

PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2022
9:00 A.M.**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Brian Lautzenheiser, Jim Mott, Terrance Augustine, Joseph Brehler, Blake Mulder, Barbara Rogers & Jane Whitacre

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioners Jeremy Whittum and Brian Droscha; Troy Stowell, Gene Bryan, Morgan Feldpausch, Claudine Williams and John Fuentes

The January 12, 2022 regular meeting of the Public Works and Planning Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Lautzenheiser.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the agenda, as presented. Commissioner Mott seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2021 meeting, as presented. Commissioner Whitacre seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Troy Stowell, Parks & Recreation Director, was present to provide the Department's update. It was reported that the construction of a 2.5 mile trail at Crandall Park is scheduled to be constructed in spring 2022. It was also reported that two potential Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund grant applications are under development for future consideration for submission, one for a fishing pier at Crandall Park and a second for an observation deck at Lincoln Brick Park.

It was also reported that a 10-year lease agreement with the Charlotte Optimist Club has been prepared and is being recommended, to replace the previous expired lease.

Commissioner Augustine moved to recommend approval of the lease agreement with the Charlotte Optimist Club, to the Board of Commissioners, as presented. Commissioner Whitacre seconded. Discussion held. Motion carried unanimously.

It was also reported that a utility right-of-way easement to provide for the installation of electrical service at Crandall Park for an emergency alert system has been prepared and is being recommended for approval.

Commissioner Mulder moved to recommend approval of the right-of-way easement to the Board of Commissioners, as presented. Commissioner Whitacre seconded. Discussion held. Motion carried unanimously.

Gene Bryan, Construction Code Enforcement Director, was present to provide the Department's monthly report. The monthly housing starts, permit and inspection activity reports were reviewed.

There was discussion regarding staffing adjustments that may be necessary to provide adequate trade coverage based on Mr. Bryan's pending retirement in February 2022.

Morgan Feldpausch, Resource Recovery Coordinator, was present to provide the monthly update for the Designated Implementing Agency. Current licensing and surcharge collections were reviewed. It was reported that it is recommended the County not pursue additional scrap tire recycling grant funding for 2022, due to the availability of carryover funding available in the County's 2021 grant. Discussion held.

It was also reported that the County's current household hazardous waste collection vendor has requested a pricing adjustment for its current contract in effect through December 31, 2022. After evaluating current alternatives, current scheduled events and collection data it is recommended the County approve the vendor's request to ensure the 2022 events can be held as currently planned.

Commissioner Brehler moved to recommend approval of the household hazardous waste vendor contract amendment to the Board of Commissioners, as recommended. Commissioner Augustine seconded. There was discussion regarding evaluating the County's collection model, event scheduling and current surcharge rates in response to and prevent this situation in the future. Motion carried unanimously.

Claudine Williams, Community Development Director, was present to provide the Department's monthly report. It was reported that the County will conduct a public hearing to close-out the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) CARES Act grant on January 19, 2022.

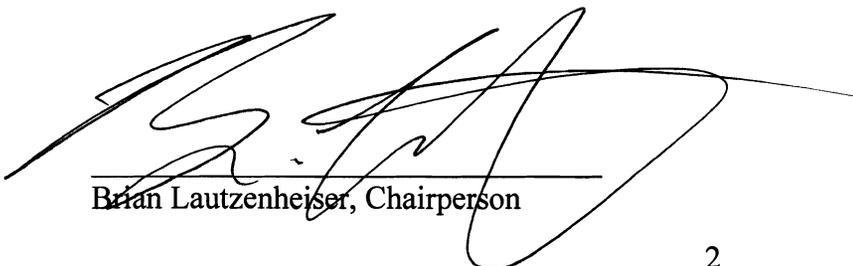
A resolution to approve the continuation of the Memorandum of Understanding for the Greater Lansing Regional Committee for Stormwater Management through April 30, 2027 was presented and discussed. The committee was formed to assist communities to comply with requirements of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4 permits) on a regional basis.

Commissioner Mulder moved to recommend approval of the GLRC Memorandum of Understanding to the Board of Commissioners, as presented. Commissioner Rogers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved to recommend the appointment of Denise Tanner to a three-year term expiring December 31, 2024 as a public representative on the Construction Code Board of Appeals. Commissioner Mott seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Lautzenheiser adjourned the meeting at 9:53 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Public Works and Planning Committee will be held at 9:00am on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 in the Board of Commissioners Room of the Courthouse located at 1045 Independence Blvd, Charlotte MI 48813.



Brian Lautzenheiser, Chairperson