

This meeting due to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic was conducted by a hybrid format, being held remotely online utilizing Zoom Webinar and in-person in the Board of Commissioner's Room. Adhering to Governor Gretchen Whitmer's executive orders during the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic by maintaining a six-foot distance from one another while indoors, face covering and limit public in person attendance according to space available in the Board Room.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Present: Joshua Watrous, Ed Boettcher, Terry VanAlstine, Brenda Ricksgers.
Remote: David Heeres, Karen Bargy, Dawn LaVanway, Jason Helwig, Christian Marcus.
Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

The Chairman requested Invocation: Moment of Silence.

The Chairman addressed the Board and public attending the Zoom virtual 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 and addressing those in attendance. Deputy Administrator, Jeremy Scott will assist Board members that experience technical difficulties.

The Chair requested Public comment. Paul Jarboe, Attorney addressed the Board on the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Agreement for the upcoming grant period October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021. Deputy Administrator, Jeremy Scott called on all public via video and phone in order by attendance. There was no additional public comment. Public comment closed at 9:13 a.m.

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

Moved by Ricksgers, seconded by Marcus, that the Board approve the minutes of July 16, 2020 with corrections. Roll call as follows: Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent - None.

COMMUNICATIONS/NOTICES:

There was none.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Commissioner Marcus – MAC Update

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioner Heeres – Antrim Creek Natural Area
Commissioner Bargy – Capital Improvement Plan Committee - Update
Commissioner LaVanway – Capital Improvement Plan & Antrim Creek Natural Area

Moved by VanAlstine, seconded by Bargy, that the Board approve the bid from Union Designs in the amount of \$7,215.00 for lawn restoration services at the former bank building property at 101 Depot Street and authorize the Finance Director to amend the 2020 budget increasing the General Fund, Capital Outlay line item 101-901-980-266 by \$7,215.00 to come from the General Fund, fund balance. Roll call vote as follows: Yes - Bargy, VanAlstine; No – Heeres, Watrous, Boettcher, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; Absent – None. **MOTION FAILS**

It was the consensus of the Board members that the County Administrator, Peter Garwood speak to the Maintenance Supervisor, David Vitale to request that his department figure out a way to level and smooth out the parts of the former bank property that were left without vegetative cover while seeking a less expensive method to complete the top soil and lawn restoration project at the former bank building property.

Moved by Ricksgers, seconded by VanAlstine, that the Board approve and pay claims and accounts in the amount totaling \$181,431.36. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Moved by VanAlstine, seconded by Helwig, that the Board approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Grant between the State of Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC) Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) and Antrim County with a grant period of October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

County of Antrim Description of Essential Duties – County Administrator Position Description draft: Review and discussion followed. Revise draft with the Board’s changes and present at the Board’s next regular meeting.

Moved by Bargy, seconded by Helwig, that the Board accept the bid for the reroofing of the Elk Rapids Hydroelectric Dam by IRT Commercial Services in the amount of \$35,895.00 from the Dam Fund #582, Capital Outlay, Equipment (582-901-980). Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #17-2020 By Karen Bargy, seconded by Christian Marcus

**TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL EXEMPTION OPTION AS SET FORTH IN
2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE
CONTRIBUTION ACT**

WHEREAS, 2011 Public Act 152 (the “Act”) was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act;

WHEREAS, the three options are as follows:

- 1) Section 3 – “Hard Caps” Option – limits a public employer’s total annual health care costs for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
- 2) Section 4 – “80%/20%” Option – limits a public employer’s share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the governing body;

RESOLUTION #17-2020 continued.

- 3) Section 8 – “Exemption” Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by an annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

WHEREAS, the ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS has decided to adopt the annual Exemption option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of the COUNTY of ANTRIM elects to comply with the requirements of 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, by adopting the annual Exemption option for the medical benefit plan coverage year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Yes – David Heeres, Joshua Watrous, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, Terry VanAlstine, Brenda Ricksgers, Dawn LaVanway, Jason Helwig, Christian Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #17-2020 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Stephanie Murray, Director Human Resources addressed the Board with proposed Employer Health Insurance Premium Caps for 2021.

Discussion followed.

It was a consensus of Board that the setting of the 2021 Employers Health Insurance Premium Caps be **POSTPONED** until the 2021 insurance premiums are available to County.

