Organizational Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse in Centreville, Michigan on January 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Deputy County Clerk Jill Ross, acting as Chairman, called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy County Clerk Jill Ross called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Dennis Allen	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Allen J. Balog	Ken Malone
	Kathy Pangle

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Chair Ross stated that nominations were in order for Chairman.

Commissioner Pangle nominated Commissioner Allen.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Commissioner Allen for Chairman. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Commissioner Malone nominated Commissioner Balog.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Commissioner Balog for Vice-Chairman. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

AGENDA

Chairman Allen assumed the Chair.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for December 18, 2018 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Calling on Governor Snyder to veto any legislation that changes existing law pertaining to the duties of the Governor, Secretary of State and Attorney General.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Tim Carls, Florence Township, commented on the roads and the Road Commission.

Gordon Evilisizor, Florence Township Supervisor, welcomed the Board of Commissioners.

Rebecca Shank, 385 S. Washington St. of Constantine, commented on the timing of comments.

CISMA Director Jared Harmon, Conservation District, presented invasive species management information.

SET 2019 BOARD MEETING DATES

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve schedule as presented. Motion carried.

SET 2019 EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the schedule as presented. Motion carried.

LABOR AGREEMENT WITH DISTRICT COURT EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the labor agreement with District Court employees' association. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

HONORING VETERAN ROBERT W. BRIGGS
RESOLUTION 1-2019

Stoney Summey, Veterans' Affairs Director, presented the following proclamation honoring Veteran Robert W. Briggs for his service as he celebrates his 100th birthday. The proclamation was read by Commissioner Balog.

WHEREAS, Robert W. Briggs was born on January 4, 1919 in Jackson, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Robert Briggs was married to his loving wife Helen for 70 years; and

WHEREAS, Robert Briggs served our Great Nation in the United States Navy from May 25, 1944 to February 2, 1946; and

WHEREAS, Robert Briggs held the position of Motor Machinist Mate Third Class while serving in World War II; earning the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, American Theatre Campaign Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners recognizes Veteran Robert W. Briggs as he celebrates his 100th birthday.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the proceedings of the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners this 2nd day of January 2019 and be presented to Robert Briggs at his celebratory birthday gathering.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the proclamation honoring Veteran Robert W. Briggs. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICE APROPRIATION
RESOLUTION 2-2019

Ms. Doehring presented the following annual appropriation for Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Service. This is an annual appropriation and was approved in the budget.

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County appropriates monies for St. Joseph County Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services of St. Joseph County; and

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County has budgeted $257,268.00 for Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services of St. Joseph County for 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer of St. Joseph County be respectfully directed to make quarterly transfers of $64,317.00 in 2019 to Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services of St. Joseph County around the first of the month for the months of January, April, July, and October 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Service Appropriation. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commission Pangle to appoint Vincent Mifsud to the road commission board with a term ending December 31, 2024. Motion carried 4-1, with Commissioner Balog dissenting

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring welcomed new Commissioner Malone and thanked deputy clerk, Jill Ross for filling in for the Clerk.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Budget Amendments

There were no budget amendments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Czajkowski stated that the Committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that the Committee had not met.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen thanked everyone for their comments and welcomed Commissioner Malone to the board.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Czajkowski and Commissioner Pangle also thanked everyone at the meeting and looked forward to working together.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:36 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until January 15, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

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Jill Ross, Deputy County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse in Centreville, Michigan on January 15, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Ken Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator

AGENDA

Commissioner Balog asked that the resolution for Veteran Flynn be removed.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the minutes for January 2, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Urging our Legislators to revise Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

There were no comments.

PUBLIC HEARING PARKS AND RECREATION 5-YEAR PLAN

Chairman Allen opened the floor for public comment at 5:03 p.m.

Rebecca Shank of Constantine asked that the master plan not include tax revenue to purchase tax producing properties and that parks not compete with private enterprise.

Chairman Allen closed the floor for public comment at 5:04 p.m.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – DEPUTY PROBATE REGISTER

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the exception to the hiring freeze. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – ROAD PATROL AND CORRECTION

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the exceptions to the hiring freeze. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR RESTITUTION OF LIVESTOCK

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the request for restitution. Motion carried.

ACCEPT MSU EXTENSION 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the annual report and place it on file. Motion carried.

2019 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR EXTENSION SERVICES

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the agreement. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

2019 AERIAL IMAGERY CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the contract. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

FY 2019 ADULT DRUG TREATMENT COURT GRANT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the grant contract. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

GRANT WRITER AGREEMENT WITH GRANTSMANSHIP CONSULTING, LLC

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the agreement. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

PARKS AND RECREATION 5-YEAR PLAN ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 3-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of St. Joseph County has undertaken a Five-year Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan which describes the physical features, existing recreation facilities, and the desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain recreation facilities for the period of 2019 through 2023; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing and comment session was held January 15, 2019 at the St. Joseph County Courthouse to provide an opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of St. Joseph County has developed the plan for the benefit of the entire community and to adopt the plan as a document to assist in meeting the recreation needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners voted to adopt said Recreation Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the St. Joseph County Parks and Recreation Plan as a guideline for improving recreation for the residents of the County of St. Joseph.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the resolution and waive second reading to adopt the resolution approving the 5-year plan. Discussion included the need for additional snowmobile trails in the county.

Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMUNITY HEALTH AGENCY APPROPRIATION
RESOLUTION 4-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County is a member of the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency (CHA); and

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County is committed to supporting programs that provide access to appropriate health care services for low-income residents of St. Joseph County; and

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County has budgeted $307,700.00 in 2019 to finance a portion of the Community Health Agency; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 St. Joseph County and the Community Health Agency entered into a building lease agreement for 1110 Hill Street, Three Rivers, for an annual rent of $1.00 per year payable by January 15th; and

WHEREAS, it would be appropriate to reduce the appropriation by $1.00 to represent the yearly rent payment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Joseph County Treasurer is respectfully directed to make quarterly transfers at the direction of the CHA. The CHA will determine the amounts and the timing for each quarterly transfer.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog to approve the resolution and waive second reading to approve the appropriation. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

HONORING VETERAN RICHARD FREEMAN
RESOLUTION 5-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Richard Freeman was born on February 17, 1919 in Detroit, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Richard Freeman married his loving wife Mildred on July 12, 1945; and

WHEREAS, Richard Freeman served our Great Nation in the United States Army during World War II from May 5, 1941 to October 27, 1945; and

WHEREAS, Richard Freeman earned the European-African-Middle Eastern which included six Bronze stars and a Good Conduct Medal; and

WHEREAS, Richard Freeman also earned the Bronze Star Medal; and

WHEREAS, Richard Freeman owned and operated Freeman Manufacturing in Sturgis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners recognizes Veteran Richard Freeman as he celebrates his 100th birthday.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the proceedings of the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners this 15th day of January 2019 and be presented to Richard Freeman at his celebratory birthday gathering.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog to approve the proclamation honoring Veteran Richard Freeman. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commission Pangle to reappoint Judges Middleton, Pattison, Stutesman, and Tomlinson; John McDonough, Kitty Buchner, Lisa Martin, Gina Wagner, Tom Miles, Eddie MacKay, Rose Ludwick, Gerald Loudenslager, and Howard Bush to the Community Corrections Advisory Board with terms ending December 31, 2019. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring thanked Jenny Bower from the Finance Department for presenting finance reports.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Budget Amendments

There were no budget amendments.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

Per Diem and Expenses

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve payment of the per diems and expenses. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Czajkowski stated that the Committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that the Committee minutes were available.

Human Services

Commissioner Pangle noted a new Human Services website and provided an update.

911 Central Dispatch

Chairman Allen updated the Commissioner regarding the new tower construction.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen had nothing further to report.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Balog commented on the high expectations of the Road Commission and Road Commission manager and the recent decision to not reappoint Rick Anderson to the road commission.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog to accept David Allen's resignation from the Road Commission and reappoint Rick Anderson in his place. The motion died for lack of support.

Commissioner Pangle noted the road commission appointment was made after interviews of potential candidates and not made in haste.

Commissioner Czajkowski supported Commissioner Pangle's statement and expressed that it was not the position of the Road Commission to appoint to that board.

Chairman Allen noted that he had communicated with Mr. Allen that the Commission was not asking anyone to resign and if Mr. Allen wished to resign, he could submit his resignation.

Commissioner Pangle noted that Mr. Allen offered the same with the last appointment, and if he wanted to step down, he should step down.

Commissioner Balog noted the current Road Commission members knew the job of the Road Commission better than anyone.

Commissioner Pangle and Commissioner Czajkowski discussed the desire to appoint members that the Commission felt would direct the Road Commission in the direction that the Commission wanted.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:35 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until February 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on February 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy County Clerk Casterline called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Kenneth L. Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, Administrator/Controller

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for January 15, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes of the Animal Control Advisory Board meetings of October 17, 2018 and January 16, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Tim Carls, Florence Township, commented on the Road Commission and investment of funds.

Rebecca Shank, Constantine Township, commented on the history of President's Day.

LEASE AGREEMENT FOR ANTENNA SPACE WITH WHITE PIGEON TOWNSHIP

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the lease agreement with White Pigeon Township. Motion carried.

ADDENDUM TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR ANTENNA SPACE WITH CITY OF STURGIS

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the addendum to the lease agreement with the City of Sturgis. Motion carried.

