

Commissioner's Minutes of July 22, 2008

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 22, 2008. Chairman Whittington called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call found all Commissioners present.

Agenda- no changes were made to the agenda.

The minutes of July 8, 2008 were then reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Posey, supported by Commissioner Reid, to approve as presented. A typo was noted on page 4, #2 under finance-- "hale" should be "held". Correction is noted and will be made. Ayes carried, motion passed, minutes approved with correction.

The semi-monthly Finance Report totaling \$ 106,738.14 was then considered. Motion by Commissioner Rhode, supported by Commissioner Hoag, to approve for payment as presented. Ayes carried, motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sharron Smith – commented on information she had received about problems on the ballots.

Clerk Laura Flach explained the process by which ballots are "proofed" --first by the printer, then by the State and then forward to her for "proof" distribution to all candidates. The State had OK'd printing-but now has found a small error in a State position heading that they want corrected. Ballots were re-printed over the weekend and should be to local Clerks by today. Absentee ballots that have been issued are fine as well as computer programs and test decks. At the direction of the State the re-printed ballots will be used for future AV's and Election Day.

Rick Ghent brought a painting of the original Sportsman's Club by Arlene Sharp, which has been donated by Bob Moffit, and will be hung at the County Recreation facility.

Mike Fagan, candidate for the County Road Commission position, spoke to the Board citing his affiliations and qualifications. Mr. Fagan asked for support in the upcoming election.

Chairman Whittington reported:

- On resolutions that had been received recently and questioned the Board's desire regarding each issue.

Commissioner Hoag moved to adopt the position of Antrim County in opposition to House bill 6112 which would provide binding arbitration for Corrections Officers. Motion died for lack of support.

The resolution of Allegan County in support of HB 5398 was then considered. Motion by Commissioner Reid moved to table any discussion on this matter until further information can be obtained. Motion supported by Commissioner Carl. Ayes carried, motion passed.

A resolution in recognition of contributions of the Resource Conservation & Development Councils was then addressed. Motion by Commissioner Carl, supported by Commissioner Walters, to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Commissioner Walters-yes, Carl-yes, Rhode-yes, Reid-yes, Posey-yes, Hoag-yes and Whittington-yes. Ayes carried, **Resolution #2008-26 declared adopted.** (Resolution attached)

- On communications received from the Dept. of Human Services
- On notice from Frank Starkweather on the USDA ceremony scheduled for July 28 at Ross Lake at 9:45 for receiving grant dollars for the Revolving Loan Fund.
- On communication from MMRMA and the board vacancy to be filled.
- That the shredder company will be here on July 28 at 8 a.m.

Sheriff Shea commented to the Board regarding HB 5398 and HB 6112, noting that Gladwin County is not having problems in their negotiations and that having an arbitrator is often useful.

Steve Alworden, Saginaw Dept. of Health Services, came before the Board regarding the disposal of household hazardous waste. Mr. Alworden spoke on programs he has run on collections of household hazardous waste and how the program works. Comments were had on the 2008 Clean Sweep being held by the City of Gladwin in which County residents can participate.

Commissioner Walters reported:

- That he attended the Sage Township Board meeting on July 9th.
- That he also had attended the Sherman Township meeting
- On attending the recent Democrat meeting
- That he would like to be excused at 9:45 today to attend another meeting in Bay City.

Commissioner Hoag reported:

- That he had attended the Tobacco Township Board meeting on July 14 and discussions on weed control issues
- That the Public Safety committee meeting was not held.
- On attending the July 21st Beaverton City Council meeting.
- On attending the Democratic picnic over the weekend
- That he had also attended the Beaverton tractor pull and the good crowd that the event draws.

Commissioner Carl reported:

- That he attended the Bourret Twp. Board meeting on July 8th, the Clement Township Board meeting on July 9th, the Butman Township Board meeting on July 10th and the Gladwin Township Board meeting on July 16th.
- On the Building and Grounds meeting of July 17th.
- That on July 21st he had attended the Performance Management seminar in Grayling
- On the concerns had by the townships on “pyramid” zoning.
- On re-cycling issues experienced by Butman Township – noting that he (Commissioner Carl) would like to see some type of program done on a county-wide basis.

Commissioner Posey reported:

- That there was not a quorum present for the July 10th Solid Waste meeting.
- On attending the July 15th Fair Board meeting and evaluations of this years event. It was noted that fair dates for 2009 were June 22-26.
- On attending the July 17th Finance committee meeting
- That she also had attended the Democratic Pig Roast over the weekend, noting that Lt. Gov. John Cherry attended as well as other dignitaries.

Commissioner Reid reported:

- On activities and projects discussed at the 7/9 EDC meeting held in Beaverton
- That the Airport meeting was rescheduled again.
- That on 7/16 he attended the Secord Township Board meeting.
- On the 7/17 Buildings and Grounds committee meeting and discussions that were had on the following topics, Elevator Maint., fencing for large animals at Animal Shelter, plumbing leak and request for air purifiers at Jail basement , tower agreements and wireless internet.
- On passage of ORV legislation – noting that it will be addressed in the near future with the Sheriff's Dept. and the County Road Commission.

Commissioner Rhode reported:

- That he attended the EDC meeting on July 19th.
- On attending the C. Mi. Health Finance review meeting
- That he had attended the E. C. P & D. regular meeting as well as the finance meeting –noting that on July 18 the committee approved the salary schedule as well as a new formula for cost allocations to participating counties.
- That on July 21st he had attended the MAC meeting on Performance Management for County Government.
- On the July 15th Housing commission meeting and the work being done with Mid Michigan College and other entities on grant applications for various projects.
- On matters before Finance as follows:
 1. That **Gypsy Moth** Coordinator Gina Conrad has requested a **new laptop** for her office, with the total cost of \$1847.92 to be paid from 239-000-933.000 if approved. Motion by Commissioner Rhode, support by Commissioner Carl to approve as requested. Ayes carried, motion passed. Commissioner Reid voting no.
 2. That **Medical Examiner Dr. Barb Miller** has requested that the county assist with payment for the **fall medical examiner conference fees**. Cost of the conference is \$285.00 plus mileage. Since this expenditure has not been budgeted for – if approved the Board would need to direct where costs would be paid from. Motion by Commissioner Reid, supported by Commissioner Rhode to approve attendance with payment from General Fund Contingency. Ayes carried, motion passed. Commissioner Whittington voting no.

COUNTY OF GLADWIN
Resolution # 2008-26

Whereas, Resource Conservation & Development Councils have contributed countless hours of community service to help people care for and protect their natural resources in a way that will improve the area's economy, environment, and living standards since 1964; and

Whereas, the Saginaw Bay R C & D Council, through it's providing a way for people to work together to plan and carry out activities that has made our County a better place to live;

Now therefore, as the Board of Commissioners of Gladwin County, we hereby proclaim the week of September 21, 2008, to be "R C & D Week" in Gladwin County, to recognize the fact that during this week, across the nation, Resource Conservation and Development Councils are performing community service projects to improve their communities.

And further, we congratulate the Resource Conservation and Development Councils for its continued success in brightening the future of our communities by bringing together diverse groups of local volunteers to strengthen the spirit of community service in our county, no only this week but throughout the year.

Adopted this 22nd day of July by the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners, in the City of Gladwin, Gladwin, Michigan.