

BRANCH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER SESSION (SECOND DAY)
December 18, 2018

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Branch met, pursuant to adjournment, in the Commissioners meeting room at the Courthouse, on Tuesday, December 18, 2018.

Commissioner Norris called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Present: Commissioners Terri Norris, Don Vrablic, Randall Hazelbaker, County Clerk Teresa Kubasiak, Administrator Bud Norman.

Absent: Commissioners Ted Gordon and Leonard Kolcz

Don Reid led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

3/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic to approve the minutes of December 11, 2018 Board meeting. MOTION CARRIED

4/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to allow the Prosecutor's Office to post the Child Support Coordinator GELC New Hire Level 7 at \$13.83 per hour, as presented. MOTION CARRIED

5/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker that approval is given to move the interim Equalization Director, (UAW level 8) to the Equalization Director position, (M4 - 4 year level), effective 01/01/2019. MOTION CARRIED

6/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to allow for the IT Non-Union Level 7 position to move to a M1-1 year level, effective 1/1/19. MOTION CARRIED

7/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to table the request for an increase in the starting wage for the Juvenile Case Worker position until the first Board meeting in January. MOTION CARRIED

8/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to continue the Hard Cap Insurance with the Wrap Option for 2019. MOTION CARRIED

9/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to approve the 2019 Staffing Plan. MOTION CARRIED

10/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to hold the 2019 Organizational Meeting on January 2, 2019, at 10am. MOTION CARRIED

11/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to put together a contract for the current MIDC Members with their current rate of pay, until the MIDC Program is in effect.

During discussion, the previous motion was amended as follows:

Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to draft a month by month contract for the current MIDC Members, with their current rate of pay, until the MIDC Program is in effect. MOTION CARRIED

12/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic, that approval is given to MSU Extension to purchase a refurbished Minolta Bizhub C364 Color Copier, in the amount of \$6,400. \$4,400 to be taken out of Capital Outlay and \$2,000 to be covered by MSU Extension, as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Consent Agenda:

to approve the Bills and Accounts in the amount of \$176,345.76.

for a line item transfer from 101-225-807.0202 BS&A Internet Services in the amount of \$7,500 transfer to 101-225-800.0001 Misc. Contract- Appraisal Contracts in the amount of \$7,500.

to approve the 2019 Juvenile Defender Contract.

13/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker that authorization is given to approve the following items by Consent Agenda: Bills & Accounts, Line Item Transfer, Juvenile Defender Contract-2019. MOTION CARRIED

14/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to approve the 2019 General Fund Appropriations Act.

Upon roll call vote the results were as follows:

Yes – Vrablic, Hazelbaker, Norris – 3

No – 0

Absent – Kolcz, Gordon – 2

MOTION CARRIED

15/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to approve the 2019 General Fund budget in the amount of \$ 13,530,552.06

Upon roll call vote the results were as follows:

Yes – Vrablic, Hazelbaker, Norris – 3

No – 0

Absent – Kolcz, Gordon – 2

MOTION CARRIED

16/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker that the 2019 Special Fund Budget is approved in the amount of \$40,023,878.11.

Upon roll call vote the results were as follows:

Yes – Vrablic, Hazelbaker, Norris – 3

No – 0

Absent – Kolcz, Gordon – 2

MOTION CARRIED

17/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to award the New Jail project to Byce-Securiture & Associates in the amount of \$1,240,000. MOTION CARRIED

18/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic to nominate and re-appoint Debora Lounds-Bowers and Debra Sikorski to fill expiring Retail/Service & Agriculture positions on the Branch County Planning Commission, with the terms expiring on 12/31/21. MOTION CARRIED

19/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to nominate and re-appoint Jay Johnson to fill the expiring position on the Building Authority, with the term expiring on 12/31/22. MOTION CARRIED

19/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker to appoint Janis Olney to a full term on the Commission on Aging board with the term expiring 12/31/21. MOTION CARRIED

Committee/Liaison Reports:

Commissioner Hazelbaker – Ice Fest will be held on January 26, 2019; The Community Awards dinner will be held March 7, 2019.

Chairman's Remarks:

Commissioner Norris noted that emails were received from BKV Group and Tower Pinkster, commending the Board for staying with the jail selection process that was in place, even though they didn't win the bid.

20/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic, to adjourn at 4:27 pm. MOTION CARRIED

Chairman

Clerk