REVISED LEASE AGREEMENT FOR ANTENNA SPACE WITH SJC CONSERVATION CLUB

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the revised lease agreement with the St. Joseph County Conservation Club. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the appointment of Elena Agvilar to the Transportation Authority Board. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring noted the snow days during the past week and that the County was shut down. She expressed her gratitude to those at the Road Commission, Sheriff's Department, Central Dispatch, Building and Grounds and Parks, who continued to work through the weather. She thanked the staff for their dedication and commitment to the citizens of St. Joseph County.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the bills for January and that they be placed on file. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Chairman Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Chairman Malone stated that the Committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone stated that the Committee had not met.

Executive - Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that the Committee had not met.

Other Committees

Chairman Allen said the Road Commission would meet on February 28 at 4:30 p.m. in the History Room with himself and Chairman Czajkowski, along with three township supervisors, the chair and vice chair.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen thanked Paul Swanwick for ride along with the Road Commission during the snow storm. He thanked the Road Commission staff for their dedication.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on a snow plowing complaint on Crooked Creek Road.

Commissioner Czajkowski stated the $4 million fund balance for the Road Commission was invested wisely. He noted that the County Commission does not control or micromanage the Road Commission and that people need to report poor road conditions to the Road Commission.

Commissioner Malone noted the importance of a fund balance.

Commissioner Pangle received many comments from people that were pleased with the plowing of roads.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:32 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until February 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

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Valerie Casterline, Deputy County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on February 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Vice-chairman Balog called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy County Clerk Casterline called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Kenneth L. Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kathy Pangle

Also present: Teresa Doehring, Administrator/Controller

Commissioner Allen was absent.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for February 5, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Michigan Association of Counties, Re: Copy of revised by-laws that will be voted on March 27, 2019.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of January 16, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Tim Carls, Florence Township, commented on the ORV ordinance.

Beth Hubbard commented on the ORV ordinance, the dangers of ATVs, and the need to be safe while recognizing the need as a mode of transportation.

Rebecca Shank, Constantine Township, commented on George Washington.

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORV ORDINANCE

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to set the public hearing for April 16, 2019.

Discussion included that the draft was created from an example from another county and legal counsel had reviewed it; legal counsel had advised that the county could not register the vehicles without a designated trail system, though state registrations would still be required per State law.

Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the appointments of Christel Schwartz, Jessica Vazquez, and Dennis Allen to the Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse board. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring had nothing further to report.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried.

Per Diem and Expenses

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the payment. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Vice-chairman Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Vice-chairman Balog stated that the minutes were available.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted upcoming needs and progress toward improvement recommendations for the facilities.

Executive - Committee of the Whole

Vice-chairman Balog stated that the minutes were available.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Vice-chairman Balog had nothing further to report.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on Animal Control facility improvements.

Commissioner Czajkowski also commented on the responsibility of the Commission to appoint the Road Commission. He commented on Constantine Road portions that were completed and the need to complete the last few miles as discussed at the recent Florence Township meeting.

Commissioner Pangle commented on the upcoming Walk for Warmth.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:25 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until March 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on March 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Balog.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Oswald called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Kenneth L. Malone
Kathy Pangle	Dennis Allen

Also present: Finance Director Angie Steinman

Commissioner Czajkowski was absent.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for February 19, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Copy of letter to Governor Whitmer from Tim Carls, Re: Road Commission.

Minutes of the Animal Control Advisory Board meeting of February 5, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Rebecca Shank, Constantine Township, commented on agriculture preservation and the watershed board.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the appointments of Dan Czajkowski, Larry Rice, and John Fair to the Agricultural Preservation Board. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to appoint Angie Price to the Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse board. Motion carried.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were no budget amendments.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted discussion of building project recommendations and the equipment which had exceeded life expectancy by 20 years.

Executive - Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that the minutes were available.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen had nothing further to report.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Balog welcomed Finance Director Angie Steinman.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:12 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until March 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on March 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Kenneth L. Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: County Administrator Teresa Doehring and Finance Director Angie Steinman

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the minutes for March 5, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Copy of letter to Governor Whitmer from Tim Carls, Re: Road Commission's budget.

Resolution from Cheboygan County, Re: Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Tom Hogan of ABM commented on the upcoming infrastructure plan and capital through energy savings.

Gordon Evilsizor, Florence Township Supervisor, thanked Commissioner Allen for Constantine Road assistance.

MDOC GRANT – CHANGE ORDER 1

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the grant change order. Motion carried.

ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD BYLAWS

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the revised bylaws. Motion carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION PROPERTY DONATION

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the donation agreement. Motion carried.

AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH GABRIDGE & COMPANY, PLC

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the agreement with Gabridge and Co for audit services. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the appointments of Nathan Brown, Lori Lammon, and Rick Shaffer to the Animal Control Advisory Board. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring welcomed Ms. Steinman.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried 5-0 upon roll call vote.

Per Diem and Expenses

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the per diem and expenses as submitted. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted upcoming meeting about infrastructure and guaranteed energy savings return.

Executive - Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Pangle provided an update for Veterans' Services.

Commissioner Pangle commented about a roundabout planned in Colon Township.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen commented on the Constantine Road progress.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Pangle commented on the Constantine Road progress.

Commissioner Czajkowski noted the Animal Control Advisory Board was discussing facility needs.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:12 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until April 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on April 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy Clerk Jill Ross called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Kenneth L. Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Dennis Allen

Commissioner Pangle was absent.

Also present: Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the minutes for March 19, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from James Griffith, Re: Resignation from County Planning Commission.
Resolution from Baraga County, Re: Supporting HB 4227 (Creation of a Committee on Michigan's Mining Future).

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Board Meeting of February 20, 2019.
Newsletter from Southwest Michigan Land Conservancy – Winter/Spring 2019.
It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Tim Carls, Florence Township, requested clarification on the rescinding of a resignation from the Community Mental Health Board. Mr. Carls also commented on the condition of Kuhlmeyer Road.

Rebecca Shank, Constantine Township, commented on the history with the County and MSU.

Gordon Evilsizor, Florence Township Supervisor, commented on the resignation from the Community Mental Health Board.

Mike Stiles, News Director at WBET, invited everyone to listen or attend the United Way 10th annual radio show to be broadcasted on May 23, 2019.

2018 HOMELAND SECURITY INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the homeland security intergovernmental agreement. Motion Carried.

DRAIN COMMISSION'S ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to accept and place the report on file. Motion Carried.

CENTRAL DISPATCH'S ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to accept and place the report on file. Motion Carried.

REQUEST TO USE COUNTY PROPERTY FOR COVERED BRIDGE DAYS (July 12-13)

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the use of county property for covered bridge days. Motion Carried.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to appoint Michael Wilson and Cathy Knapp to the Workforce Development Board. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to reappoint Cathi Abbs and Anthony Heiser to the Community Mental Health Board. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to rescind the resignation of Donald Eaton from the Community Mental Health Board and to reappoint him to continue out his current term. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to reappoint Allen Balog, Charles Thompson, Bruce Zakrezewski, Sarah Beckle, Didimo Arreola, Elena Aguilar, Joseph Haas to the Transportation Authority Board. Motion Carried.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the budget amendments. Motion Carried.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the bills. Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone stated the next meetings were April 12, 2019 and April 26, 2019.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that minutes were available.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen thanked Mr. Carls for his comments about the Community Mental Health board.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Malone commented on the Community Mental Health Board decision for reconsideration of a member's resignation.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:22 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until April 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Jill Ross, Deputy County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on April 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen J. Balog	Kenneth L. Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for April 2, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution from Jackson County, Re: Michigan Indigent Defense Commission.

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Vince Mifsud, 24785 Sauger Lake Road, commented on the northern county ORV ordinances and allowing ORVs on primary road which would cause problems.

Laura Lee Knepper, 21884 M 60, extended an invitation for the dinner/auction hosted as a fundraiser by the Animal Rescue Fund.

Tim Carls, 63044 Klinger Lake Road, commented on concerns about the roundabout in Colon and potholes around the county.

Stoney Summey, Veteran Services Director, introduced Bravo, the new Veteran Service animal.
Michigan House Representative Aaron Miller provided an update on the legislature. He noted the insurance changes for no fault reform that had been proposed.

Rebecca Shank, 385 S. Constantine, commented on the tree removal in the county.

Commissioner Czajkowski asked about a number to call for potholes.

Road Commission Director John Lindsey provided contact information for potholes.

ORV ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to open the floor to public comment regarding the ORV ordinance.

Chairman Allen opened the floor to public hearing at 5:13 p.m.

Mr. Mifsud commented on the level of traffic on some roads and asked the Commission to consider limiting access to some roads.

Chairman Allen asked about meeting with the road commission to discuss specific roads.

Mr. Mifsud suggested a committee to review the county roads and determine which roads should prohibit ORV use.

Commissioner Balog noted that a state law addressed the issue by allowing a township to close roads within its boundaries for safety reasons. He suggested that the townships meet with the road commission to determine which roads meet the criteria to close the roads.

Mr. Mifsud suggested completing the road closures prior to adoption of the ordinance.

Commissioner Balog noted the county followed the state law to consider the ordinance with notice to the townships and in the newspapers.

