

WORKING MEETING

May 3, 2018

Convened: 9:00 AM

Present: Commissioner Gordon, Commissioner Vrablic, Commissioner Kolcz, Commissioner Norris, and Commissioner Hazelbaker

Also Present: Donald Reid of the Daily Reporter, Sheriff Pollack, Jim Measel-WTVB, County Clerk Terry Kubasiak, Undersheriff Eichler, Hillary Eley, Amy Galliers, Mike Tighe, Scott Morrison and Administrator Bud Norman.

The agenda was approved.

PERSONNEL, PLANS & POLICY

(Commissioner Norris)

MIDC Submission

Terri Norris said the Michigan Indigent Defense Counsel amended submission has been approved and is pending funding from the state.

SHERIFF & PUBLIC SAFETY

(Commissioner Kolcz)

Jail Millage Resolution

The committee was provided a copy of the Jail Millage Resolution that included the ballot language for a new jail. Also provided was a timeline that included the bidding process for an architect and contractor; start of construction and the estimated time to finish construction. If passed would be complete in August 2020. It was asked if the bidding process could take place now for the hiring of an architect, so things could get moving? Many committee members thought that would be a good idea. The Committee Recommends:

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the resolution and ballot Language for the jail construction millage proposal, to be presented to voters at the August 7, 2018 Primary Election.

HOUSE

(Commissioner Hazelbaker)

Community Foundation-Building Use/Presentation

A group of over 20 supporting partners spearheaded by the Branch County Community Foundation and the Branch County Great Start, presented a plan to open a 24/7 Early Education Childcare Center in the former Pines Behavioral Building. The request is to allow the Community Foundation to be given 6 months to pursue funding. The cost of this project is approximately 1.8 M. The county will continue to rent space in the building for no more than a 1 year lease. The Committee Recommends:

Motion by seconded by to support the concept of a childcare facility in the former Pines bldg. and to review the plan in 6 months to allow for the Community Foundation to secure adequate funding.

Request for Camera Updates-Jail

Sheriff Pollack submitted a request to increase the number of cameras in the maximum cell area and other areas of the jail that are lacking camera coverage. The request is for 6 new cameras. A quote was obtained from Advanced Satellite Communications, Inc., in the amount of \$2,868.44. The money to cover this is to be taken out of Jail Commissary. A grant from MMRMA with a payback of 1/3 will be applied back to the Commissary Fund, if awarded. The Committee Recommends:

Motion by seconded by that approval is given to the Sheriff's Department to purchase 6 cameras for the Jail in the amount of \$2,868.44, to be taken out of Jail Commissary.

Request for Camera Updates-Animal Control

Sheriff Pollack submitted a request to install 5 cameras and one DVR, inside the Animal Control building. This will allow the Jail to monitor the inmates when they are working inside the building. A quote was obtained from Advanced Satellite Communication, Inc., the amount of \$3,411.64, to be taken out of Jail Commissary. A grant from MMRMA with a payback of 1/3 will be applied back to the Commissary Fund if awarded. The Committee Recommends:

Motion by seconded by that approval is given to the Sheriff's Department to purchase 5 cameras and a DVR for the Animal Control Building in the amount of \$3,411.64, to be taken out of Jail Commissary.

Request for Intercom Update-Courthouse Holding Cells

Sheriff Pollack submitted a request to install an intercom system in the four holding cells in the Courthouse, due to the increase in medical issues. This will allow that individual to be able to communicate, if they are in need of immediate assistance. A quote was obtained from Advanced Satellite Communications, in the amount of \$12,172.76. The Sheriff said they will be applying for a similar grant through MMRMA, as with the previous requests. It was requested to take the money out of Contingencies, if awarded the grant, the money would be returned to Contingencies. The Committee Recommends:

Motion by seconded by that approval is given to the Sheriff's Department to install an intercom system in the four holding cells in the Courthouse at a cost of \$12,172.76, contingent on being awarded grant money through MMRMA.

FINANCE

Commissioner Vrablic)

Motion by seconded by that authorization is given to approve the following items by Consent Agenda: Bills & Accounts and Budget Amendment-Ovid/Kinderhook System II (567-527)

Bills & Accounts

Administrator Norman presented a summary of the Bills and Accounts (Jail Operations-Health Care-36%, Computer Services Contract-24%, Jail Operations-Board and Care-13%, Equipment Repair & Maintenance-8% and Jail Operations-Commissary Supplies-7%) to make up 88% of the invoices. The Committee Recommends:

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the Bills and Accounts in the amount of \$284,643.25

Budget Amendment-Ovid/Kinderhook System II (567-527)

A new expense line needed to refund overpayment of sewer charges for the Department of Public Works.

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the budget amendment to decrease line item # 567-527-627.0500 Sewer Charges-Monthly in the amount of \$1,006.39 and increase line item #567-527-964.0000 Refunds and Rebates in the amount of \$1,006.39.

LEGISLATIVE **(Commissioner Gordon)**

Resolution-Opposition to Amendatory Legislation to Michigan Public Act 93 of 2013 (Wexford, Antrim, Charlevoix)

A copy of Branch County’s Resolution in opposition of the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Legislation was provided to the committee. The State of Michigan proposed budget for FY19 would not provide adequate funding to pay additional indigent defense expenses. The Committee Recommends:

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ that approval is given to adopt a Resolution opposing Amendatory Legislation to Michigan Public Act 93 of 2013.

Opioid Presentation (May 17)

The last Opioid presentation will take place at the next Working Meeting on May 17th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 am.

Submitted by: Commissioner Vrablic Commissioner Kolcz Commissioner Gordon
 Commissioner Hazelbaker Commission Norris