Public Act 116 Of 1974, as Amended)

WHEREAS, Todd M. & Chanda L. Aves filed a Farmland and Open Space Application for property located in Carmel Township, with the Eaton County Clerk's Office in May of 2016; and

WHEREAS, this application includes Parcel # 23-100-020400-050-01 of which totals 38.34 acres; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is requesting a 10-year agreement; and

WHEREAS, a copy of this application was sent to all reviewing agencies as required by the act; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Ways & Means Committee has reviewed this application and is recommending approval.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 17, 2016 does hereby approve the Farmland and Open Space Application filed by Todd M. & Chanda L. Aves, property located in Carmel Township. Seconded by Commissioner Ridge. Carried

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of #16-8-74 Resolution to Approve 2016/2017 Budget Amendments.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2015/2016 Appropriations Act of September 16, 2015 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 2015/2016 Eaton County Budget:

GENERAL FUND

CONTINGENCY

Increase

Transfers-Out

\$100,000

Decrease

Contingency

\$100,000

To increase total departmental budget for transfer to Retirement Stabilization Fund for legal services.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

COMPUTER FUND

Increase

Capital Outlay

\$ 6,000

Increase

Fund Balance Carryover

\$ 6,000

To increase the Computer Fund budget to upgrade the internet connection at the Prosecutor's Office Economic Crimes Unit satellite office.

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

RETIREMENT STABILIZATION FUND

Increase

Contractual Services

\$100,000

Increase

Transfers-In

\$100,000

To increase the Retirement Stabilization Fund for legal services. Seconded by Commissioner Rogers. Carried.

Commissioner Eakin moved the approval of claims as audited by the Ways and Means Committee in the amount of \$292,790.57 and to accept the report of previously authorized payments. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler. Carried.

Public Comments: Diane Winter, 648 Washington Street, Mulliken spoke regarding an article in the City Pulse regarding a Campaign Finance complaint with the Secretary of State, filed against Sheriff Reich.

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Hosey stated that the Sunfield Farmer's Picnic would be held the weekend of September 20th.

There was no Unfinished Business, Old Business or New Business.

Chairman Mulder adjourned the meeting to Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR SERGEANT SCOTT BAIR SHERIFF'S OFFICE

AUGUST 17, 2016

Introduced by Commissioner Blake Mulder

Commissioner Mulder moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Freeman.

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AUGUST 17, 2016

RESOLUTION NAMING THE VETERANS' TREATMENT COURT

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Whittum moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Austin.

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AUGUST 17, 2016

RESOLUTION DECLARING INTERNATIONAL HOUSEKEEPERS WEEK

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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August 17, 2016

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION FOR A FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE DEVELOPMENTAL RIGHTS AGREEMENT (PUBLIC ACT 116 OF 1974, AS AMENDED)

Introduced by the Ways & Means Committee

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AUGUST 17, 2016

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2015/2016 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

Commissioner Eakin moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Rogers.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2015/2016 Appropriations Act of September 16, 2015 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

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SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

COMPUTER FUND

Increase Capital Outlay \$ 6,000 Increase Fund Balance Carryover \$ 6,000

To increase the Computer Fund budget to upgrade the internet connection at the Prosecutor's Office Economic Crimes Unit satellite office.

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

RETIREMENT STABILIZATION FUND

IncreaseContractual Services\$100,000IncreaseTransfers-In\$100,000

To increase the Retirement Stabilization Fund for legal services. Carried.