Ms. Shank commented on existing golf cart use and the need to enforce the speed laws.

Don Gloy, White Pigeon Township Supervisor, distributed and read a resolution passed by the White Pigeon Township board supporting passage of the ordinance.

Mr, Carls commented on potential ORV damage to property, asked the revenue expected from the ordinance, and commented on insurance, accident potential, the use of firearms in the vehicles, ORVs already doing property damage, lack of trails, effects on dirt roads, helmets, and ORVs ruining seed corn.

Commissioner Balog noted that ORVs do need to be registered per state law.

Chairman Allen noted that no helmet was required if the vehicle had a roll bar.

John McGinski, Village of Burr Oak, commented on concerns for insurance and registration.

Commissioner Malone noted that state law did not allow insurance requirements in the ordinance.

Chairman Allen closed the floor to public hearing at 5:45 p.m.

Commissioner Malone noted the convenience of prohibiting travel on some of the major roads at the county level because the roads cross municipal boundaries.

Commissioner Balog noted the state law gave that authority to the townships with criteria that must be met. He mentioned that the township would know the roads better than the county commission.

Commissioner Czajkowski commented that ORVs were already allowed for agriculture; buggies, mopeds, bicycles were already allowed. He noted some northern counties determine the trail rather than list prohibited roads.

Commissioner Balog reported that more than 50 counties allow some type of ORV on the roads. He noted it was another way to attract residents, but people needed to be responsible.

Commissioner Czajkowski noted that the ORVs often are used for practical purposes such as snowplowing.

Chairman Allen noted the ORVs have been out on the road even without the ordinance. He wanted to leave road closure up to the townships.

EQUALIZATION REPORT AND RESOLUTION

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, MCL 211.34(1) requires the County Board of Commissioners to meet in April each year to determine county equalized valuations; which equalization shall be completed and submitted along with the tabular statement required by Section 5 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1911, as amended no later than May 1 of each year; and

WHEREAS, the assessment rolls of the various assessment jurisdictions have been reviewed by the various local Boards of Review throughout the County of St. Joseph and submitted to your Equalization Department in the appropriate timely manner; and

WHEREAS, those assessment rolls have been audited and balanced by your Equalization Department in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan and the guidelines of the State Tax Commission; the results of such being listed on the attached equalization report and on the prescribed Michigan Department of Treasury Form L-4024 (County Equalization Directors Report of County Equalization).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners approves the County Equalized Valuations as indicated within the attached equalization report a cumulative total for Real Property of $2,649,648,952 (Two Billion, Six Hundred Forty-Nine Million, Six Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars) and a cumulative total for Personal Property of $280,940,093 (Two Hundred Eighty Million, Nine Hundred Forty Thousand, Ninety-Three Dollars). The combined total of Real and Personal Property of the Cities and Townships in St. Joseph County is $2,930,589,045 (Two Billion, Nine Hundred Thirty Million, Five Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand, Forty-Five Dollars).

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to adopt the resolution and waive second reading.

Equalization Director Josh Simmons presented the equalization report noting an increase in taxable value.

Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL APPRAISAL CONTRACT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the 3-year contract with CSZ for $22,500 per year. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the exception to the hiring freeze for an assistant prosecuting attorney.

Commissioner Pangle noted she would vote no because sick and out of town and did not have time to talk to people before making a decision to lift the hiring freeze.

Commissioner Czajkowski noted the position was a replacement for a position that had already had the hiring freeze lifted recently.

Commissioner Pangle noted she would not have approved it in the first place after some of the feedback she had received about the prosecutor's office.

Chairman Allen noted the undue burden on the employees to not fill the position.

Motion carried 4-1 upon a roll call vote with Commissioner Pangle dissenting.

ORV ORDINANCE

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve and adopt the ordinance and waive second reading.

Discussion included effective day once published and the number of people and township boards that helped draft the ordinance. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

Ordinance 23 was adopted.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

No appointments were made.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring thanked Mr. Simmons and his department; thanked Mr. Summey for thinking outside the box.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the budget amendments. Motion carried.

Financial Statement

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the Committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee reviewed the ABM report.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that minutes were available.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen expressed thanks for the public involvement.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Malone commented on the Animal Rescue Fund dinner.

Commissioner Balog thanked the road commission participation and Mr. Summey.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:22 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until May 7, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk | Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on May 7, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kenneth L. Malone
Kathy Pangle	Dennis Allen

Commissioner Balog was absent.

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the minutes for April 17, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Email from Mary Conklin-Craaybeek, Re: Resignation from Solid Waste Management Planning Committee.

Resolution from Cheboygan County, Re: Supporting HB 4227 (Michigan's Mining Future).

Resolution from Antrim County, Re: Michigan Prescription Drug Bill of 2003.

Letter from Michigan Public Service Commission, Re: Notice of public hearing to consider Indiana Michigan Power Company's application to reconcile it 2018 power supply cost recovery.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of March 20, 2019.

Minutes of the Animal Control Advisory Board meeting of March 13, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Joe Woodin, on Day Road in Flowerfield Township, commented on local roads being paved.

Board discussion included the possible sources of the match funding for the Road Commission if the township had not contributed.

Tim Carls, Florence Township, commented on the Road Commission and the ORV ordinance.

Rebecca Shank, Constantine Township, commented on a good citizen award and women's voting rights.

Gordon Evilsizor, Florence Township Supervisor, commented on public comments and roads.

FY 2020 COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the grant application for $143,255. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to grant the request for the exception to the hiring freeze for an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney.

Discussion included that a thorough review demonstrated the need for the position. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

ACCEPT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY'S ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to place the annual report on file. Motion carried 4-0 upon roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to appoint Lee Austermann with a term expiring June 30, 2019 and George Letts to the Commission on Aging with a term June 30, 2020. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring noted annual reports are available online.

Ms. Doehring also commented on the CGI Communications video completion, and the videos were available on the website.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the budget amendments. Motion carried.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Chairman Allen stated that the Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the Committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee reviewed the mechanical budget numbers.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen stated that minutes were available.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen noted he would assist Mr. Woodin with his questions.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Malone commented on the professionalism of the CGI videos.

Commissioner Pangle commented on fairground activities.

Commissioner Czajkowski thanked staff for the work done behind the scenes.

Commissioner Czajkowski congratulated Chairman Allen and Vicki Allen for being named Citizens of the Year.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:32 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until May 21, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk

Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on May 21, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the minutes for May 7, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Maner Costerisan, Re: Copy of audit for St. Joseph County 9-1-1 Service District.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of April 17, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Rebecca Shank of Constantine commented on Memorial Day.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Rebecca Burns, Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Health Department Health Officer and HSC Chair; Laura Brott, HSC Coordinator; and COA Director Tim Stoll, HSC Member noted recognition for Hometown Health Hero award to Ms. Brott. They presented the report and explained how the HSC carries out its collaborative mission.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to accept the annual report and place it on file. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – CORRECTIONS OFFICER

Ms. Doehring noted the position was from the resignation of a full-time corrections officer and that the position was critical to meet mandates for operating.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to grant the request for the exception to the hiring freeze for a corrections officer. Motion carried.

ABM BUILDING SOLUTIONS
RESOLUTION 7-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners ("Commissioners") of Saint Joseph County ("County"), has received the results of ABM Building Solutions Investment Grade Audit and is considering entering into a formal project agreement; and

WHEREAS, Legal Counsel for Saint Joseph County has begun reviewing the Project Contract and Energy Services Contract but has not formally approved them; and is directed to negotiate with ABM its recommended changes. A contract with ABM shall not be adopted by the Board of Commissioners until after it is approved by legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, the County is authorized under the Constitution and laws of the State of Michigan (the "State"), to enter into financing agreements (including lease obligations) to finance capital improvements for the governmental and miscellaneous functions of the County if so desired; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners find that it is in the best interests of the County to finance the installation of the Improvements upon approval of the project contract by entering into an Energy Services Agreement and a Tax-exempt municipal lease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY, as follows:

Section 1. The County Administrator, for and on behalf of the County, is hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things reasonably necessary to effect the negotiation, finalization, execution and delivery of the approved Project Contract and related financing agreements, and such other documents and instruments attached thereto or required thereby, and the performance of all other acts of whatever nature necessary to effect and carry out the authority conferred by this Resolution.

Section 2. This Resolution also includes the approval of any one time or ongoing measurement and verification services if required. The measurement and verification services are to be funded from project savings.

Section 3. The County Administrator will not issue a notice to proceed to ABM Building Solutions until financing is secured and the County Attorney has provided approval on the Project Contract and Energy Services Contract documents

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after its adoption.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

There were none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring reported the opening of sealed bids for two accessible launches for a project through a DNR grant. Discussion included that the match would be from the park budget.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the budget amendments. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

Financial Statement

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the financial statement for the period ending April 30. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee reviewed the mechanical budget numbers.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had not met.

Other Committees

Commissioner Malone commented on parks and recreation commission activities.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen had no further comments.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Malone commented on the availability of mental healthcare and cost prohibitive services even with services.

Commissioner Balog responded that the commission could adopt a resolution to support legislative changes.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:30 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until June 4, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on June 4, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for May 21, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Michigan Department of Treasury, Re: Equalization Report for 2019 approved by Tax Commission.

