CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Crenshaw called the June 23, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:30 p.m. in accordance with the Governor’s Executive Order 2020-129 regarding the Open Meetings Act.

Members Present at Roll Call: Crenshaw, Celentino, Koenig, Maiville, Morgan, Naeyaert, Polsdofer, Schafer, Sebolt, Slaughter, Stivers, Tennis, and Trubac.

Members Absent at Roll Call: Grebner.

A quorum was present.

TIME FOR MEDITATION

Chairperson Crenshaw asked those present for a moment of silence, prayer, or meditation. He further asked those present for thoughts and prayers for people who had been affected by COVID-19.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Grebner arrived at 6:32 p.m.

Commissioner Koenig moved to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2020 meeting. Commissioner Maiville supported the motion.

The motion to approve the minutes carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Chairperson Crenshaw stated that Board rules state resolutions would ordinarily be referred to a committee unless there was a 2/3 vote to allow the resolution to be considered by the Board immediately. He further stated that Agenda Items No. 1 and 2 had not been through a committee.

Commissioner Trubac moved to allow the following resolutions be considered by the Board immediately:

1. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION OF THE DECLARATION OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE COUNTY OF INGHAM

2. RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #20-230 ENTERING INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ANC HOLDINGS, LLC FOR HEALTH CENTER SPACE
Commissioner Sebolt supported the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Stivers moved to consider the following late resolutions:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE INGHAM COUNTY CONTROLLER/ADMINISTRATOR

RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE INGHAM COUNTY RACIAL EQUITY TASKFORCE

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK AT INGHAM COUNTY PARK BEACHES FOR THE 2020 SEASON

Commissioner Slaughter supported the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Crenshaw stated that the resolutions would be added to the agenda as Agenda Items No. 16, 17, and 18.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A LETTER FROM KATE SNYDER THANKING THE INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR APPROVING THE RESOLUTION DECLARING RACISM AS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. Chairperson Crenshaw instructed that this matter be placed on file.

A LETTER FROM LAUREN LEHIE RESIGNING FROM THE INGHAM COUNTY WOMEN’S COMMISSION. Chairperson Crenshaw accepted this resignation with regret and instructed that this matter be placed on file.

A MEMO FROM PARK MANAGER BRIAN COLLINS REGARDING THE RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK AT INGHAM COUNTY PARK BEACHES FOR THE 2020 SEASON. Chairperson Crenshaw instructed that this matter be placed on file.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

Julie Pingston, Greater Lansing Convention and Visitors Bureau (GLCVB) President and CEO, stated that she wanted to take a moment to introduce herself to the Board of Commissioners. She further stated that she had been with the GLCVB for 27 years, and in mid-March 2020, she was appointed to be President and CEO of the organization.

Ms. Pingston stated that she wanted to thank the Board of Commissioners for working with the GLCVB for all of these years. She further stated that she had worked alongside many of the Commissioners, through the Ingham County Fair Board and Potter Park Zoo Board as Chair of the Zoological Society.
Ms. Pingston stated that she had talked to Commissioner Sebolt about updating the Board of Commissioners on the status of the GLCVB at the next meeting of the County Services Committee. She further stated that she also wanted to thank Commissioner Slaughter, who served on the GLCVB Board of Directors, for the work he did on their behalf, and for the work done related to the Resolution to Declare Racism as a Public Health Crisis.

Ms. Pingston stated that the GLCVB had recently created a Board-level committee for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. She further stated that the GLCVB was already along that path to create workforce opportunities within their industry, so the Resolution to Declare Racism as a Public Health Crisis was helping to move that forward.

Ms. Pingston stated that she looked forward to working with the Board of Commissioners.

Chairperson Crenshaw thanked Ms. Pingston for her service on the Ingham County Fair Board and the Zoological Society.

Amy Trotter, Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) Executive Director, stated that she wanted to thank the Board of Commissioners for adding the issue of reopening the beaches onto the agenda and for taking a look at the recommendation of the Parks Commission. She further stated that she had attended the Parks Commission meeting the night before and there was a good discussion.

Ms. Trotter stated that she wanted to add her voice as a resident in support of reopening the beaches in Ingham County. She further stated that the State of Michigan recently reopened all of the 100+ State Parks, and through the COVID-19 pandemic, the day use beaches remained opened and unguarded for swimming as they had been for many years.

