

BERRIEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
Minutes of February 14, 2019

Present: Jim Curran, Chair
Michael Majerek, Vice Chair
Don Meeks Sr.

Absent: Chris Heugel

Scheduled: Mike Sepic, Prosecutor
Bill Wolf, County Administration
Mac Elliott, BOC Chair

Others: Tony Benhart, Public

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:23 am.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Meeks, supported by Majerek, to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2019 meetings. Motion Carried.

Prosecutor's Office Discussion

Sepic reported there are 2 new APA positions and the goal is to hire after filling 2 vacancies which include a 31 year employee that retired in January and another employee leaving to take a job in Ottawa County. He stated that several people hired from the West side of Michigan have returned to their hometowns and that is why he had requested that Ottawa County be included in the wage study. His goal is to be at full staff in 2019. Discussions ensued regarding new hires and education. Sepic reviewed the new Move Over law and the inclusion of additional emergency vehicles. Discussions ensued regarding recreational marijuana and getting into a court setting to establish rules.

Q & A with Bill Wolf and BOC Chair Elliott

Wolf stated the Finance Committee approved waiving the rules of disposing of the iPads to allow Commissioners the option to purchase prior to auction. Discussions ensued regarding retaining files and internet access. Wolf stated that Rob Cleveland, Cornerstone Alliance, will present information on the harbor Waterways grant.

Elliott confirmed the consent calendar. He reminded the Commissioners of the 11:30 meeting honoring Kenneth Wendzel.

Public Comment

Tony Benhart, Sodus Township – Discussed the Road Department salt bids and questioned the delivery method for the salt.

Miscellaneous

Curran has adjusted the reporting schedule so the Sheriff will report every other month. He will continue to provide monthly reports. He made this adjustment to allow for additional updates from the Road Department.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14am.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Arent". The signature is stylized with a large initial letter.

Jennifer Arent