Resolution from Wexford County, Re: Oppose slashing federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Resolution from Benzie County, Re: Support of revising the Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003.

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Oppose reduction in federal funding for schools.

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Urge continued construction of new psychiatric hospital at Caro Center.

Minutes of the Animal Control Advisory Board meeting of April 17, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Rebecca Shank of Constantine commented on Three Rivers Water Festival.

APPROVE COUNTY MILLAGE RATE (L-4029)

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the L-4029 millage rate form. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

LANGLEY COVERED BRIDGE
RESOLUTION 8-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Langley Covered Bridge, located 4 miles north of Centreville, is the longest remaining wooden covered bridge in the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the bridge was constructed in 1887 and is named for Thomas W. Langley and family, pioneers who helped establish the Village of Centreville; and

WHEREAS, the Langley Covered Bridge is a historic landmark and one of the most photographed sites in St. Joseph County; and

WHEREAS, the St. Joseph County Road Commission is exploring three different options for the rehabilitation or replacement of the Langley Covered Bridge.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners feels strongly about preserving this historic landmark for future generations to enjoy. Therefore, the Board goes on record in support of proposed option two which is to fix the bridge the way it is in its current location and get approval from State Historic Preservation Office for the work.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this Resolution be sent to the St. Joseph County Road Commission.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon roll call vote.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring thanked the commissioners for their time for the strategic planning session.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the budget amendments as submitted. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Chairman Allen noted the committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Chairman Allen commented on the roads committee and noted all 16 townships had participated with matching funds for secondary roads at 50%.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen thanked County Administrator Doehring for organizing the strategic planning session.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on the importance of collaboration.

Commissioner Pangle commented on a ribbon cutting for Emily's Closet in Three Rivers.

Commissioner Malone thanked County Administrator Doehring for the strategic planning session.

Chairman Allen commented on the upcoming Spence Field dedication.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:17 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until June 18, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on June 18, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

Commissioner Balog asked that the energy agreements be removed. It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the minutes for June 4, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution from Gratiot County, Re: Veterans Services Grant Funding.

Resolution from Cheboygan County, Re: Supporting U.S. HB 530.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of May 15, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

There were no citizen comments.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING FY 2020-2022 MULTI-YEAR PLAN AND
FY 2020 ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND
RESOLUTION 9-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Branch-St. Joseph Area Agency on Aging (Region IIIC) has been designated as the area agency on aging to serve Branch and St. Joseph Counties since 1996 under the Federal Older Americans Act (Public Law 89-73, and subsequent amendments), and the State Older Michiganians Act (Public Act 180, and subsequent amendments); and

WHEREAS, the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency Board of Health has been designated and approved as the Policy Board for Region IIIC; and

WHEREAS, Region IIIC is required to develop a Multi-Year Area Implementation Plan for fiscal years 2020, 2021, and 2022 and an Annual Implementation Plan for fiscal year 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Region IIIC Policy Board has developed, reviewed and accepted the Plan after two input sessions and two public hearings; and

WHEREAS, the Region IIIC Policy Board has taken into consideration the views expressed at the public hearings for the final draft of the Multi-Year Area Implementation Plan and Annual Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Region IIIC Policy Board substantiates that this document meets the Michigan Aging & Adult Service Agency Approval Criteria.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners endorses the submission of this final planning document to the Michigan Commission on Services to the Aging for final review and approval.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog to accept the report and place it on file. Motion carried.

EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – DISTRICT COURT DEPUTY CLERK

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the exception for a district court deputy clerk. Motion carried.

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION AND DANIEL WARNAAR
RESOLUTION 10-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, SWMMBA and Daniel Warnaar designed and constructed a sustainable, seven-mile mountain bike course at Meyer Broadway County Park, which provides a public riding area in St. Joseph County for cyclists of all ages and skill levels; and

WHEREAS, SWMMBA provided funds for construction of Warnaar Trail and dedicated future funding for ongoing maintenance of the trail and trailhead amenities; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Warnaar tirelessly, volunteered hundreds of hours of his time creating a one-of-a-kind, professionally built trail that rivals any course in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, SWMMBA and Daniel Warnaar's efforts have created a regional draw for St. Joseph County that will be enjoyed by citizens and visitors of Meyer Broadway County Park.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners recognizes Daniel Warnaar and SWMMBA for great and generous contributions to the Parks and Recreation Commission for the citizens and visitors of St. Joseph County to use and enjoy for generations to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the proceedings of the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners this 18th day of June 2019 and be presented to Daniel Warnaar and SWMMBA during the Warnaar Trail ribbon cutting July 14th.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Discussion included the draw to the parks and the amount of work Mr. Warnaar contributed to the project. Motion carried.

FINANCING RESOLUTION FOR EQUIPMENT LEASE / PURCHASE AGREEMENT
RESOLUTION 11-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the of the County of St. Joseph (the "County") has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to acquire various energy conservation improvements to certain County facilities (the "Equipment") to be installed by ABM Building Solutions, LLC (the "Vendor"), as described in the "Request for Financing Proposals-St. Joseph County, Michigan Tax Exempt Lease Purchase Agreement Associated with a Performance Contract Project" administered by D.A. Davidson & Co., as Placement Agent, and issued by the County on May 2, 2019 (the "RFP"); and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFP, the County has received a proposal from Banc of America Public Capital Corp to finance the Equipment through a tax-exempt equipment lease/purchase agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to finance the acquisition and installation of the Equipment by entering into an Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") between the County, as lessee, and Bank of America, National Association (or one of its affiliates), as lessor (the "Lessor") pursuant to section 11c of the County Board of Commissioners Act, Act 156, Michigan Public Acts of 1851, as amended ("Act 156"); and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary for the County to enter into an Escrow and Account Control Agreement among Lessor, the County, and Bank of America, National Association, as Escrow Agent (the "Escrow Agreement") to set forth the terms and conditions for the disbursement of funds from an escrow account to pay for costs of acquisition and installation of the Equipment;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of County Commissioners to authorize the Authorized Officers (defined herein) to negotiate and finalize the terms of the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement pursuant to Act 156, and authorize County officials to execute certain other documentation and undertake necessary actions relative thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Authorization to Enter into Agreement. The Board of County Commissioners hereby authorizes the execution and delivery of the Agreement in a principal amount not to exceed Three Million Dollars ($3,000,000), for a term not to exceed twenty (20) years, at an interest rate not to exceed 2.8% per annum.

2. Selection of Lessor. The proposal of Banc of America Public Capital Corp is hereby determined to produce the highest overall economic benefit to the County.

3. Delegation of Authority; Delivery of Agreement. The Chair of the Board of County Commissioners and the County Administrator/Controller, or either one of them acting alone (each an "Authorized Officer"), are hereby authorized and directed to make all determinations required under Act 156 and as authorized representatives of the County for purposes of the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement until such time as the Board of County Commissioners shall designate any other or different authorized representatives for purposes of the Agreement or the Escrow Agreement. The form, terms and provisions of the Agreement are hereby approved in substantially the form presented at this meeting, with such insertions, omissions and changes as shall be approved by the Authorized Officer executing the same, subject to the parameters set forth in this resolution, the execution of such documents being conclusive evidence of such approval. The

Authorized Officers are each hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement and any related exhibits attached thereto and such additional documentation as shall be necessary to effectuate the closing of the Agreement.

4. Other Actions Authorized. Any Authorized Officer may take all action necessary or reasonably required by the parties to the Agreement to carry out, give effect to and consummate the transactions contemplated thereby (including the execution and delivery of a Final Acceptance Certificate, the Escrow Agreement, Disbursement Requests and any tax certificate and agreement, as contemplated in the Agreement) and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith, including, without limitation, the execution and delivery of any closing and other documents required to be delivered in connection with the Agreement.

5. Security; Agreement Not Debt. Payments under the Agreement shall be a current operating expense of the County subject to annual appropriations of funds by the Board of County Commissioners. During the term of the Agreement, the County shall be the vested owner of the Equipment and may grant a security interest in the Equipment to the Lessor. Upon the termination of the Agreement and the satisfaction of the obligations of the County, the Lessor shall release any such security interest in the Equipment. The Agreement shall not be subject to the Revised Municipal Finance Act, Act 34, Michigan Public Acts of 2001, as amended ("Act 34"), and shall not be a municipal security or a debt as those terms are defined in Act 34.

6. Tax Covenant. The County hereby covenants that, to the extent permitted by law, it shall take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exemption of the interest on the obligations under the Agreement from federal income taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including but not limited to, actions relating to the rebate of arbitrage earnings, if applicable, and the expenditure and investment of proceeds of the Agreement and moneys deemed to be proceeds.

7. Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligation. The County reasonably anticipates that the amount of qualified tax-exempt obligations that will be issued by the County and all subordinate entities during this calendar year shall not exceed $10,000,000. The County hereby designates the Agreement, in its total principal amount, as a qualified tax-exempt obligation for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Code.

8. Rescission. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

9. Resolution Subject to Michigan Law. The provisions of this resolution are subject to the laws of the State of Michigan.

10. Section Headings. The section headings in this resolution are furnished for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered to be a part of this resolution.

11. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this resolution.

12. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution is determined by the Board of County Commissioners to be immediately necessary for the preservation of the peace, health and safety of the County and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to adopt the resolution and waive second reading pending legal approval. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to reappoint Allen Balog, Charles Thompson, Lee Austermann, Deborah Davis, and James MacTavish to the Commission on Aging with terms expiring June 30, 2021. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring noted the annual report would be available on the website.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Financial Statement

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to accept the financial report and place it on file. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee had not met, but committee members had reviewed the resolution for financing the project.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Pangle commented on the Veteran’s Committee approval of a new therapy dog.

Commissioner Malone commented that the upkeep of parks grounds was done despite the weather and noted the upcoming anniversary of the parks system.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Chairman Allen noted the upcoming Relay for Life.

COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS

Commissioner Pangle commented on the Lincoln Day Dinner. She asked that commissioners visit the jail for a tour to see the operations.

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on the upcoming projects for energy savings, the draw that the parks provide, the Commission on Aging center with apartments in Three Rivers, and the roadwork being done.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:20 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until July 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk   Dennis Allen, Chairman

Special Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on June 26, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Administrator Teresa Doehring called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

There were no citizen comments.

AUTHORIZING EQUIPMENT LEASE / PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR BUILDING UPDATES
RESOLUTION 12-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 12-2019 rescinds and replaces Resolution No. 11-2019 adopted by the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners on June 18, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the of the County of St. Joseph (the "County") has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to acquire various energy conservation improvements to certain County facilities (the "Equipment") to be installed by ABM Building Solutions, LLC (the "Vendor"), as described in the "Request for Financing Proposals-St. Joseph County, Michigan Tax Exempt Lease Purchase Agreement Associated with a Performance Contract Project" administered by D.A. Davidson & Co., as Placement Agent, and issued by the County on May 2, 2019 (the "RFP"); and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFP, the County has received a proposal from Banc of America Public Capital Corp to finance the Equipment through a tax-exempt equipment lease/purchase agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to finance the acquisition and installation of the Equipment by entering into an Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") between the County, as lessee, and Bank of America, National Association (or one of its affiliates), as lessor (the "Lessor") pursuant to section 11c of the County Board of Commissioners Act, Act 156, Michigan Public Acts of 1851, as amended ("Act 156"); and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary for the County to enter into an Escrow and Account Control Agreement among Lessor, the County, and Bank of America, National Association, as Escrow Agent (the "Escrow Agreement") to set forth the terms and conditions for the disbursement of funds from an escrow account to pay for costs of acquisition and installation of the Equipment;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of County Commissioners to authorize the Authorized Officers (defined herein) to negotiate and finalize the terms of the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement pursuant to Act 156, and authorize County officials to execute certain other documentation and undertake necessary actions relative thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Authorization to Enter into Agreement. The Board of County Commissioners hereby authorizes the execution and delivery of the Agreement in a principal amount not to exceed Three Million Dollars ($3,000,000), for a term not to exceed twenty (20) years, at an interest rate not to exceed 4% per annum.

2. Selection of Lessor. The proposal of Banc of America Public Capital Corp is hereby determined to produce the highest overall economic benefit to the County.

3. Delegation of Authority; Delivery of Agreement. The Chair of the Board of County Commissioners and the County Administrator/Controller, or either one of them acting alone (each an "Authorized Officer"), are hereby authorized and directed to make all determinations required under Act 156 and as authorized representatives of the County for purposes of the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement until such time as the Board of County Commissioners shall designate any other or different authorized representatives for purposes of the Agreement or the Escrow Agreement. The form, terms and provisions of the Agreement are hereby approved in substantially the form presented at this meeting, with such insertions, omissions and changes as shall be approved by the Authorized Officer executing the same, subject to the parameters set forth in this resolution, the execution of such documents being conclusive evidence of such approval. The Authorized Officers are each hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement and any related exhibits attached thereto and such additional documentation as shall be necessary to effectuate the closing of the Agreement.

4. Other Actions Authorized. Any Authorized Officer may take all action necessary or reasonably required by the parties to the Agreement to carry out, give effect to and consummate the transactions contemplated thereby (including the execution and delivery of a Final Acceptance Certificate, the Escrow Agreement, Disbursement Requests and any tax certificate and agreement, as contemplated in the Agreement) and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith, including, without limitation, the execution and delivery of any closing and other documents required to be delivered in connection with the Agreement.

5. Security; Agreement Not Debt. Payments under the Agreement shall be a current operating expense of the County subject to annual appropriations of funds by the Board of County Commissioners. During the term of the Agreement,

the County shall be the vested owner of the Equipment and may grant a security interest in the Equipment to the Lessor. Upon the termination of the Agreement and the satisfaction of the obligations of the County, the Lessor shall release any such security interest in the Equipment. The Agreement shall not be subject to the Revised Municipal Finance Act, Act 34, Michigan Public Acts of 2001, as amended ("Act 34"), and shall not be a municipal security or a debt as those terms are defined in Act 34.

6. Tax Covenant. The County hereby covenants that, to the extent permitted by law, it shall take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exemption of the interest on the obligations under the Agreement from federal income taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including but not limited to, actions relating to the rebate of arbitrage earnings, if applicable, and the expenditure and investment of proceeds of the Agreement and moneys deemed to be proceeds.

7. Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligation. The County reasonably anticipates that the amount of qualified tax-exempt obligations that will be issued by the County and all subordinate entities during this calendar year shall not exceed $10,000,000. The County hereby designates the Agreement, in its total principal amount, as a qualified tax-exempt obligation for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Code.

8. Rescission. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

9. Resolution Subject to Michigan Law. The provisions of this resolution are subject to the laws of the State of Michigan.

10. Section Headings. The section headings in this resolution are furnished for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered to be a part of this resolution.

11. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this resolution.

12. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution is determined by the Board of County Commissioners to be immediately necessary for the preservation of the peace, health and safety of the County and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

AUTHORIZING SIGNATURE FOR BUILDING UPDATES
RESOLUTION 13-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners ("BOC") of Saint Joseph County ("County") received the results of ABM Building Solutions ("ABM") Investment Grade Audit and has been considering entering into a formal project agreement with ABM to install certain improvements in County-owned facilities ("Improvements"); and

WHEREAS, the County is authorized under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Michigan to enter into financing agreements (including lease obligations) to finance capital improvements for the governmental and miscellaneous functions of the County if so desired; and

WHEREAS, by its Resolution 7-2019 the BOC directed legal counsel for the County to review and negotiate appropriate changes to the Project Contract and Energy Services Contract proposed by ABM; and

WHEREAS, the BOC is advised that such negotiations are complete and that the ABM Building Solutions, LLC Bundled Energy Solutions Project Agreement and the ABM Building Solutions, LLC Annual Energy Unit Savings Agreement (collectively, "Agreements") are ready for execution; and

WHEREAS, the BOC finds that it is in the best interests of the County to enter into the Agreements in order to provide for the Improvements;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY, as follows:

Section 1. The County Administrator, for and on behalf of the County, is hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things reasonably necessary to effect the finalization, execution, and delivery of the Agreements and such other documents and instruments attached thereto or required thereby, and the performance of all other acts of whatever nature necessary to effect and carry out the authority conferred by this Resolution.

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after its adoption.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioners Malone and Pangle commented on upcoming community events.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:38 a.m., it was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until July 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Teresa Doehring, Deputy Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on July 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

Commissioner Balog asked that the audit presentation be removed. It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the minutes for June 18, 2019 and June 26, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Michigan Public Service Commission, Re: Notice of pre-hearing on July 23, 2019 for Indiana Michigan Power Company's request for approval to increase its rates for the sale of electric energy.

Email from Christel Schwartz, Re: Resignation from CMH Board.

Resolution from Menominee County, Re: Opposing any reduction of federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Resolution from Menominee County, Re: Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003.

Resolution from Saginaw County, Re: Supporting the Caro Center in Tuscola County.

Resolution from Wexford County, Re: Supporting the Caro Center in Tuscola County.

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health funding.

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Opposes proposed Medicaid Waiver amendment.

Minutes of the Animal Control Advisory Board meeting of May 22, 2019.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of June 19, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Vicki Allen thanked the commission for the partnership during Covered Bridge Days.

Rebecca Shank, 385 S. Washington Street of Constantine, commented on societal issues.

Rod Chupp, Sherman Township, thanked the commissioners for their service.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – ROAD PATROL

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the request for an exception to the hiring freeze from the Sheriff's Department. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

ACCEPT COUNTY CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to place the annual report on file. Motion carried.

MILITARY DUTY ABSENCES

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the board procedure for board meeting absences due to military duty. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments made.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring noted the annual report would be available on the website and that the annual audit presentation was rescheduled because of a scheduling issue.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

Financial Statement

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to accept the financial report and place it on file. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Malone commented on Waarner Trail grand opening and the park passports available to promote the parks system in the county.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen commented on the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Pangle commented on the ribbon cutting at the sports complex in Sturgis and congratulated Dennis and Vicki Allen as Citizens of the Year.

Commissioner Balog commented on the ribbon cutting at the Waarner Trail.

Commissioner Malone commented on current issues in the news.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:29 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until August 6, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk

Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on August 6, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy County Clerk Jill Ross called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Dennis Allen

Commissioner Pangle was absent.

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator and Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

Commissioner Balog asked that the budget deficit resolution be removed from the agenda. It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the minutes for July 16, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Thank You Card from Vicki Allen, Re: Thank you from Covered Bridge Days Committee for use of Courthouse lawn for the festival.