Ms. Trotter stated that Clinton County and Bath Township also had unguarded beaches, and so she would much appreciate the opportunity to swim again in Lake Lansing and Hawk Island. She further stated that she believed robust signage to promote social distancing was important, as well as swimming safety signage.

Ms. Trotter stated that she wanted to add her voice to the many in the community that would support the Board of Commissioners’ support for reopening the beaches in Ingham County.

Chairperson Crenshaw thanked Ms. Trotter for her comments.

CLARIFICATION/INFORMATION PROVIDED BY COMMITTEE CHAIRS

None.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Naeyaert moved to adopt a consent agenda consisting of all action items except Agenda Items No. 17 and 18. Commissioner Maitville supported the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Those agenda items that were on the consent agenda were adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Items voted on separately are so noted in the minutes.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

RATIFIED – JUNE 23, 2020
ADOPTED – JUNE 11, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Introduced by the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION OF THE DECLARATION OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE COUNTY OF INGHAM

RESOLUTION #20 – 255

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the County of Ingham sustained one of the first confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, any widespread outbreak within the County of Ingham could hinder and/or cease most daily operations within the entire County and overwhelm, Emergency Medical Services, Hospitals and Urgent Cares; and

WHEREAS, as of March 13, 2020 a State of Emergency was declared for Ingham County which was subsequently extended through June 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the Declaration of the State of Emergency through June 19, 2020.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners, in accordance with Section 10 of 1976 PA 390, as amended, hereby declares that a “state of emergency” exists within our jurisdiction as of March 13, 2020, and that local resources and funding are being utilized to the fullest possible extent. The response and recovery elements of our emergency operations plan have been activated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Declaration replaces the initial Declarations submitted on March 16, 2020, March 25, 2020, April 13, 2020, April 30, 2020, May 14, 2020 and May 27, 2020 and will expire on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is approved in accordance with Resolution 20-110 delegating authority to the Board Chairperson to approve emergency resolutions pursuant to the provisions of MCL 30.401 et seq or MCL 10.31 et seq if a state of disaster or state of emergency has been declared by the governor, then, during such time of emergency, to approve emergency resolutions, subject to subsequent ratification by the Board of Commissioners at a later date.

Ratified as part of the consent agenda.
Introduced by the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #20-230 ENTERING INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ANC HOLDINGS, LLC FOR HEALTH CENTER SPACE

RESOLUTION #20 – 256

WHEREAS, Resolution #20-230 authorizes entering into a Lease Agreement with ANC Holdings, LLC to commence August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2030, for 4,188 square foot of space to operate a Health Center at 1611 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing; and

WHEREAS, the correct address is 1611 E. Kalamazoo Street, Lansing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby amends Resolution #20-230 to reflect the correct address and to authorize entering into a Lease Agreement with ANC Holdings, LLC to commence August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2030, for 4,188 square foot of space to operate a Health Center at 1611 E. Kalamazoo Street, Lansing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other terms and conditions of Resolution #20-230 shall remain in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is approved in accordance with Resolution 20-110 delegating authority to the Board Chairperson to approve emergency resolutions pursuant to the provisions of MCL 30.401 et seq or MCL 10.31 et seq if a state of disaster or state of emergency has been declared by the governor, then, during such time of emergency, to approve emergency resolutions, subject to subsequent ratification by the Board of Commissioners at a later date.

Ratified as part of the consent agenda.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ADMITTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Introduced by the County Services Committee of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO HONOR ANGELA M. MORGAN OF THE INGHAM COUNTY
PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE

RESOLUTION #20 – 257

WHEREAS, Angela M. Morgan has been an employee of Ingham County since 2003; and

WHEREAS, Angela M. Morgan began her career with Ingham County as a Judicial Assistant in the 30th Circuit Court in 2003 after previously working in the 54-A District Court for the City of Lansing since 1985; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Angela M. Morgan joined the Ingham County Prosecutor’s Office as a Diversion Caseworker assisting first time, non-violent offenders participate in programs to avoid traditional criminal prosecution; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Angela M. Morgan moved into a litigation support role where she played an integral role supporting assistant prosecuting attorneys handling drug forfeitures and murder cases, including the 2010 murder trial of Bryan Fletcher; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Angela M. Morgan moved to the Ingham County Prosecutor’s Office Family Support Unit where she took the position of Support Investigator responsible for establishing orders of paternity, orders for child support, and actions for criminal non-support cases; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Angela M. Morgan returned to the Diversion Unit and resumed her prior position as a Diversion Caseworker; and

