

Health and Public Safety Committee

Christian Marcus

Karen Bargy, Chair

Bob Wilson

Minutes November 22, 2016

Members present: Karen Bargy, Christian Marcus, Bob Wilson
Members absent: None
Others present: Pete Garwood, Janet Koch, Sheriff Dan Bean, Undersheriff Dean Pratt,
Sergeant Mike Gank

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Karen Bargy

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Commission on Aging (COA)

Financial Reports

Judy Parliament, COA Director, had included financial information in the agenda packets. Ms. Parliament noted that the activities line item was at 221.98% of budget (#297000-677-802.297), but that the increase was being offset by increased revenues.

Ms. Bargy asked about health screens (department 683) which were at 121% of budget. Ms. Parliament said she will be asking for a budget amendment to move funds from Respite (dept. 687) to health screens. Ms. Parliament said there were almost daily requests for health screens. Ms. Bargy noted that the transportation expenditures were relatively high. Ms. Parliament said there was a revenue stream that offset the cost, and that it was a grandfathered program; health rides now operated through Antrim County Transportation.

Ms. Bargy said not much had been spent in memorials. Ms. Parliament said she intends to purchase items in 2016 for the loan closet. She told the Committee there were a number of donations in 2016, but she was planning to purchase a knee walker if one was not donated.

Ms. Parliament also told the Committee she and the Area Agency on Aging had been making presentations to area doctor offices to make them more aware of the services the COA provides. She said she was still waiting for a final response from Mary Robinson regarding the changes to the Grand Valley State University (GVSU) Affiliation Agreements.

4. Airport Update

Financial Reports

John Strehl, Airport Manager, had included the Airport's revenue and expenditure reports in the agenda packets. Mr. Strehl noted that though revenues were down, there was also a decrease in expenditures.

Airport Consulting Services

Mr. Strehl said it was a federal requirement to advertise for airport consulting services every five years. He added that Mead and Hunt's airport services focused on small airports. Pete Garwood, County Administrator, said no immediate payments would be made as a result of the motion. At this time, the County is only selecting an engineering consulting firm for a future project. Payment

to the firm will be contingent on a contract between the firm and the County at the time of a future project.

Motion by Bob Wilson, seconded by Karen Bargy, to recommend the Board of Commissioners approve Mead and Hunt, Inc. as the firm selected to provide professional airport consulting services for the Antrim County Airport for five years.
Motion carried – unanimous.

5. Antrim County Transportation (ACT) Update

Financial Reports

Al Meacham, ACT Director, presented the following documents for the agenda packets: Revenue Schedule 2017 and 2017 Expense Schedule. Mr. Meacham noted that ACT's fiscal year, which coincides with the fiscal year for the State of Michigan, began on October 1.

Workers' Compensation was discussed. Mr. Garwood said the company that provided Workers' Compensation to the County would be changing. The County participates in the the MCWCF (Michigan Counties Worker's Compensation Fund) through the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), which had recently gone out for proposals. He added that the County's costs should be trending down since expensive claims were aging out. Sheriff Dan Bean and Undersheriff Dean Pratt noted concerns about moving to a different carrier. Mr. Garwood advised it may be a good idea to have a discussion with the Commissioners from Antrim County who serve on the MCWCF Board.

The Committee requested that Workers' Compensation be added to the Administration Committee's agenda. Mr. Garwood was asked to bring information about the new carrier to the Administration Committee meeting, e.g., length of the new contract, termination clause, and rates.

6. Sheriff Department Update

Animal Control Report

Sheriff Dan Bean had included the Animal Control Report in the agenda packets.

Jail Physician and Nurse Contracts

Sheriff Bean said there had been no changes to the contracts from the previous year, which had been reviewed at that time by civil counsel.

Motion by Bob Wilson, seconded by Christian Marcus, to recommend the Board of Commissioners authorize the Antrim County Sheriff to execute inmate health service contracts with David May, DO as correctional facility physician and Jennifer Held as correctional facility nurse from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.
Motion carried – unanimous.

Tele-Rad Contract

Mr. Garwood noted that the proposed service contract was to maintain the Antrim County Sheriff Department's radio system. The agreement was similar to the previous version. One addition was a clause allowing the County to terminate the agreement if Tele-Rad failed to maintain the equipment according to the standards of the agreement for reasons that would be Tele-Rad's fault.