Resolution from Hillsdale County, Re: Opposed to the Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report.

Resolution from Livingston County, Re: Opposed to legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots.

Minutes of the Animal Control Advisory Board meeting of June 19, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Rebecca Shank of Constantine presented an original 1934 county ballot.

2018 ANNUAL AUDIT

Joe Verlin from Gabridge and Company reviewed the audit document and confirmed the merger between Gabridge and Company and Norman and Paulsen.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to accept the audit and place it on file. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to accept the report and place it on file. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMISSION ON AGING RENTAL LEASES

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to authorize the COA director and COA finance clerk to sign the lease documents. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – CORRECTIONS OFFICER

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the hiring of a corrections officer. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – DEPUTY DISTRICT COURT CLERK

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the hiring of a deputy district court clerk. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – JDT SUPERVISOR

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Balog to approve the hiring of a JDT supervisor. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

STRATEGIC PLAN

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adopt the strategic plan for fiscal years 2019-2024. Motion carried 4-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments made.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring thanked Ms. Steinman for her assistance throughout the audit process.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee had met and would review the renovation budget its next meetng.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen had nothing further.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Balog and Malone commented on the audit.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:39 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until August 20, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Jill Ross, Deputy County Clerk Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on August 20, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy County Clerk Jill Ross called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog — Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone — Kathy Pangle
Dennis Allen

Also present: Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog that the minutes for August 14, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution from Charlevoix County, Re: Opposing reduction of federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Resolution from Charlevoix County, Re: Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of July 17, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Eva Beeker, St Joseph County 4-H Program Coordinator, 63067 Engle Rd, Constantine, presented information regarding the St. Joseph County Fair and invited the commissioners to attend.

Tom Hogan, ABM Building Solutions, presented an update on building renovations including Covered Bridge Health Care and JDT facilities.

SECONDARY ROAD PATROL GRANT APPLICATION

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve and submit the secondary road patrol grant. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

AMENDED BYLAWS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the amended bylaws for the Workforce Development Board and place it on file. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR

Prosecutor John McDonough presented a request for an exception to the hiring freeze and responded to questions regarding employee turnover within his office.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the hiring of an assistant prosecutor to fill a vacant position. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – FAMILY DIVISOIN CASEWORKER

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the hiring of a family division caseworker to fill a vacant position. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to reappoint John Smits, Glenn Nissley, Frank Kalasky, Carol Higgins, Mark Ripplinger and to appoint Doris Ripplinger to the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee with terms expiring September 1, 2021. Motion Carried.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Finance Report

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the finance statement ending July 31, 2019 and place it on file. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had met, and the renovation project was discussed. The project was moving forward and expected to be completed within a timely manner and within budget.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Chairman Allen noted the upcoming Animal Control Advisory Board meeting and Conservation District Board meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen noted the upcoming ribbon cutting ceremony for the Three Rivers Enrichment Center.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commission Malone stated that he had the pleasure to participate in the United Way Roof Sit event. Proceeds helped fund the St. Joseph County Victim Services and St. Joseph County Dive and Rescue Team. The event brought a great response from the community.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:30 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until September 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Jill Ross, Deputy County Clerk   Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on September 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Kenneth L. Malone
Daniel R. Czajkowski	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the minutes for August 20, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Copy of Letter to Representative Miller from Tim Carls, Re Questions on County Audit.

Letter from Michigan Public Service Commission, Re Notice of Public Hearing on September 12 for Indiana Michigan Power Company's Renewable Entergy Plan.

Resolution from Alger County supporting the Caro Center in Tuscola County.

Resolution from Wexford County opposing legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots.

Resolution from Marquette County opposing legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots.

Resolution from Eaton County requesting a waiver of health and rehabilitation services Medicaid audit takeback.

Resolution from Cheboygan County supporting Enbridge's Line 5 Tunnel.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

John Lindsey from the St. Joseph County Road Commission provided an update on road projects. Discussion included a strike affecting construction projects.

Rebecca Shank of 385 S. Washington, Constantine thanked Commissioner Czajkowski.

COMMUNITY HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to accept the annual report and place it on file. Motion carried.

CENTRAL DISPATCH RADIO AGREEMENTS
RESOLUTION 15-2019

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

DEFICIT ELIMINATION PLAN
RESOLUTION 14-2019

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the resolution and waive second reading. Discussion included that the purpose was to correct a bookkeeping error rather than to eliminate a deficit. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

EXCEPTION TO HIRING FREEZE – FAMILY DIVISION CASEWORKER

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the hiring of a family division caseworker to fill a vacant position. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring had nothing further to report.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Chairman Allen noted the committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Pangle commented on upcoming plans for the Southwest Michigan Planning Council.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen asked about Wade Road. Mr. Lindsey noted engineering plans had been sent in.

Commissioner Pangle asked about a roundabout. Mr. Lindsey noted public meetings and plans to proceed.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Balog noted the upcoming COA open house and ribbon cutting.

Commissioner Pangle noted the upcoming Animal Advisory Board event.

Commissioner Czajkowski thanked Ms. Shank for her comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:24 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until September 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk

Dennis Allen, Chairman

Annual Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on September 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy County Clerk Jill Ross called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for September 3, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Michigan Public Service Commission, Re: Notice of public hearings on September 19 and October 2 for Indiana Michigan Power Company's Integrated Resource Plan and Energy Waste Reduction Plan.

Resolution from Iosco County, Re: Opposed to the Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report.

Resolution from Antrim County, Re: Opposed to the Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report.

Resolutions from Baraga County, Re: Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report; Oppose legislation to prevent commissioner candidates from disclosing party affiliation on ballots; and Support of Enbridge's Line 5 tunnel.

Minutes of the Community Action Board meeting of June 24, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

There were no citizen comments.

ABM PROJECT UPDATE

Ms. Doehring, on behalf of ABM Building Solutions, presented a project update on building renovations.

FY 2020 CHILD CARE FUND BUDGET

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to accept the FY 2020 Child Care Fund Budget and place it on file. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT

Deputy County Clerk Ross announced Randall R. Chupp was appointed and Suzette Kingman-Lowery was reappointed to the Board of Canvassers with terms expiring November 1, 2023.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to appoint Robert Horton to the Board of Public Works to fill a vacancy with a term ending January 1, 2021. Motion Carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring stated the Three Rivers Enrichment Center is now 100% reserved. She thanked Tim Stoll for his hard work and dedication.

Ms. Doehring also thanked MSU Extension staff for their work with the 4-H program and St. Joseph County Fair.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Finance Report

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the August 2019 finance report and place it on file. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Malone stated that Parks and Recreation board had met. Receipts are still up for the parks and the registration boxes at the parks were being used.

Commissioner Czajkowski commented that the Covered Bridge Farm has been booked and the bicycle path is great.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen stated that he hopes to see everyone at the fair. We are lucky to have such a great county fair. The weather is supposed to be nice, so please take time and enjoy it.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Malone stated that the United Way auction at the fair was available online.

Commissioner Balog commented on the enrichment center and the compassion expressed by COA Director Tim Stoll, throughout the project. He also stated that with help from Stoney Summey, a few veterans will be residing at the center.

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on the road and bridge work being performed on Constantine Road.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:20 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until October 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Jill Ross, Deputy County Clerk	Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on October 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for September 17, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Notice from Jeff Wenzel, Drain Commissioner, Re: Wildcat Drain.

Resolution from Lake County, Re: Opposed to Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report of April 8, 2019.

Resolutions from Menominee and Mackinac County, Re: Support of Enbridge's Line 5 tunnel.

Resolution from Arenac County, Re: Opposing legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots.

Minutes of the Community Action Board meeting of August 26, 2019.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of July 17 and August 21, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Rebecca Shank of 385 S. Washington in Constantine read a newspaper article.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2019 GRANT AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the 2019 grant agreement. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2020 WORK AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the 2020 work agreement. Motion carried.

CHANGE ORDER FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH MOTOROLA PROJECT

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the change order at a cost of $82,188 to the County. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

ENHANCED RETIREMENT INCENTIVE

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the letters of understanding with AFSCME General, Probate, Family, and Circuit divisions and the District Court Association. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

LAKE TEMPLENE
RESOLUTION 16-2019

Whereas, Part 307 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, MCL 324.30701, *et seq* ("Part 307") outlines a process to maintain and repair lake level improvements;

Whereas, if an inspection of a lake level improvement discloses the necessity for maintenance or a repair that requires and annual expenditure of over $10,000, a board of county commissioners must authorize the repair and/or maintenance by resolution, MCL 324.30722(4);

Whereas, Lake Templene is an inland lake located in Sherman and Nottawa Townships, St. Joseph County, Michigan;

Whereas, an inspection of Lake Templene's lake level improvements disclosed the necessity for repairs and maintenance that requires an annual expenditure of overs $10,000; and

Whereas, the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner, as the delegated authority responsible for inspecting Lake Templene's lake level improvements, recommends that the County Board of Commissioners passes a resolution authorizing the Drain Commissioner to spend more than $10,000 to maintain and repair the lake level improvements on Lake Templene.

