

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**This meeting was conducted via Zoom per Governor Gretchen Whitmer's executive orders during the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic.**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present:

Remote: David Heeres, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, Terry VanAlstine, Brenda Ricksgers, Dawn LaVanway, and Christian Marcus.

Absent: Joshua Watrous and Jason Helwig.

The Chairman requested Invocation: Moment of Silence.

The Chairman addressed the purpose of the meeting is to address the Security Project and the Safety Project proposals due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Chairman addressed the Board and the public attending the virtual webinar meeting by video and/or phone. Deputy Administrator, Jeremy Scott will assist with public comment by screening the public in order of attendance by calling out phone numbers. Deputy Administrator, Jeremy Scott will assist Board members that experience technical difficulties.

Commissioner Watrous and Helwig joined the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Sherry Comben, County Treasurer addressed the Board in support of the security and safety project proposals before Board, for the safety and health of our employees and public as suggested by the County's various insurance providers, and take advantage of grant opportunities. Dean Pratt, Antrim County Undersheriff addressed the Board to provide information and processes implemented by the Antrim County Sheriff Department to assure safety and prevent liability to the county due to statements made by Triston Cole at the Board meeting of May 7, 2020 during public comment and expressed concerns of the appropriateness of comments made. Michael Lee addressed the Board to thank them for their work and continued efforts. Roll call of public attending the meeting via Zoom identified that they were present with no public comment. Public Comment closed at 9:13 a.m.

Moved by Bargy, seconded by Helwig, that the Board approve the agenda as written. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

**SECURITY PROJECT (Electronic Door and Cameras)**

County Administrator and Deputy Administrator addressed the Board with the Electronic Door and Cameras project proposal.

Discussion followed.

The Chairman called on Lisa Peacock, Health Officer from the Health Department of Northwest MI.

Lisa Peacock addressed the Board to provide an update on COVID-19 pandemic and Health Department measures in place and ongoing collection of data and studies throughout our six county region. When the Governor takes action to lift the Michigan Stay Home Stay Safe Executive Order, a Michigan Safe Start Program and Plan that outlines how to begin to re-engage Michigan's economy will follow. This program lays out the requirements that are necessary to re-open. Discussion followed. All members participated in asking questions.

**SECURITY PROJECT (Electronic Door and Cameras) continued.**

County Administrator and Deputy Administrator continued to explain project and cost with grant opportunities.

The Chairman asked if there is any objections to move the Security Project (Electronic Door and Cameras) to the May 21, 2020 Board agenda. It was a consensus of members that the project be moved to allow the Administration Office time to finish gathering the quotes for the individual pieces of the project. The quote amounts will be included in Board packets.

**SAFETY PROJECT (Glass)**

Deputy Administrator addressed the Board with project. Discussion followed.

Moved by Bargy, seconded by Helwig, that the Board approve the qualified quote from Northern Michigan Glass for window shielding installation project in the County departments and offices of the County Building (County Clerk, County Treasurer, Equalization/Abstract, Register of Deed Office and Administration Offices) at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.00 and approve a budget amendment to increase the General Fund, Capital Outlay, County Building (101-901-980.265) funding source to be the General Fund, fund balance. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Heeres.

Commissioner Heeres returned to the meeting after having technical difficulties. He was not able to vote on the Safety Project (Glass) and for the record supports the project.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Jeremy Scott, Deputy Administrator assisted with public comment by screening the public in order by calling out phone numbers. Sherry Comben, Patty Niepoth and Sheryl Guy each addressed the Board to thank them for their full discussion and approval of the safety glass project for the safety of our employees and the public. Eileen Wallick addressed the Board to encourage a glass project be rolled out to cover Barnes Park Office. Roll call of remaining public attending the meeting via Zoom identified that they were present with no public comment. Public Comment closed at 10:55 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

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Chair, Edgar Boettcher, III

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County Clerk, Sheryl Guy

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