

**BRANCH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MARCH SESSION (FIRST DAY)**  
**March 12, 2019**

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Branch met, pursuant to adjournment, in the Commissioners meeting room at the Courthouse, on Tuesday, March 12, 2019.

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

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

Commissioner Vrablic led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Kolcz, to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

3/ Motion by Commissioner Kolcz, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2019 Board meeting. MOTION CARRIED

**Public Comment:**

Commissioner Hazelbaker presented a certificate to Dan Nichols of the Sheriff's Department, for 30 years of service.

4/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Kolcz, that approval is given to the Sheriff's Department to hire a full time Correction Officer at the POAM Tier 2 rate of \$13.839 per hour, with the new hire benefit package, effective immediately. MOTION CARRIED

5/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, that approval is given to COA to hire a Regular Part-Time Aides with a starting wage of \$10.79 per hour; 20-29 hours per week, effective 3/12/2019. MOTION CARRIED

**Consent Agenda:**

approve the Bills and Accounts in the amount of \$206,313.28

approve the Consulting Services Contract Extension with MGT of America Consulting.

approve the Secondary Road Patrol Funding request, as presented.

6/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Norris, that authorization is given to approve the following items by Consent Agenda: Bills & Accounts, Cost Allocation Agreement with MGT and Secondary Road Patrol Funding-Capital Outlay Request. MOTION CARRIED

7/ Commissioner Kolcz nominated Karl Duda, Jon Houtz, Wendy Salyer and Tracy Richer to fill expiring positions on the Mental Health Board. The term will expire on 3/31/2022.

8/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to approve the resolution for partial termination of a Farmland Development Rights Agreement # 12-55718-123179 for the Kaufman property located on Brown Road in California Township.

Upon roll call vote the results were as follows:

Yes – Norris, Kolcz, Vrablic, Hazelbaker, Gordon – 5

No - 0

**MOTION CARRIED**

Committee/Liaison Reports:

Kolcz – the Airport Board is meeting tonight and Fair Board is tomorrow.

Norris – 911 Board meeting is tomorrow.

Hazelbaker –Community Awards dinner was well attended; they are working on plans for the Farmers Market.

Gordon – COA is meeting on Friday

9/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to adjourn at 4:10 pm. **MOTION CARRIED**

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Chairman

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Clerk