Now, therefore be it resolved, pursuant to Section 30722(4) of Part 307, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Drain Commissioner to spend more than $10,000 to perform repairs and maintenance on Lake Templene's lake level improvements by imposing such costs on the applicable special assessment district.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT

There were none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring had nothing further to report.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the committee had met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Pangle provided an update for the housing taskforce as part of the prosperity council.

Chairman Allen commented on the upcoming roads committee meeting.

Commissioner Pangle noted the need for CMH board applications.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen commented on the EEE virus in the area.

Commissioner Pangle noted the aerial spraying.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

There were no further comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:26 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until October 15, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk

Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on October 15, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog — Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone — Kathy Pangle
Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the minutes for October 1, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Elizabeth Campbell, DAR, Re: Work at Old Centreville Cemetery.

Resolution from Alger County, Re: Opposing legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of August 21 and September 18, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

SERVICE AWARDS

Service awards were presented for:

10 Years:
Jeff Wenzel, Drain Commissioner
John McDonough, Prosecutor
Jason Bingaman, Sheriff Operations Administrator
Pete Vandenbrink, FOC Enforcement Officer
Jeff Bingaman, Road Patrol Deputy
Mark Books, District Court Magistrate
Gina Wagner, District Court Probation Officer
Kristen Carpenter, Central Dispatch Supervisor

15 Years:
Mike Haydon, Telecommunicator
Erin Lamb, Equalization Technician
Julie Mitchell, Juvenile Register
Tammy Miller, Court Liaison Secretary
Lisa Youga, FOC Enforcement Clerk
Jeanette Cage, In-Home Services Assistant
Tara Lafler, Custodian
Kathy Humphreys, Chief Deputy Treasurer
Silvia Arums, Home Care Aide
Dustin Bainbridge, Information Technology Director

20 Years:
Tonya Barrington, Extension Program Aide
Don Heath, Corrections Sergeant
Mike McCoy, Road Patrol Deputy
Dick Metty, Juvenile Detention Specialist and Reserve

25 Years:
Jim Jacobs, Family Division Caseworker
Kole Mostrom, Maintenance Technician
Mark Pratt, Custodian

35 Years:
Andi Guy, FOC Caseworker

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Rebecca Shank of 385 S. Washington in Constantine commented on the Silliman House.

APPORTIONMENT REPORT AND RESOLUTION 17-2019

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to approve the apportionment report and place it on file. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, MCL 211.37 as amended, requires the County Board of Commissioners at their October session, to apportion the amount of property taxes to be raised by the various taxing jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the attached Apportionment Report contains a summary of the requests for millages to be levied by the various taxing jurisdictions and the County of St. Joseph; and

WHEREAS, MCL 207.12, as amended, requires the Director of the County Tax Equalization Department to make and submit to the Department of Treasury, State Tax Commission, a detailed report of such actions by the County Board on a form prescribed by the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners approves the attached summary of millage requests by the various taxing jurisdictions and further authorizes the St. Joseph County Equalization Director to certify such forms and submit them as required by law to the appropriate departments.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

JURY CARD PROGRAM – AGREEMENT WITH RAPID FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the agreement with Rapid Financial Solutions. Motion carried.

SET DATE FOR BUDGET WORK SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to set the budget work session for 9 a.m. after Executive Committee on October 30, 2019. Motion carried.

HONORING JAMES WETHERBEE
RESOLUTION 18-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Jim knew no strangers with a career in education and a knack for remembering names; and

WHEREAS, Jim has spent decades serving the community as a teacher, principal, Republican party member and chair, and Board of Canvassers member with a reputation for cheering anyone having a rough day; and

WHEREAS, Jim is a key member of the Centreville Lions Club and has served as president of the group; and

WHEREAS, Jim has served the residents of St. Joseph County by attending numerous trainings with the Bureau of Elections and by upholding the integrity and security of multiple State, County, and Local elections from 1995 to 2003 and 2005 to 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners and St. Joseph County Clerk recognize and express grateful appreciation to James Wetherbee for his dedication to the entire community, quick wit, fun stories, and devoted public service and congratulates him on his retirement from the St. Joseph County Board of Canvassers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the proceedings of the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners and be presented to James Wetherbee with sincere gratitude and appreciation.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT

There were none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring had nothing further to report.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Financial Statement

There was nothing to report at the time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted the completion of an RFP for a construction manager.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Chairman Allen commented on the Roads Committee.

Commissioner Malone commented on a successful year for the Parks & Recreation Commission.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen thanked Mr. Wetherbee for his service.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on animal control, conservation efforts, and roads.

Commissioner Malone commented on the governor's veto budget cuts affecting our local governments and hurting our communities.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:45 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until November 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on November 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for October 15, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health, Re: Attendance of Behavioral Health Board.

Resolution from Bay County, Re: Oppose legislation to prevent County Commissioner candidates from disclosing party affiliation on ballots.

Resolutions from Alger County, Re: Opposed to Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report, and Supports Bill to Create a Tourism Reinvestment Excise Tax.

Resolution from Otsego County, Re: In support of Line 5 Tunnel.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Sheriff Brad Balk announced his retirement.

Rebecca Shank of 385 S. Washington in Constantine commented on Veteran's Day.

Tom Hogan from ABM provided an update for the building renovation project.

AGRICULTURAL UPDATE

Eric Anderson, Extension Educator, provided an update for the County's agricultural environment and economy.

MERS HEALTH CARE SAVINGS PROGRAM AGREEMENT
RESOLUTION 19-2019

Commissioner Malone presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County ("Employer") is a participating municipality with the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan ("MERS") and has adopted one or more retirement, insurance, investment or other post-employment benefit products administered by MERS;

WHEREAS, MERS requires signatures of an authorized representative of the Employer to execute contracts with MERS, the entry of which is authorized by the governing body and permitted under the applicable MERS Plan Document(s);

WHEREAS, the Employer wishes to designate certain job position(s), the holder(s) of which may sign MERS' contracts relating to the adoption, amendment and termination of MERS' products, and defined benefit service credit purchase approvals on behalf of Employer to implement decisions and actions of the governing body;

WHEREAS, this Resolution is not intended to apply to MERS forms or any other MERS document except as specifically mentioned herein,

Therefore, the Governing Body resolves:

The holders of the following job position(s) are hereby Authorized Officials that can sign: (1) MERS Adoption Agreements, Resolutions, Participation Agreements, Administrative Services Agreements, Withdrawal Agreements and any other contracts between MERS and the Employer with respect to Employer's participation in any MERS-administered product and any amendments and addendums thereto, and (2) MERS Defined Benefit service credit purchase approvals:

1. County Administrator
2. County Clerk

This Resolution may be revoked in writing or amended by the Governing Body at any time, provided that it will not be effective until such writing or amended Resolution is received by MERS. The Governing Body agrees that MERS may rely upon this Resolution as conferring signing authority upon the holders of the above job position(s) to bind Employer with respect to MERS.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adopt the resolution and waive second reading. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

SET DATE FOR BUDGET WORK SESSION

By consent, the 2nd budget work session was set for 8:30 a.m. after Executive Committee on November 13, 2019.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to appoint Carol Naccarato with a term expiring March 31, 2021 and Darci Skrzyniarz with a term expiring March 31, 2022 to the Community Mental Health board. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring thanked staff for participation with the pumpkin decorating and thanked ABM for the cider and donuts donation.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on the Animal Control Advisory Board and Roads Committee.

Commissioner Pangle commented on the Veterans' Board.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen had nothing further to report.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adjourn to closed session to discuss a written attorney opinion regarding pending opioid litigation. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

The Commission adjourned to closed session at 5:48 p.m.

The Commission reconvened to open session at 5:56 p.m.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

There were no further comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:56 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until November 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk

Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on November 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for November 5, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Department of Health and Human Services, Re: State ward chargeback rates for calendar year 2020.

Letter from Village of Colon, Re: Invitation to attend DDA informational meeting on December 11, 2019.

Letter from Michigan Public Service Commission, Re: Notice of public hearing on December 11 to consider Indiana Michigan Power Company's Power Supply Cost Recovery Plan.

Resolution from Allegan County, Re: Support of legislation to adopt 4-year terms for County Commissioners.

Resolution from Otsego County, Re: Support of legislation to adopt 4-year terms for County Commissioners.

Minutes of the Commission on Aging Advisory Board meeting of September 18 and October 16, 2019.

Minutes of Community Action Board meeting of September 23, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Tom Hogan from ABM provided an update for the building renovation project.

HIRING FREEZE EXCEPTION – DISTRICT COURT PROBATION OFFICER

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the hiring freeze exception. Motion carried.

HIRING FREEZE EXCEPTION – ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the hiring freeze exception. Motion carried.

FY2020 DRUG TREATMENT COURT GRANT AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the grant agreement. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

FY2020 SWIFT AND SURE SANCTIONS GRANT AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the grant agreement. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

FY2020 SOBRIETY COURT GRANT AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the grant agreement. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

FY2020 COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the grant agreement. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

2020 INDIGENT DEFENSE AGREEMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the agreement. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT

There were no appointments.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring noted the United Way basketball game.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the budget amendments as presented.