Mr. Garwood noted that the cost of the proposed contract was slightly higher than the previous year, but that the cost was budgeted. Sergeant Gank said the increase in cost was due to additional anticipated maintenance due to the aging of existing equipment.

Ms. Bargy said the agreement stated that the MCC5500 consoles were running the Windows XP operating system. She asked Sergeant Gank to ensure that the agreement would be adjusted at no cost when the MCC5500 consoles were updated to a newer version of Windows.

Motion by Christian Marcus, seconded by Bob Wilson, to recommend the Board of Commissioners authorize the Board Chairman to execute a service agreement with Tele-Rad, Inc. to maintain the Antrim County Sheriff Department's radio system from January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017. Motion carried – unanimous.

Medical Marihuana Grant

Undersheriff Pratt said a similar 2016 grant had been completed and closed out. He said there were many upcoming changes in the State statutes regarding medical marihuana, but the grant's provisions were the same as 2016.

Motion by Christian Marcus, seconded by Bob Wilson, to recommend the Board of Commissioners authorize the Antrim County Sheriff to submit an application for the Medical Marihuana Oversight Grant through the Michigan State Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. Motion carried – unanimous.

Undersheriff Pratt was requested to get the grant onto the agenda for the first January 2017 Board of Commissioner meeting.

The Committee and Undersheriff Pratt discussed the timing regarding lease-to-own contracts for future Sheriff Department vehicles. Undersheriff Pratt was requested to follow the procedures to bring the documents to the next scheduled Health & Public Safety Committee meeting for final approval at the February 2017 Board of Commissioner meeting.

Rave Mobile Safety Agreement

The agreement will provide the ability to send public mass notifications through a variety of methods such as text messages to cell phones and automatic phone calls to land lines. Ms. Bargy said the 5-year agreement was a recommendation from the 911 Board. She asked what costs would be absorbed by the County, and what costs would be absorbed by the recipient of the mass notification, specifically the costs mentioned in item number 4, Rave Alert.

Mr. Garwood said the issue was not required to go to Finance, as the amount was budgeted and under the \$10,000 ceiling. He added that it was budgeted for 2016, not 2017. Mr. Marcus noted that though implementing the system was important, it was not a high priority. The Committee's consensus was to address the topic at the next Committee meeting.

Michigan Public Safety Communication System Invoices

Sheriff Bean informed the Committee only the invoice the Board of Commissioners authorized for payment had been paid. Sheriff Bean said he had contacted legislators and others for assistance with the remaining invoices, but had not heard from any of the parties he had contacted as of yet.

The Committee and Sheriff Bean had a general discussion about 911 projects and what would be best for the County.

7. Sanitary Code Revision

The Committee discussed the revisions to the Health Department's sanitary code.

Motion by Bob Wilson, seconded by Christian Marcus, to recommend the Board of Commissioners approve the proposed Sanitary Code as revised by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. Motion carried – unanimous.

8. Health Department Appropriation

Mr. Wilson and Ms. Bargo said they had attended a meeting with the Health Department that had discussed their 2017 appropriation from the Board of Commissioners. The requested appropriation had been \$4,085 over the 2016 appropriation amount.

Motion by Bob Wilson, seconded by Karen Bargo, to recommend the Finance Committee approve a budget amendment to amend the Health Department's 2017 appropriation to be the amount originally requested by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan (\$231,046). Motion carried – unanimous.

9. Emergency Services

Monthly Report

Leslie Meyers, Emergency Services Coordinator, had provided an update with the agenda packet.

Address Sign Grant

Motion by Bob Wilson, seconded by Christian Marcus, to recommend the Board of Commissioners authorize Leslie Meyers, Emergency Services Coordinator, to apply for a grant with the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians to purchase address signs not to exceed \$5,000. Motion carried – unanimous.

10. Various Matters

Counseling for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

Mr. Garwood said he had placed a call to the County's Workers' Compensation carrier but had not heard back. He had been told by Dewey Insurance that Blue Cross Blue Shield, the County's health insurance carrier as of January 1, 2017, would cover PTSD in the same manner as other counseling services, and that no riders were available.

Mr. Garwood was asked to discuss the issue with a representative of the Ambulance Authority and to look into the possibility of coverage through short term disability.

911 Board Resignation

Ms. Bargo noted Ed Sayre's resignation from the 911 Board.

Antrim County Road Commission

Mr. Wilson said the road clean up after the recent storm had not been adequate.

11. Public Comment

None.

The meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.