Moved by VanAlstine, seconded by Watrous, that the Board approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Infinisource Service Agreement for COBRA premium collections and the Infinisource Business Associate Agreement for Antrim County at no additional cost to the County. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Moved by Ricksgers, seconded by VanAlstine, that the Board accept the Antrim County Information Technology Department’s 2020 Annual Report as written. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Moved by VanAlstine, seconded by Watrous, that the Board accept the Antrim County Transportation Department’s 2020 Annual Report as written. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Moved by Ricksgers, seconded by VanAlstine, that the Board accept the Antrim County Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), 2020 Annual Report as written. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bargy, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Peter Garwood, County Administrator addressed the Board with his report. Discussion followed. Board member question and input.

- Antrim County Emergency Management Report – June/July 2020

Michael Jantz, Business Development Manager from CZAR Architecture and Engineering addressed the Board presenting the Michigan Intermodal Transportation and Tourism Infrastructure Network (MITTIN), a project the Village of Kalkaska (and Sault Ste. Marie) has applied for grant money through the U.S. Department of Transportation to fund planning efforts for a statewide transportation infrastructure project. Mr. Jantz asked the Board for a letter of support for the Village of Kalkaska’s project and future grant applications.
Discussion followed.

It was a consensus of the Board that the request made by Mr. Jantz for a letter of support for the Village of Kalkaska be **POSTPONED** to the next regular meeting. This will allow the County Administrator time to draft a letter of support and present to the Board for review.

Vicki Garon, representative from American Waste addressed the Board with an update on the American Waste Solid Waste Facility, Antrim County (Elmira) recycling operation.
Discussion followed.

Brad Rizzo, Finance Director addressed the Board with his report.

- Budget Amendment – 2020 Wage increases
 - Revenue Reduction Plan – revenue effects COVID-19 pandemic
- Discussion followed.

Moved by LaVanway, seconded by VanAlstine, that the Board approve a payroll budget amendment as follows:

Expenditures	\$325,832.00
101-895-999.000 Contingencies	(\$279,900.00)
101-966-956.588 Transfer to ACT	\$55,009.00
General Fund Balance	(\$100,941.00)

Construction Code Fund #249	
Expenditures	(\$10,656.00)
Fund Balance	\$10,656.00

E-911 Fund #261	
Expenditures	\$59,158.00
Fund Balance	(\$59,158.00)

Snowmobile Fund #279	
Expenditures	(\$6,803.00)
Fund Balance	\$6,803.00

COA Fund #297	
Expenditures	\$600.00
Fund Balance	(\$600.00)

Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bary, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Moved by Ricksgers, seconded by Helwig, that the Board approve acceptance of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant and Authorize the Finance Director to make the appropriate amendment to increase revenues (Federal Grants \$33,120.00 Local Match \$3,312.00) totaling \$36,432.00 , with expenditures for Emergency Management supplies \$36,432.00 according to the memorandum of understanding. Roll call vote as follows: Yes – Heeres, Watrous, Bary, Boettcher, VanAlstine, Ricksgers, LaVanway, Helwig, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

REPORT:

County Treasurer

Chairman Report, Commissioner Boettcher

- Michigan Employee Retirement System (MERS) – Update
- Meeting schedule for the second meeting of the month (time) 9:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. Discussion followed.

It was a consensus of the Board to hold the August 20, 2020 meeting at 7:00 p.m. and the meeting be conducted remotely online utilizing Zoom Webinar and in-person in the Board of Commissioner's Room.

Commissioner Bary and Brad Rizzo, Finance Director – Proposed 2020 Budget meetings.

- Tuesday, August 18 at 1:00 p.m. General Fund Revenues
- Monday and Thursday, August 24 and 27 at 9:00 a.m. – General Fund Expenditures
- Wednesday, September 2 at 9:00 a.m. – Other Funds, Capital Outlay, and others as needed.

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VARIOUS MATTERS:

- Milton Township – Proposed RV Campground rainstorms causing severe erosion, some ending up on an adjacent property owner's lawn. Discussion followed.

The Chairman requested Public comment. There was none.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Chair, Edgar Boettcher, III

County Clerk, Sheryl Guy