

MINUTES
JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD MEETING
September 18, 2012
7:00 p.m.
County Commission Chambers

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – by Chairman Steve Shotwell
2. **INVOCATION** – by Michael Way and a Moment of Silence for Commissioner Patricia Smith
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – by Grass Lake Girl Scouts; Jessica Jonaitis – Troop 228, Anna Schwerin – Troop 157, and Becki Belloli – Troop 157
4. **ROLL CALL** – County Clerk Amanda Riska

(11) Present. Commissioners Herl, Lutchka, Rice, Duckham, Alexander, Videto, Mahoney, Williams, Way, Elwell, and Shotwell.

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Videto for Approval of the Agenda. Cmr. Way requested to add Filling the Vacant Commission Seat under New Business. Motion carried.

6. **AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS** – None.
7. **COMMUNICATIONS/PETITIONS** – None.
8. **SPECIAL ORDERS/PUBLIC HEARINGS** – None.
9. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

John Wilson spoke about the Committee Structure for the 2013 Board of Commissioners.

Marina Antio expressed her disappointment regarding the LifeWays financial situation.

10. **SPECIAL MEETINGS OF STANDING COMMITTEES** – None.
11. **MINUTES** - Minutes of the August 21, 2012, Regular Meeting of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners

Moved by Duckham, supported by Mahoney to Approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2012, Regular Meeting of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners. Motion carried.

12. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Herl, supported by Mahoney for Approval of the Consent Agenda. Cmr. Way asked to have Item 12.C.8. Change in LifeWays Annual Funding removed for discussion. Roll Call (11) Yeas. Motion carried.

A. **County Policy**

1. Revised – Personnel Policy 3300 – Education Assistance Program

B. County Affairs & Agencies

2. Community Corrections Grant
3. Mental Health Court Grant
4. FOC FY 2013 Cooperative Reimbursement Program Agreement
5. Cradle to Career (C2C) Partnership Agreement

C. Human Services

6. Health Department Comprehensive Agreement
7. CDBG Grant
8. ~~Change in LifeWays Annual Funding~~

D. Personnel & Finance

9. Police Vehicle Purchase
10. JCERS By-Law Amendment
11. Professional Services Contract Change Order for Riverwalk Hotel Monitoring
12. Telecom Agreement
13. Budget Adjustments
 - a. Circuit Court

E. Other Business

14. Claims – August 1-31, 2012

13. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. County Policy – Commissioner Dave Elwell

1. Committee Organization Discussion

Moved by Elwell, supported by Lutchka to Return this Issue to the Policy Committee for Discussion and to have it brought back to the Full Board at the October Meeting.

Motion carried.

B. County Affairs & Agencies – Commissioner Dave Lutchka

1. Appointments

- a. City of Jackson LDFA/LBRA – 1 public member, term to 9/2016

Commissioner Lutchka stated that the committee recommended Jon Williams and Mike Way. Jon Williams stated that he wishes to withdraw his application. No other nominations from the floor. Mike Way appointed.

C. Human Services – Commissioner Jon Williams

1. NSP3 Boundary Plan Extension

Moved by Williams, supported by Lutchka to Approve the NSP3 Boundary Plan Extension.

Moved by Elwell, supported by Herl to Amend the Original Motion to Exclude the City from the NSP3 Boundary Plan. Roll Call: (4) Yeas. Cmr. Herl, Rice, Duckham, and Elwell. (7) Nays. Cmr. Lutchka, Alexander, Videto, Shotwell, Mahoney, Williams, and Way. Motion failed.

Roll Call on Original Motion: (11) Yeas. Motion carried.

2. Change in LifeWays Annual Funding

Moved by Williams, supported by Lutchka to Approve the Administrator's Recommendation Regarding LifeWays Funding. Moved by Way to amend the motion as follows: **To approve a payment to LifeWays for \$466,000.00 for our share of their current year deficit. Require LifeWays to develop a deficit reduction plan and have them report monthly to the Human Services Standing Committee to report their progress on the plan. Have the 2013 County Commission next year about this time evaluate the progress of the deficit reduction plan and decide what the appropriate amount of money should be to contribute to them.** Williams supported the amendment and stated he will make it his full motion.

After discussion, moved by Way and supported by Williams to amend the motion as follows: To approve a payment in 2012 of up to \$560,000 less the amount that has already been paid (approx. \$74,000) to LifeWays. Require LifeWays to develop a deficit reduction plan and have them report monthly to the Human Services Standing Committee to report their progress on the plan. Have the 2013 County Commission next year about this time evaluate the progress of the deficit reduction plan and decide what the appropriate amount of money should be to contribute to them. Roll Call: (3) Yeas. Cmr. Williams, Way, and Elwell. (8) Nays. Cmr. Herl, Lutchka, Rice, Duckham, Alexander, Videto, Mahoney, and Shotwell. Motion failed.

Moved by Williams, supported by Lutchka for the County to increase the local match payment to LifeWays in an amount not to exceed \$560,000 annually from the Budget Stabilization Fund for years 2012 and 2013.

After discussion, moved by Duckham and supported by Way to amend the original motion to include: Receive a monthly report from LifeWays on the status of improving their finances. Roll Call: (7) Yeas. Cmr. Herl, Lutchka, Rice, Duckham, Williams, Way, and Elwell. (4) Nays. Cmr. Alexander, Videto, Mahoney, and Shotwell. Motion carried.

Roll Call for full motion as amended: (11) Yeas. Motion carried.

D. Personnel and Finance – Commissioner Jim Videto

1. Motion to Accept Transfer of Funds from MCF into General Fund

Moved by Videto, supported by Way to accept a resolution from the Jackson County Medical Care Facility to transfer \$78,064 from the Jackson County Medical Care Facility Maintenance of Effort Fund to cover pre 1989 Medical Care Facility Retirees and authorize transfer. Roll Call: (11) Yeas. Motion carried.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

15. NEW BUSINESS

A. Riverwalk Bid Acceptance

Moved by Elwell, supported by Way to Approve the Riverwalk Bid Acceptance. Roll Call: (10) Yeas. (1) Nay. Cmr. Rice. Motion carried.

B. Vacant Commission Seat – District 10

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Williams to advertise the vacant commission seat and allow the full board to review the applications to make an appointment. Motion carried. The Study Session will be moved from October 12 to October 5, 2012.

16. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Polaczyk commented on the BOC committee structure and thanked the Board for their votes to demolish the Riverwalk Hotel and for bringing money into the City.

Marina Antio is disappointed about the Board of Commissioner's vote on the LifeWays issue.

17. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS – None.

18. CLOSED SESSION

A. Discuss a personnel matter in accordance with MCL 15.268

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Rice to Go into Closed Session. Roll Call: (11) Yeas. Motion carried

Moved by Way, supported by Rice to Return from Closed Session. Motion carried.

19. ADJOURNMENT - Chairman Shotwell adjourned the September 18, 2012, Meeting of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners at 10:50 p.m.

James E. Shotwell – Chairman, Jackson County Board of Commissioners

Amanda L. Riska – County Clerk