

**APPROVED
PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY SESSION – FIRST DAY**

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 9:02 a.m. and was called to order by the Chairperson.

Pastor Bart Spencer, Lighthouse Baptist Church, pronounced the invocation.

Douglas Zylstra led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Present at roll call: Gretchen Cosby, Lucy Ebel, Douglas Zylstra, Jacob Bonnema, Joe Moss, Kyle Terpstra, Rebekah Curran, Sylvia Rhodea, Roger Belknap, Roger Bergman, Allison Miedema. (11)

Public Comments

Public comments were made by the following:

1. Dianne Fikse-Holland Township
2. Darlene Dykstra-Georgetown Township
3. Linda Namenye-Spring Lake Township
4. Joel Studbaker-Jamestown Township
5. Barbara Lee VanHorsen-Grand Haven City
6. Bruce Greenlee-Park Township
7. Donna Mooney-Georgetown Township
8. Tammy Clark-Grand Haven
9. Kristen Meghan Kelly-Jamestown Township
10. Kathleen O'Brien-Port Sheldon Township
11. Stephen Rockman-Grand Haven Township
12. Jeff King-Jamestown Township
13. Karen Obits-Spring Lake Village
14. Ruth Stegeman-Holland City
15. Mary Bockheim-Tallmadge Township
16. Don Bockheim-Tallmadge Township
17. Beth Eegge-Holland Township
18. Tom Parker-City of Zeeland
19. Joe F Spaulding-Holland Township
20. Dan Zimmer-Port Sheldon Township
21. Harvey Nikkel-Georgetown Township
22. Michael Kuras-Spring Lake Township
23. Jack Timmer-Georgetown Township
24. Kristen Hintz-Park Township
25. Cynthia Veldheerd-Holland City
26. Susan Pecking-Grand Haven

27. Kevin Crowe-Allendale Township
28. Walter Davis-Grand Haven

The Chairperson called for a short recess at 10:27 a.m.

The Chairperson called the meeting back to order at 10:39 a.m.

29. Andrea Hendrick-Grand Haven Township
30. James Krol-Georgetown Township
31. Ryan Cotton-Grand Haven City
32. David Morren-Allendale Township
33. Linda Ford-Georgetown Township
34. Elizabeth Brubaker-Holland Township
35. Ken Zahm-Wright Township
36. Candice Malivuk-Park Township
37. Gail Harrison-Grand Haven Township
38. Thomas Coulter-Holland Township
39. Jeanine Kasper-Allendale Township
40. Kathryn Roberts-Grand Haven City
41. Justine Robinson-Holland Township

Correspondence- Senator Mark Huizenga was unable to attend the meeting.

B/C 23-046 Sylvia Rhodea moved to approve the agenda of today with changes to the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council Appointments that will be explained when that motion is reached on the agenda.

The motion passed.

B/C 23-047 Roger Belknap moved to approve the following Consent Resolutions with the removal of C from Consent and move it to an Action Item:

- A. To approve the minutes of December 13, 2022 Board of Commissioners meeting and the January 3, 2023 Board of Commissioners Organizational meeting.
- B. To approve the general claims in the amount of \$17,710,192.43 as presented by the summary report for November 28, 2022 through December 30, 2022.
- C. To receive for information the Correspondence Log.

The motion passed.

B/C 23-048 Roger Belknap moved to ratify all contracts currently pending on the post-execution ratification list as authorized under Section IV(D)(2) of the Ottawa County Contracting Authorization and Form Policy.

The motion passed.

B/C 23-049 Sylvia Rhodea moved to approve and authorize the Board Chairperson and Clerk/Register to sign the Legal Services Agreement with Kallman Legal Group.

The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Gretchen Cosby, Allison Miedema, Lucy Ebel, Roger Belknap, Sylvia Rhodea, Joe Moss. (6)

Nays: Roger Bergman, Douglas Zylstra, Jacob Bonnema, Kyle Terpstra, Rebekah Curran. (5)

B/C 23-050 Douglas Zylstra moved to retain Kallman Legal Group until February 28, 2023, and to open it up to a search process.

The motion failed by the following votes: Nays: Roger Belknap, Gretchen Cosby, Sylvia Rhodea, Allison Miedema, Lucy Ebel, Joe Moss. (6)

Yeas: Rebekah Curran, Jacob Bonnema, Douglas Zylstra, Kyle Terpstra, Roger Bergman. (5)

B/C 23-051 Sylvia Rhodea moved to approve the appointment of County Administrator John Gibbs to the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council Board of Directors and Executive Committee and to remove Douglas Zylstra from the Parks and Recreation Commission, remove Lucy Ebel from the Grand Valley Metro Council and replace her with Kyle Terpstra, remove Roger Bergman from the Insurance Authority and replace him with Lucy Ebel, and remove Gretchen Cosby from the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission.

The motion passed.

Committee Reports-Roger Belknap attended the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and the Economic Development Corporation meetings this past week. He has an upcoming Groundwater Board meeting.

Chairperson Moss called for a short recess at 12:21 p.m.

Chairperson Moss called the meeting back to order at 12:41 p.m.

Public Comment

1. Nathan Adamczyk-Robinson Township
2. David Morren-Allendale Township
3. Harvey Nikkel-Georgetown Township
4. Sheryl DeVries-Holland Township

Zoom Public Comment

1. Sarah Vanderwall-Jamestown Township
2. Oliver Shampine-Grand Haven City
3. Dan Winiarski

The County Administrator's report was presented.

Several Commissioners made comments and gave general information, including Commissioners Zylstra, Commissioner Bergman, Vice-Chairperson Rhodea, Commissioner Bonnema, Commissioner Belknap, and Chairperson Moss.

B/C 23-052 Rebekah Curran moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:07 p.m. The motion passed.

JUSTIN F. ROEBUCK, Clerk/Register
Of the Board of Commissioners

JOE MOSS, Chairperson
Of the Board of Commissioners