



AGENDA
Regular Meeting of the County Board of Commissioners
Van Buren County

February 28, 2017

4:00 PM

Board of Commissioners Chambers - 219 East Paw Paw Street

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. February 14, 2017
5. PUBLIC COMMENT
6. ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Recommendation/Discussion:

 - A. ** Zero Tolerance - Retaliation Policy
7. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Recommendation/Discussion:

 - A. ** Paw Paw Wine Festival - Use of County Property
8. FINANCE/AUDITING COMMITTEE

Recommendation/Discussion:

 - A. ** Brownfield Re-Development Project - MEDQ Loan
 - B. ** Foster Swift - Legal Bill - New Covert Gen. Plant
 - C. ** Sheriff's Office - Jail Staffing
 - D. ** Rose Street Consulting Agreement
 - E. Medical Examiner Contract
9. LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND CONTRACTS

Recommendation/Discussion:
10. PUBLIC COMMENT
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION
12. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE
13. COMMITTEE/OUT-BOARD ASSIGNMENTS
14. ADJOURNMENT

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County Administrator Agenda Item
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- **February 14, 2017**



MINUTES
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Board of Commissioners Chambers - 219 East Paw Paw Street

1. CALL TO ORDER

On the above date, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by RICHARD GODFREY, Chairman of the Board.

The roll was called by County Clerk Suzie Roehm with the following commissioners answering to their name and district: Present: Gail Patterson-Gladney, District #1; Kurt Doroh; District #2; Richard Godfrey, District #3; ; Mike Toth, District #5; Donald A. Hanson, District #6; Paul S. Schincariol District #7. Absent: Richard Freestone; District #4

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Delete: Executive Session

Add: Item B. Administrative Affairs

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

All items on the agenda marked with "***" are part of the consent agenda. Commissioners or the public can request that items be removed from the consent agenda. It is noted that the addition of items requiring action at today's meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

Motion by Don Hanson, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, to approve the agenda as amended. Carried

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Don Hanson, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Motion Carried

A. January 24, 2017

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Nick Culp, Palisades Manager of Government Affairs, reported on the quarterly emergency drill, spring refueling and record number of days with no injuries.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A. Kinexus - Support Resolution - Palisades Nuclear Plant

ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS RESOLUTION AA1/2-14-2017

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Don Hanson,

WHEREAS, the Palisades Nuclear Plant owned by Entergy Nuclear Co. is scheduled to close on October 1, 2018 with an estimated impact to the County of approximately \$10 million loss in tax revenue, and the loss of the innumerable millions of dollars of ancillary revenue to the community in the form of company donations, employee wages, local supplier agreements, contract labor and the like, and:

WHEREAS, the closing of the plant will result in over 600 high-paying jobs no longer being in the community, resulting in the loss of employees patronizing local businesses, decrease in home ownership throughout the region, and countless volunteer hours to local community based organizations no longer being served, and;

WHEREAS, it is recognized by the County local elected officials the closing of this plant is an unprecedented economic event for Van Buren County and the greater community, and will need an unparalleled response by its workforce and economic development agency to mitigate the significant negative impact on the community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners are supporting the formation of the Joint Adjustment Committee (JAC) as proposed by Kinexus, Van Buren County's lead workforce and economic development agency of record. It is understood that the JAC will be comprised of both private and public sector members who will be charged with assisting the company and community with strategies to alleviate the impact of the plant closing.

Carried

B. Administrator Cultra Retirement

Administrator Douglas Cultra has provided notice of his retirement.

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Kurt Doroh, to accept Administrator Cultra's notice of retirement effective April 30, 2017.

Carried

7. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

There were no items on the agenda.

8. FINANCE/AUDITING COMMITTEE

A. ** BC/BS Contract for Reinsurance for Prescription Claims

FINANCE RESOLUTION F5/2-14-2017

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Don Hanson,

WHEREAS, a request has been made to add prescription to the BC/BS reinsurance program, and;

WHEREAS, the County's current reinsurance policy does not cover prescription drugs except for the attachment point, and;

WHEREAS, the County currently contracts with BC/BS to provide a \$60,000 layer of reinsurance for each program participant and the request is to increase the reinsurance coverage from \$60,000 to \$75,000 per program participant, and;

WHEREAS, under the proposed change in our reinsurance coverage the County would be reimbursed for combined expenses for hospital, professional services and prescriptions that exceed \$75,000.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the request to increase our reinsurance coverage from \$60,000 to \$75,000.

