

December 20, 2023

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

BOARD-IN PERSON WITH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AVAILABLE THROUGH ZOOM

Commissioners Present in person: Dutcher, Finley, Loeffler, and O'Farrell.

Absent: Huebel.

Vacant: None.

Also Present: Nancy Huebel, County Clerk/Assistant Controller; Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director; Kathleen Murphy, Board Secretary/Housing Director; Mike Eller, Director of Emergency Services; Raymond Bruning II, EMS Operations Manager; Carla Grezeszak, Interim Deputy Court Administrator/FOC Supervisor; Tim Hissong, Press;

Meeting called to order after a 5-minute recess following the Full Board meeting.

New Business:

Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director – Pay High Speed Internet Advisory Committee Volunteers Mileage for Validating Mapping for the BEAD Grant

The consultant estimates that there are around 3,000 addresses that will need to be validated. The volunteers will have to go to each address to validate if the home is occupied or not and has internet service or not. The volunteers will have to follow the Iosco County Travel Policy. Mileage will follow the IRS Mileage Rate and will be paid for from the American Rescue Plan Funds. Finley motions to take this to the full board for consideration and Dutcher seconds. All ayes; motion carried.

Old Business:

None.

County Controller's Report: Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director

- The jail units that the board approved last meeting are here. Matt Snider is hoping to have them installed before his vacation.
- There is one union negotiation left. Hopefully their contract will be ready by the January 3rd meeting.
- The Dam Prosperity Committee will meet in the Board of Commissioners meeting room on February 8, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. It will

be an organizational meeting. The main purpose of the committee is to communicate with Consumers Energy.

Any Other Matters:

None.

Public Comments:

None.

Claims and Accounts: Bills reviewed and approved by Loeffler, O'Farrell, and Dutcher in the amount of \$368,820.05.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully:

**Kathleen Murphy
Board Secretary/Housing Director**

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR January 3, 2024