Financial Statement

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog to approve the financial statement as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Chairman Allen noted that the committee had met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Clerk Oswald noted the Board of Canvassers meeting to conduct a recount of the Mendon Township November Election. The results were exact from the election night reporting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen had nothing further to report.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

There were no further comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:18 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Balog that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until December 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on December 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

Deputy Clerk Jill Ross called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog
Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone
Kathy Pangle
Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Balog to add the resolution to the agenda to adopt the 2020-2021 St. Joseph County Budget.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Balog that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Pangle that the minutes for November 19, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Village of Centreville, Re: Notice of DDA informational meeting on December 5, 2019.

Letter from City of Sturgis, Re: Notice of public hearing on November 25, 2019 for consideration of a Commercial Rehabilitation District for 203 and 209 John Street.

Letter from Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health, Re: 2019 attendance record for Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health Board.

Resolution from Manistee County, Re: Requesting Coast of Great Lakes be declared disaster area.

Minutes of Community Action Board meeting of October 28, 2019.

It was moved by Commissioner Czajkowski and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

Jack Coleman of Park Township presented his candidacy for State Representative in the August 2020 election.

Carolyn Grace, St Joseph County Conservation Director, thanked commissioners for approval of the county budget.

Commissioner Czajkowski congratulated Ms. Grace for being recognized as Administrator of the Year by the Conservation District Employees of Michigan.

Rebecca Shank of 385 S. Washington in Constantine congratulated Carolyn Grace and voiced support for reappointment of Eric Shaffer to the Road Commission.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON 2020-2021 BUDGET

Tim Carls of Florence Township commented on the budget.

2020-2021 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT
RESOLUTION 20-2019

Whereas, Public Act 621 of 1978, otherwise known as the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, provides a system of unified procedures for the preparation and execution of budgets for units of local government;

Whereas, the County Administrator/Controller has provided the recommended 2020 & 2021 budget, as well as supporting documentation as required by Public Act 621;

Whereas, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners to provide for the solvency of County Fiscal Operations by adopting a General Appropriations Act as required by law;

Whereas, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners to articulate policy relative to monitoring, maintenance accounting and implementation of the General Appropriations Act as required by law;

Whereas, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners to continue its allocation for substance abuse services of 50% of the convention facility/liquor tax revenue;

Whereas, the 2020 & 2021 budgets are based on the intent of the Board of Commissioners to levy property tax millages as follows: County Operating 4.5482, 911 .75, Commission on Aging .75, Transportation .33, County Roads 1.0, and Park & Recreation .25;

Whereas, the 2019 Budget has been apportioned to the various County departments in the categories of Total Personnel Services, Total Operating Expenditures, and Total Capital Expenditures;

Whereas, the following County Budget Policy shall apply to the management of these categories:

Total Personnel Services (Wages and Fringe Benefits): Budgeted expenditures are predetermined by the Board of Commissioners. Permission of the Board of Commissioners is required for transfers to, from, or between line items within this category.

Total Operating Expenditures: Permission of the Board of Commissioners is required for transfers to or from line items within this category if the transfer is to or from a different category. Budgeted expenditures and transfers between line items within this category are at the discretion of management in accordance with the County Purchasing Policy. Commissioners have determined a list of approved dues that will be paid for 2020. Only those dues approved shall paid from County funds.

Total Capital Expenditures: Budgeted expenditures to the extent of the Board approved capital listing contained in the adopted 2020 & 2021 budget documents are at the discretion of management in accordance with the County Purchasing Policy. Permission of the Board of Commissioner is required to purchase items not previously approved if the request exceeds $5,000. Non-budgeted capital requests under $5,000 shall be presented to the County Administrator/Controller, or his designee, in accordance with the County Purchasing Policy. Transfers between line items within this category shall be presented to the County Administrator/Controller, or his designee, for consideration.

Now therefore be it resolved, the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the General Appropriations Act including such documents as the General Fund revenues and expenditures, special revenue budgets, elected officials' salary schedule, non-contract pay ranges, part-time wage schedule, capital budget, and Planning Enabling Act Capital Improvements Program for its financial operations.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to adopt the resolution for the 2020-2021 Budget. Motion carried 3-2 upon a roll call vote with Commissioners Balog and Malone dissenting.

2019 APPORTIONMENT REPORT AMENDMENT AND RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 21-2019

WHEREAS, MCL 211.37 as amended, requires the County Board of Commissioners at their October session, to apportion the amount of property taxes to be raised by the various taxing jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners approved the tax spread containing the summary of requests for millages to be levied via resolution No. 17-2019 on October 15, 2019; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the tax spread is required which reflects a voted millage increase on November 5, 2019 for St. Joseph County Intermediate School District: Area Career and Technical Education Proposal 1.0000 Mill; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the tax spread is also required which reflects a voted millage increase on November 5, 2019 for Nottawa Township: Fire and Emergency Services Operating Millage Proposal 0.7500 Mill; and

WHEREAS, MCL 207.12, as amended, requires the Director of the County Tax Equalization Department to make and submit to the Department of Treasury, State Tax Commission, a detailed report of such actions by the County Board on a form prescribed by the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners approves the attached amended summary of millage requests by the various taxing jurisdictions and further authorizes the Director of the St. Joseph County Tax Equalization Department to make, sign, and submit such forms as are required by law to the appropriate departments.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to adopt the resolution. Motion carried 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

CONSIDERATION OF COURTS BUILDING RENOVATION BIDS

Ms. Doehring commented on interviews with three construction management service firms for consideration for the courts building renovation. Frederick Construction was outstanding in the interview process and bond proposal.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone for Teresa Doehring to move forward in the process of the courts building renovation with Frederick Construction. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to reappoint Eric Shafer to the Road Commission Board for another six-year term ending December 31, 2025. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to reappoint David Miars to the Board of Public Works for another three-year term ending in January 1, 2022. Motion Carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring thanked Jill Ross for filling in for the County Clerk, Lindsay Oswald, as she was away at a Clerk Conference. She thanked Frederick Construction for their time and consideration for the court building renovation. Ms. Doehring expressed appreciation for the efforts of Ms. Steinman, Department Heads, and Commissioners on the budget.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Budget Amendments

There were none.

Bills

There were none.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Allen noted the committee had met.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Malone stated that Parks and Recreation board will meet tomorrow night.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen had nothing further to report.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioners thanked staff involved in the budget process.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:58 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until December 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Jill Ross, Deputy Clerk

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Dennis Allen, Chairman

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on December 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Czajkowski.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

County Clerk Lindsay Oswald called the roll, and the following Commissioners were present:

Allen Balog	Daniel R. Czajkowski
Kenneth L. Malone	Kathy Pangle
	Dennis Allen

Also present: Teresa Doehring, County Administrator; Angie Steinman, Finance Director.

AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the minutes for December 3, 2019 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution from Eaton County, Re: Encourage changes to fee-for-service model for local substance abuse service.

Christmas card from Michigan Association of Counties.

. It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the communications be placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENT

There were no public comments.

FIRST BOARD MEETING DATE

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to set the date for January 7, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

HIRING FREEZE EXCEPTION – EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the hiring freeze exception. Motion carried.

HIRING FREEZE EXCEPTION – SHERIFF'S OFFICE CLERK/TYPIST

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the hiring freeze exception. Motion carried.

HIRING FREEZE EXCEPTION – ROAD PATROL

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Balog to approve the hiring freeze exception. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to reappoint Kristina Eaton and Ruth Perry to the Animal Control Advisory Board with terms ending December 31, 2022. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to reappoint Warren Atkins, Douglas Pagels, and Mark Ripplinger to the Planning Commission with terms ending January 1, 2023. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Czajkowski to reappoint Jeff Knautz and Steve Houts to the Parks and Recreation Commission with terms ending January 1, 2023. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Malone Commissioner to reappoint Betty Taylor to the Department of Health and Human Services board with a term ending October 31, 2022. Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner to Pangle reappoint Matt Scheske to the Investment Advisory Board with a term ending December 31, 2022. Motion carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Doehring reported on Celebration Committee door decorating.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Ms. Steinman presented the following reports:

Bills

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the November bills for payment as presented.

Budget Amendments

There were no budget amendments.

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to authorize the Finance Director, after review by the County Administrator, to make any budget amendments necessary after the date of this meeting to ensure that the County's budget complies with State requirements. Motion carried.

Financial Statement

It was moved by Commissioner Malone and seconded by Commissioner Pangle to approve the November financial statement as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Balog stated that the committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Malone stated that the committee had not met.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Malone noted a recent meeting.

Executive/Committee of the Whole

Chairman Allen noted the committee had met and minutes were available.

Other Committees

Commissioner Malone commented on a Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on a boat launch park project.

Commissioner Czajkowski commented on the Agricultural Preservation Board.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Allen noted it was the last meeting for the year.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adjourn to closed session to discuss a written legal opinion. Motion passed 5-0 upon a roll call vote.

The Commission adjourned to closed session at 5:15 p.m.

The Commission reconvened to open session at 5:40 p.m.

Chairman Allen noted the Commission had met in closed session to discuss a written legal opinion and no decisions were made.

Commissioner Malone commented on remembering people having a difficult time during the holidays.

Commissioner Czajkowski noted progress over the past year.

Commissioner Pangle commented on Bob Kelly, a former employee.

Commissioner Balog commented on the past year of progress.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:42 p.m., it was moved by Commissioner Pangle and seconded by Commissioner Malone that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until January 7, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Lindsay Oswald, County Clerk   Dennis Allen, Chairman