

**BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Minutes of the March 3, 2022 Personnel and Human Services Committee Meeting.

Meeting held in Conference Room 4B of the County Administration Center

Attendance was as follows:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>
Bob Harrison	X		Brian Dissette, Mac Elliott, Guy Miller, Dan Fette
Michael Majerek	X		Annette Christie
Rayonte Bell	X		Public: Melissa Clapper

**County Administration**

- Meeting called to order at 9:16 a.m.
- Attendance is reflected above.
- Motion by Commissioner Bell, supported by Commissioner Majerek to approve the minutes of February 24, 2022 as presented. 3 yeas, 0 nays Motion carried.
- A discussion regarding the Board Bylaws was held as the committee began working on the revisions and updates to the bylaws. Different ideas were floated. Chairman Harrison asked for staff to review some of the ideas and gather information regarding such.
- Commissioner Bell said he would like to have representatives from the Immigration Network to come and speak to PHSC about getting the support of the BOC for Drive Safe bills in the legislature.
- The following Resolutions were reviewed and signed by all Committee members:
  - P2203214 - Approve complement change in Community Development
  - P2203212 - Accept additional Emerging Threats funds that will allow for additional nurse lead case management and home visits.
  - P2203205 – Acceptance of EGLE beach monitoring funding.

**Health Department**

Guy Miller presented this month’s Health Department resolutions and answered the committee’s questions regarding them. Guy told the committee that he would like to hire for the Hearing Vision Coordinator position, which has been vacant for a couple of months. The funding is in the budget. He will be posting that position. He updated the committee on the lead line project replacement in Benton Harbor. He stressed the difficulty they are having in making sure that users of filters are using them properly and replacing them as needed. They are actively working on additional ways to communicate that information. At yesterday’s Board of Health meeting, there were no negative comments...first time in a very long time.

**Community Development**

Community Development Director Dan Fette presented a plan to address the County’s transportation services due to an upcoming vacancy in one of the key staff members. Today, the Finance Committee will have a resolution authorizing a contractual relationship with a former staff member who has extensive experience in that area. He was asking PHSC for their support of a complement change in Community Development that would add a Transportation Operations Manager and give the county a staff person to oversee the program. The committee was supportive of the plan.

**Administrator/Chairman**

Chairman Mac Elliott and Administrator Dissette were in for a Q & A session. The Administrator noted that for the first time there are no quarantines or positives at the Berrien County jail. He reviewed the challenges in working with the State on the lead problem in BH.

Adjourned 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Christie  
Executive Assistant to the Administrator