



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

February 14, 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. January 24, 2017
5. PUBLIC COMMENT
6. ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Recommendation/Discussion:

 - A. Kinexus - Support Resolution - Palisades Nuclear Plant
7. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Recommendation/Discussion:
8. FINANCE/AUDITING COMMITTEE

Recommendation/Discussion:

 - A. ** BC/BS Contract for Reinsurance for Prescription Claims
 - B. ** Juvenile Court - Appointed Attorney Contract
 - C. ** Department of Health and Human Services - Lighting Bids
 - D. ** Department of Health and Human Services - Carpet and Tile
 - E. Brownfield Project
 - F. Claims/Auditing
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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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- **january 24, 2017**

Van Buren County Board of Commissioners January 24, 2017

Regular Meeting - 2nd Floor, Administration & Land Services Building

On the above date, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order at 4:20 p.m. by RICHARD GODFREY, Chairman of the Board.

The roll was called by Special Deputy County Clerk DEBBIE HALL with the following commissioners answering to their name and district: Present: GAIL PATTERSON-GLADNEY, District #1; KURT DOROH; District #2; RICHARD GODFREY, District #3; ABSENT, District #4; MIKE TOTH, District #5; DONALD A. HANSON, District #6; PAUL S. SCHINCARIOL, District #7.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Deletions: Executive Session

Approval of Consent Agenda (Note Consent Agenda items marked with **)

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 HANSON, SECOND BY TOTH, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED.

****Approval of Minutes**

January 10, 2017 – Regular Meeting

Public Comment

SHERIFF DAN ABBOTT, introduced Dan Rowse as a new hire to the Animal Control Department. They will be moving him to Road Patrol in a couple of weeks. He is from Battle Creek but will be moving to Van Buren County in the near future.

LARRY HUMMEL, from the Road Commission was present to give a brief overview of the Road Commission's budget. The MTF is not until February and will be 6.4 mil higher than budgeted. Federal and State Projects were 2.4 mil. Overall 3.5 mil was donated by the local townships. Total revenues and expenditures are 22.3 mil

SHERIFF DAN ABBOTT, reported that we received a check for \$50,000 from Concierge Corrections. They are a services that monies for overcharges that are don regarding medical for the jail. They get 34% of what they collect and they have recouped \$80,000 to date. He also reported that we had one of our canine dogs sniff out \$155,000 cash from a car stopped on the highway. And that mediation was going well and hope to have it resolved within the next week.

Administrative Affairs

There were no items on the agenda.

Building and Grounds

There were no items on the agenda.

Finance/Auditing

****A. Prosecutor's Office – Temporary Paid Internship**

FINANCE RESOLUTION F3/01-24-2017

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Prosecutor's Office has requested approval to hire a paid internship position for the spring semester in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00, and;

WHEREAS, this position will assist the office with an up and coming case and will be paid from fund 101-229.0-704.00 in which there is \$10,000 to cover part time positions for situations like this.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approve the request of the Prosecutor's Office for a paid internship position in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00.

****B. Sheriff's Office – Animal Control – Vehicle Purchase**

FINANCE RESOLUTION F4/1-24-2017

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has submitted a request for the purpose of replacing an Animal Control truck, and;

WHEREAS, four quotes/bids were received and reviewed and the request is for the purchase of a 2017 Ram 1500 Ext. Cab 4 x 4 from McFadden Friendly Motors, South haven, MI in the amount of \$23,613.00 to be paid from fund 101.0-430.0-981.00.

NOW, THEREORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners approves the request of the Sheriff's Office to purchase a new vehicle for Animal Control in an amount not to exceed \$23,613.00.

Labor Negotiations and Contracts

There were no items on the agenda.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Board Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Commissioner Reports and Meetings Attended

- Area Agency on Aging – tour of facility
- Municipalities
- Southwest Michigan Planning Commission
- Road Commission
- Public Transit – handed out documents that Sue Hammond had asked for. They are not an authority and cannot enter into agreements. Would like this put on the COW agenda on February 14, 2017.
- Septic System Work Group
- Administrative Affairs Committee will review County Policies
- 911
- Labor negotiations
- Economic Development
- Cost Sharing – New Covert
- MI Works
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Southwest MI Substance Abuse
- Mattawan Village
- Active Shooter
- Meeting with Mike Henry – Ballot issue.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Richard Godfrey
Chairman of the Board

Debbie Hall
Special Deputy County Clerk



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- ▢ **Kinexus - Support Rersolution - Palisades Nuclera Plant**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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.

Signed: _____

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NOT CARRIED



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- ▢ **BC/BS Contract for Reinsurance for Prescription Claims**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **FINANCE** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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, THEREORE 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.

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- ▣ **Juvenile Court - Court Appointed Attorney Contract**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **FINANCE** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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.

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- ▢ **DHHS - Lighting Project**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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 be 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.

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- ▢ **DHHS - Carpeting and Tile Project**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF **FINANCE** COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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.

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- ▢ **Brownfield Project - Dollar General**

VAN BUREN COUNTY, 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 Buren 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:

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 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), 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 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:

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 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 ____ day of _____, 2017.

Suzie Roehm, Van Buren County Clerk



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- ▢ **Claims/Auditing**

VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION MOTION REPORT OF CLAIMS/AUDITING COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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

Signed: _____

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