WHEREAS, during her career, Angela M. Morgan has performed her duties with dedication and professionalism thereby enhancing the reputation of the Ingham County Prosecutor’s Office and the County of Ingham; and

WHEREAS, after seventeen (17) years of dedicated service to the citizens of Ingham County, Angela M. Morgan is retiring from the county on July 1, 2020.

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby honors Angela M. Morgan for seventeen (17) years of dedicated service to the citizens of Ingham County and the State of Michigan while wishing her continued success in all of her future endeavors.

COUNTY SERVICES: Yeas: Sebolt, Celentino, Grebner, Koenig, Stivers, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: Naeyaert  Approved 06/16/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
Introduced by the County Services Committee of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION HONORING INGHAM COUNTY’S COVID-19 ESSENTIAL WORKERS

RESOLUTION #20 – 258

WHEREAS, Executive Orders issued by Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer in response to the COVID-19 outbreak to protect the health and safety of the public have ordered multiple closures, including the closure of schools, businesses and other places of employment, including many Ingham County departments and offices; and

WHEREAS, Ingham County employees were compensated under the County’s Suspension of Operations and Health Advisory Policies; and

WHEREAS, some employees were deemed essential and continued to work at their assigned work locations and other employees were able to continue several County operations by working remotely, while still being able to “Stay Home, Stay Safe”; and

WHEREAS, many Ingham County employees are currently participating in the Michigan Work Share program, which will allow for a payroll savings to the County while still benefitting these employees and their families; and

WHEREAS, those employees who are deemed essential are not able to work remotely, and/or may not participate in the Michigan Work Share program; and

WHEREAS, without these employees, Ingham County would not have been able to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak with the level of service it has, continuing to provide for the health and safety of Ingham County residents, as well as other Ingham County employees, while also continuing to provide vital services to the public.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby honors these essential Ingham County employees, and extends its sincere appreciation for their continued dedication, sacrifice and commitment to Ingham County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be presented to each employee who was deemed essential and continued to work during these times as an additional token of our appreciation for their dedication, sacrifice and commitment during this pandemic.

COUNTY SERVICES: Yeas: Se bolt, Celentino, Grebner, Koenig, Stivers, Maiville
Nays: None Absent: Naeyaert Approved 06/16/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Introduced by the County Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A PURCHASE ORDER BE ISSUED TO TRANE U.S. INC.
FOR THE HVAC SPLIT UNIT AT THE INGHAM COUNTY JAIL’S TRANSPORT
SUPERVISOR’S OFFICE

RESOLUTION #20 – 259

WHEREAS, the HVAC unit at the Ingham County Jail’s Transport Supervisor’s Office has outlived its useful life and needs to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, because Trane U.S. Inc. is on the US Communities contract, three quotes were not required; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Facilities Department to issue a purchase order to Trane U.S. Inc. who submitted the proposal of $7,792.00 for HVAC split unit at the Ingham County Jail’s Transport Supervisor’s office; and

WHEREAS, the Facilities Department is requesting a contingency of $500.00 for unforeseen circumstances; and

WHEREAS, funds for this project are available through the approved 2019 CIP line item #245-31199-979000-9F20.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes a purchase order to be issued to Trane U.S. Inc., 3350 Pine Tree Road, Lansing, Michigan 48911 for the HVAC split unit at the Ingham County Jail’s Transport Supervisor’s office for an amount not to exceed $8,292.00 which includes a $500.00 contingency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson to sign any necessary documents that are consistent with this resolution and approved as to form by the County Attorney.