Carried

B. ** Juvenile Court - Appointed Attorney Contract

FINANCE RESOLUTION F6/2-14-2017

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Don Hanson,

WHEREAS, the Family Court is requesting Board approval to increase the contract amount for the Court Appointed Attorney's from \$190,000 to \$215,000 effective October 1, 2016, and;

WHEREAS, Family/Juvenile Court has historically used a contractual arrangement with 11 attorneys who provide legal services for people

involved in the court's process and it has been 14 years since the last increase was granted to the attorneys, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the request for an increase to the Court Appointed Attorney Contract as proposed effective April 1, 2017.

Carried

C. ** Department of Health and Human Services - Lighting Bids

FINANCE RESOLUTION F7/2-14-2017

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Don Hanson,

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has approached the County regarding the installation of new workstations and carpet in the area that houses most of the caseworkers at the Department of Health and Human Services Building, and;

WHEREAS, the current workstations are the vehicle which provides the task lights as well as indirect lighting of the surrounding area and if moved there will not any indirect lighting except for the task lighting directly associated with the specific workstation, and;

WHEREAS, Buildings and Grounds has secured a bid for lighting that would comply with the construction schedule and is requesting to award the bid to Linear Electric of Benton Harbor in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 and pay DLZ \$12,500 for the supervision of the installation of the lighting to be paid from fund 249-900-975.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the request to secure the bid of Linear Electric of Benton harbor in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 for the lighting project for the Department of the Health and Human Services Building and pay DLZ \$12,500 for the supervision of the installation of the new lighting.

Carried

D. ** Department of Health and Human Services - Carpet and Tile

FINANCE RESOLUTION F8/2-14-2017

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Don Hanson,

WHEREAS, a request has been made for the purchase and installation of carpet and luxury vinyl tile for the hallways, entries and breakrooms at the Department of Health and Human Services Building, and;

WHEREAS, this is another part of the renovation project in which the State of Michigan has given the County over a million dollars to cover various improvements, and;

WHEREAS, the State already has a vendor putting carpet in all of the other areas so they requested that we use the same vendor to be consistent and in lieu of redoing tile we will be putting in carpet which is more cost effective, and;

WHEREAS, a quote was submitted from Lansing Tile & Mosaic, Inc. in the amount of \$24,867.00 to be paid from fund 245-900-975.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the request to replace carpet and tile in the listed areas as proposed in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Carried

E. Brownfield Project

FINANCE RESOLUTION F9/2-14-2017

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney,

**VAN BURENCOUNTY, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ACT 381 COMBINED
BROWNFIELD AND WORK PLAN BY THE COUNTY OF VAN BUREN
PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 381
OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ON 1996, AS AMENDED**

At the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Van County, Michigan held in the Board of Commissioners Room, County Administration Building, located at 219 East Paw Paw St., Suite 302, Paw Paw, Michigan on the 14th day of February, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Patterson-Gladney, Doroh, Godfrey, Toth, Hanson and Schincariol

ABSENT: Freestone

MOTION BY: Toth

SUPPORTED BY: Patterson-Gladney

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act,

being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended (the "Act"), have formally resolved to participate in the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) of Van Buren County (the "Authority") and have designated that all related activities shall proceed through the BRA; and

WHEREAS, the Authority, pursuant to and in accordance with Section 13 of the Act, has reviewed, adopted and recommended for approval by the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners, the Act 381 Combined Brownfield and Work Plan (the "Plan") attached hereto, to be carried out within the Village of Paw Paw, relating to the redevelopment project proposed by Midwest V, LLC on the commercial property located at the former Paw Paw Laundry Site at 711 East Michigan Avenue in the Village of Paw Paw (the Site), and more specifically described in Appendix A and shown on the Site Plan in the Figures section of the Plan.

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners have reviewed the Plan, and have been provided a reasonable opportunity to express their views and recommendations regarding the Plan and in accordance with sections 13(13) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners have noticed and held a public hearing in accordance with Section 13(10, 11, 12 and 13) of the Act, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Paw Paw has passed a resolution supporting adoption of the Plan;

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners have made the following determinations and findings:

- A. The Plan constitutes a public purpose under the Act;
- B. The Plan meets all of the requirements for a Brownfield plan set forth in Section 13 of the Act;
- C. The proposed method of financing the costs of the eligible activities, as described in the Plan, is feasible;
- D. The costs of the eligible activities proposed in the Plan are reasonable and necessary to carry out the purpose of the Act;
- E. The amount of captured taxable value estimated to result from the adoption of the Plan is reasonable; and

WHEREAS, as a result of its review of the Plan, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners concur with approval of the Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Plan Approved. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners, by the Act, the Plan is hereby approved in the form attached to this resolution.

