

BRANCH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER SESSION (SECOND DAY)
November 27, 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, November 27, 2018.

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

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

Absent: Commissioner Leonard Kolcz

Commissioner Vrablic 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 Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to approve the minutes of November 13, 2018 Board meeting. MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment:

Marilyn Johnson introduced herself as a candidate for the Education representative on the County Planning Commission.

4/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic, that approval is given to Probate and Circuit Court to purchase the Assisted Listening Systems, in the amount of \$4,835, to be taken out of Capital Outlay, as presented. MOTION CARRIED

During discussion of the previous motion it was noted that the Courts will be contributing \$2000 toward the cost of the hearing devices.

5/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to approve the Bills and Accounts in the amount of \$101,345.33. MOTION CARRIED

6/ The following people were put in nomination for various positions on County Boards: Airport Board – Ethan Kosachuk; Airport Board of Appeals - James Bilsborrow and R. Scott Kirkpatrick; Commission on Aging – Gordon Gentry, Janis Olney, Davis Smoker, Dr. Dale Williams and Brent Wilber; District Library – Cindy Bland and Sue Smith; Planning Commission (At Large) - David Swallow; Road Commission – Jerry Avery and Robert Mayer

7/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Norris to nominate and appoint Kevin Miller and Marilyn Johnson to fill vacant Industry and Education positions on the Branch County Planning Commission, with the term expiring on 12/31/20. MOTION CARRIED

8/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic, to accept the resignation of Rod Olney from the Commission on Aging Board, effective immediately. MOTION CARRIED

Committee/Liaison Reports:

Commissioner Norris – stated that Commissioner Kolcz is having some medical issues and wished him a speedy recovery.

Commissioner Hazelbaker – The Lions Club is holding a Christmas tree fundraiser.

Commissioner Vrablic – DHS will be eliminating the Volunteer Travel Coordinating position, adjusting their budget about \$2700; the next SMART meeting will be held Wednesday, December 5, 2018 in Cassopolis.

9/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to adjourn at 4:14 pm. MOTION CARRIED

Chairman

Clerk