

BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2019

CHAIRMAN TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairperson R. McKinley Elliott called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 P.M. at the St. Joseph - Lincoln Senior Center, 3271 Lincoln Avenue, St. Joseph, Michigan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

St. Joseph - Lincoln Senior Center Board President Rick Freridge, led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

INVOCATION:

Pastor Steve Hartten, Peace Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL:

The Chair instructed the Clerk to take a roll call with the following results:

9 PRESENT: William Chickering, Jim Curran, Robert Harrison, Christopher Heugel, Jon Hinkelman, Michael Majerek, Ezra Scott, Mamie Yarbrough and R. McKinley Elliott.

3 ABSENT: Teri Freehling, Don Meeks and Dave Vollrath.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 22, 2019 MEETING:

Commissioner Heugel moved, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to approve the regular minutes of August 22, 2019. Motion carried, no nays.

COMMUNICATION(S):

County Clerk Sharon Tyler received and distributed to the Board the following resolutions:

- A resolution from the Alger County Board of Commissioners, supports the Caro Center in Tuscola County Michigan, received on August 23, 2019.
- A resolution from the Wexford County Board of Commissioners, opposes legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots provided to Michigan voters, received on August 23, 2019.
- A resolution from the Marquette County Board of Commissioners, opposes legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots provided to Michigan voters, received on August 26, 2019.
- A resolution from the Eaton County Board of Commissioners, requests a waiver of health and rehabilitation services Medicaid audit takeback, received on August 27, 2019.
- A resolution from the Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners, supports the Enbridge's Line 5 Tunnel, received on August 28, 2019.

REQUISITION REVIEW:

Shelley Jasper presented the requisitions to the Board for review.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Chairperson Elliott recognized elected officials in the audience and thanked them for being in attendance today.

PRESENTATION - St. Joseph - Lincoln Senior Center Board President Rick Freridge:

Board President of the St. Joseph - Lincoln Senior Center Rick Freridge, introduced Executive Director Cindi McLaughlin and staff members. He announced the Board members of the St. Joseph - Lincoln Senior Center. Rick Freridge gave an overview on the St. Joseph - Lincoln Senior Center. He said about 260 individuals use the Senior Center each day. The attendance for the Senior Center has been going up by about 17% to 19% each year. He spoke about the new software, called My Senior Center, and how it was installed after the County asked for attendance numbers, this has enabled the Senior Center to better track attendance numbers. Discussion was held.

Chairperson Elliott thanked the St. Joseph - Lincoln Senior Center for hosting tonight's meeting, and asked the Senior Center Board members to stand and be recognized.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING RESOLUTIONS - Public comments at this portion of the meeting must be related to resolutions listed on today's agenda only. Those speaking during public comments may do so no longer than two minutes and shall identify themselves by name and city, township, or village. (Article III, 3.9B-C): None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Commissioner Harrison moved, seconded by Commissioner Heugel, to approve today's Consent Calendar as presented:

<u>Resolutions #</u>	<u>Description</u>
F1909043	Weekly Bills
B1909090	Weekly Requisitions
F1909125	Approve Road Payables

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call the roll resulting as follows:

9 YEAS: Chickering, Curran, Harrison, Heugel, Hinkelman, Majerek, Scott, Yarbrough and Elliott.

Motion carried, no nays.

ADDED RESOLUTIONS: None.

COMMISSIONER REPORT(S):

Commissioners presented their Commissioner Reports. The Commissioners introduced themselves and the districts they represent.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS - Those speaking during public comments may do so no longer than two minutes and shall identify themselves by name and city, township, or village. (Article III, 3.9B-C): None.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Commissioner Scott spoke about a vacancy on the Land Bank Authority Board and recommended to appoint the Board's second choice from the last interviews.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS:

Chairperson Elliott announced the following:

- Next Board of Commissioners night meeting will be held at the Berrien County Administration Center on Thursday, October 3, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

DEMONSTRATION – Cardio Drumming:

Rick Freridge introduced Jean Green, Cardio Fitness Drumming Instructor. Jean Green spoke about the Cardio Fitness Drumming class. The class performed one of their routines.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

R. McKinley Elliott, Chairperson

Sharon J. Tyler, County Clerk

Minutes are to be approved at the full board meeting on September 12, 2019.