2. Severability. Should any section, clause or phrase of this Resolution be declared by the courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Resolution as a whole nor any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

3. Repeals. All resolutions or parts of resolution in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

AYES: Patterson-Gladney, Doroh, Godfrey, Toth, Hanson and Schincariol

NAYES: None

ABSTAINED: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

COUNTY OF VAN BUREN) ss:

I, the undersigned, the fully qualified Clerk of Van Buren County, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the County Board of Commissioners of Van Buren County at a regular meeting held on the 14th day of February, 2017, the original of which resolution is on file in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my official signature this 14th day of February, 2017.

Suzie Roehm, Van Buren County Clerk

ROLL CALL VOTE: DISTRICT 1: PATTERSON-GLADNEY - YES; DISTRICT 2: DOROH - YES; DISTRICT 3: GODFREY - YES; DISTRICT 5: TOTH - YES; DISTRICT 6: HANSON - YES; DISTRICT 7: SCHINCARIOL - YES. 6 - YES; 0 - NO;

Carried

F. Claims/Auditing

CLAIMS RESOLUTION C2/2-14-2017

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Kurt Doroh,

WHEREAS, claims in the amount of \$1,814,567.54 for January 2017 were submitted and reviewed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves total claims in the amount of \$1,814,567.54.

Carried

9. LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND CONTRACTS

Negotiations are continuing.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

This item was deleted from the agenda.

12. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

Van Buren County Board of Road Commissioners Minutes

- **December 22, 2016**
- **January 5, 2017**
- **January 19, 2017**

Van Buren/Cass District Board of Health Minutes

- **January 11, 2017**

Village of Paw Paw letter in appreciation of Paul DeYoung

13. COMMITTEE/OUT-BOARD ASSIGNMENTS

Van Buren/Cass Health Board

Sobriety Court

Claims

Mental Health Board

Building Authority

Brownfield

Southwest Michigan Planning Commission

Veteran's Court Graduation

**Paw Paw Village Meeting
Wellness Committee
Public tours of Courthouse and Jail/dates and times**

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

**Richard Godfrey
Chairman of the Board**

**Suzie Roehm
County Clerk**



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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- ▢ **Zero Tolerance - Retaliation Policy**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, a recommendation has come from the Administrative Affairs Committee for the approval of a county Zero Tolerance Retaliation Policy, and

WHEREAS, Van Buren County is committed to maintaining a work environment free from all forms of harassment, discrimination and retaliation, and;

WHEREAS, Van Buren County has a zero tolerance policy regarding retaliation of any kind, whether it be by elected or appointed officials, administrators, managers, supervisors, staff, visitors, third – parties transacting business with the County, etc., and;

WHEREAS, this Zero Tolerance Policy prohibits retaliation of any kind against any applicant or employee who complains pursuant to this policy or who participates in any County investigation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approve the recommended Zero Tolerance Retaliation Policy and that all Van Buren County Officials (elected and appointed) and employees are required to abide by this policy and are responsible for honoring this policy.

Signed: _____

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FOR CLERK'S USE ONLY

MOTION BY:

CARRIED

SECONDED BY:

NOT CARRIED



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Description

- ▢ **Paw Paw Wine Festival - Use of County Property**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, the Paw Paw Wine and Harvest Festival has submitted a request for the use of county property for the Wine & Harvest Festival in September 2017, and;

WHEREAS, the property requested is for the west side and the front half of the east side of the park. Also, the area in front of the Historical Society building on Michigan Ave and the small parking lot across from the Courthouse, Paw Paw Street and Niles Street, and;

WHEREAS, be it noted that all vehicles are prohibited from entering the south side of the park or driving across the sidewalks and that a Certificate of Insurance will be put on file for liability purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the use of the county park, the Administration Building Parking lot and the courthouse parking lot by the Paw Paw Wine & Harvest Festival for the 2017 Wine & Harvest Festival.

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Description

- ▢ **Brownfield Re-Development Project - MEDQ Loan**

VAN BUREN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION
BY THE COUNTY OF VAN BUREN TO APPLY FOR A LOAN FROM THE MDEQ
PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 381 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS
OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ON 1996, AS AMENDED**

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PRESENT:

ABSENT:

MOTION BY:

SUPPORTED BY:

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to and in accordance with the provision of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended (the "Act"), have formally resolved to participate in the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) of Van Buren County (the "Authority") and have designated that all related activities shall proceed through the BRA; and

WHEREAS, the Authority, pursuant to and in accordance with Section 13 of the Act, has reviewed, adopted and recommended for approval by the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners, the application to the MDEQ in the amount of \$180,000 attached hereto, be approved for the redevelopment project proposed by Midwest V, LLC on the commercial property located at the former Paw Paw Laundry Site at 711 East Michigan Avenue in the Village of Paw Paw (the Site), as more specifically described in Appendix A and shown on the Site Plan in the Figures section of the Plan.

