BRANCH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY SESSION (FIRST DAY)
July 10, 2017

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Branch met, pursuant to adjournment, in the Commissioners meeting room at the Courthouse, on Monday, July 10, 2017.

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 Hazelbaker 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 Kolcz, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2017 Board meeting. MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment:
Commissioner Kolcz presented a certificate to Christal Quainton for 20 years of service, working in the Drain office.

4/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic, to approve the hiring of a 911 dispatcher at the POAM-911 union rate of $13.26 per hour with the new hire benefit package, effective immediately. MOTION CARRIED

5/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Kolcz, to approve the amendment to the 2017 Staffing Plan. MOTION CARRIED

6/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to approve the hiring of a Corrections Officer at the POAM new hire rate of $13.29 per hour with new hire benefits package, effective immediately. MOTION CARRIED

7/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic to approve the amendments to the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance # 2003 – 15 by resolution, as presented.

2017-04
RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BRANCH COUNTY
SOIL EROSION ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Soil Erosion Ordinance set forth in Act 91 of the Public Acts of 1919, being MCL 287.261 – 287.293, have been amended by Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994; and

WHEREAS, the changes made by Act 91 of the Public Acts of 1994 to the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance make it necessary to amend the earth change permit requirements contained in the Branch County Soil Erosion Ordinance adopted on October 1, 2013, to make such ordinance requirements consistent with state law; and
WHEREAS, the Ordinance Amending the Branch County Soil Erosion Ordinance is attached and incorporated by reference.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Chapter 5, Earth Change Permit Requirements, Sections 5.4 (f.) and Section 5.6 (a), and Section 5.7, of the Branch County Soil Erosion Ordinance be, and hereby is, amended to read as follows:

Section 5.4 Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan; Contents (f. and 5.):
4. A description, the location, installation details, and estimated costs of all proposed temporary soil erosion and sedimentation control measures along with a schedule for installing and removing each temporary control measure.
5. The location, a description, installation details, and the estimated costs of all proposed permanent soil erosion and sedimentation control measures and facilities along with the schedule for the installation and maintenance of all control measures and facilities.

Section 5.6 Application Review and Permit Procedures (a):
The Soil Erosion Control Agent shall approve, disapprove, or require modification to an application for a permit within 30 calendar days after the filing of a complete application for permit. A complete application includes the completed application, plans, and required fees. The Soil Erosion Control Agent shall notify the applicant of approval by first-class mail, or e-mail. If an application is disapproved, then the Soil Erosion Control Agent shall advise the applicant by certified mail or e-mail with return receipt of its reasons for disapproval and conditions required for approval. The Soil Erosion Control Agent need not notify the applicant of approval or disapproval by mail if the applicant is given written approval or disapproval of the application in person. A permit given to the applicant either in person or by first-class mail constitutes approval.

Section 5.7 Permit Application Disapproval:
Sections (b) and (c) removed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the remainder of the Branch County Soil Erosion Ordinance, as amended, shall remain unchanged.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to take all required action to have this Ordinance Amendment published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Ordinance Amendment shall become effective when notice of its adoption is published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County.

Upon roll call vote the results were as follows:
Yes – Kolcz, Vrablic, Hazelbaker, Norris, Gordon – 5
No – 0
MOTION CARRIED

Consent Agenda:

- to approve the Bills and Accounts in the amount of $210,489.58.
- to approve the line item transfer for the Sheriff’s Department from Contingencies in the amount of $16,200 from 101.850-960.0000 to Misc. Contractual Expense 101-301-800.0000 in the amount of $16,200.

8/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker that authorization is given to approve the following items by Consent Agenda; Bills & Accounts and Line Item Transfer. MOTION CARRIED
9/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Norris to approve the 2016 Audit Report. MOTION CARRIED

10/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to accept the 2016 Maple Lawn annual report. MOTION CARRIED

11/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to accept the 2016 Parks Department annual report. MOTION CARRIED

12/ Motion by Commissioner Vrablic, seconded by Commissioner Kolcz, to accept the 2016 Road Commission annual report. MOTION CARRIED

13/ Motion by Commissioner Kolcz, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to accept the 2016 MSUE annual report. MOTION CARRIED

14/ Motion by Commissioner Kolcz, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to accept the 2016 Pines Mental Health annual report. MOTION CARRIED

15/ Motion by Commissioner Kolcz, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to accept the 2016 Veterans Affairs annual report. MOTION CARRIED

16/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic, to accept the 2016 Community Health Agency annual report. MOTION CARRIED

17/ Motion by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Hazelbaker, to accept the 2016 3-A District Court annual report. MOTION CARRIED

18/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to accept the 2016 CHC annual report. MOTION CARRIED

19/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Norris, to accept the 2016 CBPU annual report. MOTION CARRIED

20/ Motion by Commissioner Hazelbaker, seconded by Commissioner Vrablic, to adjourn at 4:25 pm. MOTION CARRIED

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Chairman                             Clerk