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners have reviewed the Plan, and have been provided a reasonable opportunity to express their views and recommendations regarding the Plan and in accordance with sections 13(13) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners have noticed and held a public hearing in accordance with Section 13(10, 11, 12 and 13) of the Act, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Paw Paw has passed a resolution supporting adoption of the Plan;

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners have made the following determinations and findings:

- A. The Plan constitutes a public purpose under the Act;
- B. The Plan meets all of the requirements for a Brownfield plan set forth in Section 13 of the Act;
- C. The proposed method of financing the costs of the eligible activities, as described in the Plan, is feasible;
- D. The costs of the eligible activities proposed in the Plan are reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act;
- E. The amount of captured taxable value estimated to result from adoption of the Plan is reasonable; and

WHEREAS, as a result of its review of the Plan, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners concur with application of the MDEQ Loan in support of the Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. **MDEQ Loan be approved for submittal to the MDEQ for approval.** Pursuant to the authority vested in the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners, by the Act, the request to apply for the loan is hereby approved in the form attached to this resolution.
2. **Severability.** Should any section, clause or phrase of this Resolution be declared by the courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Resolution as a whole nor any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.
3. **Repeals.** All resolutions or parts of resolution in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSTAINED:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

COUNTY OF VAN BUREN) ss:

I, the undersigned, the fully qualified Clerk of Van Buren County, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the County Board of Commissioners of Van Buren County at a regular meeting held on the 28th day of February 2017, the original of which resolution is on file in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my official signature this ____ day of _____, 2017.

Suzie Roehm, Van Buren County Clerk



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- ▢ **Foster Swift - Legal Bill - New Covert Gen.**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **FINANCE** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, a request has been made for the authorization to pay an invoice in the amount of \$25,351.70 to Foster Swift for the services of Jack VanCoevering for the New Covert Appeal case., and;

WHEREAS, the invoice is in regard to the defense of the assessment for the New Covert Power Plant and covers preparation of information, Cost Sharing Agreement, Intervention, and misc., and;

WHEREAS, it appears the bill from the attorney is appropriate and can be absorbed by the 2016 – 2017 budget and will be paid from fund 101.0103.0-801.028.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the payment of \$25,357.70 for the New Covert Generating

Signed: _____

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CARRIED

SECONDED BY:

NOT CARRIED



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- ▢ **Sheriff's Office - Jail Staffing**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **FINANCE** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office is requesting approval for a realignment in staffing for the Corrections Department, and;

WHEREAS, the Sheriff and Undersheriff would like to eliminate four part-time positions and replace them with two full – time Corrections Officers, and;

WHEREAS, this proposal will increase the number of full-time Correction Officers from 16 to 18 and on an annual basis will increase the jail's budget by \$28,940.00 but for FY 2017 the actual increase will only be \$16,881.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the request of the Sheriff and Undersheriff to eliminate the part-time Correction Officer position's and replace them with two full-time Corrections Officer positions effective the date of this resolution.

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- ▣ **Rose Street Consulting Agreement**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **FINANCE** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, a request has been made for the approval of a proposed consulting services agreement between Rose Street Advisor and Van Buren County for the period of March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018 in the amount of \$31,200.00 per year to be paid from the fringe benefit fund, and;

WHEREAS, Rose Street Advisor is responsible for assisting the County Board and advising them on matters pertaining to fringe benefits during labor negotiations, ensure the County is compliant with all rules and regulation's concerning fringe benefits, and;

WHEREAS, they manage the County's compliance with PA 152 and Affordability Care Act which is complicated, voluminous and ever changing, and;

WHEREAS, they prepare bid specifications for Life Insurance, Short and Long Term Disability Insurance, Dental, Vision and Health Insurance and serve as the County's advocate with third party payer's which includes BC/BS.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the consulting agreement between Rose Street Advisors and Van Buren County as presented and authorizes the Board Chair to execute said agreement on their behalf.

Signed: _____

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- ▢ **Medical Examiner Contract - WMU**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **FINANCE** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office is requesting authorization to engage in an agreement between Western Michigan University School of Medicine and Van Buren County, for all Medical Examiner Office services required by the laws of the State of Michigan and;

WHEREAS, under this collaborative arrangement all operational personnel would be physically located at the WMU School of Medicine, and;

WHEREAS, this would vastly improve our services to the funeral home, police agencies and the general public, and;

WHEREAS, the total fixed annual rate, which does not include autopsies, for the first year of the contract is \$77,835 with a 2% increase annually.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the services agreement between Van Buren County and Western Michigan University School of Medicine for the services of the Medical Examiner's Office and authorizes the Board Chair to execute said agreement on their behalf.

Signed: _____

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