COUNTY SERVICES: Yeas: Sebolt, Celentino, Grebner, Koenig, Stivers, Maiville
Nays: None Absent: Naeyaert Approved 06/16/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdorfer, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None Absent: None Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Introduced by the County Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH ROOF CONNECT FOR THE ROOF REPAIRS AT THE INGHAM COUNTY JAIL’S TRAINING CENTER

RESOLUTION #20 – 260

WHEREAS, the roof of the Jail’s Training Center has multiple leaks and needs repairs; and

WHEREAS, because Roof Connect is on the US Communities contract, three quotes were not required; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Facilities Department to enter into an agreement with Roof Connect who submitted the proposal of $33,920.00 for the roof repairs at the Ingham County Jail’s Training Center; and

WHEREAS, the Facilities Department is requesting a contingency of $5,000.00 for unforeseen circumstances; and

WHEREAS, funds for this project are available through CIP line item #245-31199-976000-7FC02.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes entering into an agreement with Roof Connect, 44 Grant 65, Sheridan, Arkansas 72150 for the roof repairs at the Ingham County Jail’s Training Center for an amount not to exceed $38,920.00 which includes a $5,000.00 contingency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson to sign any necessary documents that are consistent with this resolution and approved as to form by the County Attorney.

COUNTY SERVICES: Yeas: Sebolt, Celentino, Grebner, Koenig, Stivers, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: Naeyaert  Approved 06/16/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdofar, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
WHEREAS, the COVID-19 outbreak has caused significant disruption in the normal conduct of life for many Ingham County employees and their families which may result in significant financial hardship; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the impact to local units of government and adjustments to their workforce to maintain essential services and comply with the “Stay Home, Stay Safe” directive and the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, the Michigan Employees’ Retirement System (MERS) is allowing temporary adjustments to the definition of compensation by employers provided that such adjustments do not result in a diminishment of benefit for participants; and

WHEREAS, Ingham County is participating in a Work Share Program authorized by Resolution #20-227 which reduces employee work schedules from June 1, 2020 through July 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, making adjustments so that MERS will skip the months of June 2020 and July 2020 when determining an employee’s final average compensation for benefit calculation will have the result such that the reduction in wages experienced by employees during the Work Share Program does not negatively impact that benefit calculation; and

WHEREAS, Ingham County Labor Unions support approval of such modification; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners desires to approve such modification.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby approves such modification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes any amendment of retirement plans necessary to include such modification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign any necessary contract agreement(s) upon approval as to form by the County Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Controller/Administrator to sign any forms and correspondence necessary for activity authorized by this resolution.
COUNTY SERVICES: **Yea**: Sebolt, Celentino, Grebner, Koenig, Stivers, Maiville
**Nays**: None  **Absent**: Naeyaert  **Approved 06/16/2020**

FINANCE: **Yea**: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdorfer, Schafer, Maiville
**Nays**: None  **Absent**: None  **Approved 06/17/2020**

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Introduced by the Human Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION ADJUSTING HORSE SHOW FEES FOR 2020

RESOLUTION #20 – 262

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners set various fees for county services in Resolution #02-155 based on information and recommendations of the Maximus Cost of Services Analysis completed in 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners approved fees for the fairgrounds in Resolution #19-210; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #20-026 was needed to amend Resolution #19-210 to reflect actual prices; and

WHEREAS, the Fairgrounds are vital to the equine community to host horse shows; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 Pandemic is causing staff to participate in work share programs; and

WHEREAS, the staff may not have enough work hours to prepare the barns between shows; and

WHEREAS, the fairgrounds will offer discounts in rental fees in exchange for exhibitors to clean their own stalls through the 2020 horse show season.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorizes an amendment to Resolution #19-210 adjusting the fees for rentals of the fairgrounds as follows:

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the fees will be applicable until December 31, 2020.

HUMAN SERVICES: Yeas: Trubac, Stivers, Tennis, Koenig, Morgan, Slaughter, Naeyaert
Nays: None   Absent: None   Approved 06/15/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdofer, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None   Absent: None   Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

Introduced by the Human Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTIONS #19-552 AND #19-507 AND TO ENTER AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH FOR THE REGION 7 PERINATAL COLLABORATIVE

RESOLUTION #20 – 263

WHEREAS, Ingham County Health Department (ICHD) wishes to amend Resolution #19-507 which authorized an agreement with Larder Data Consulting, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #20-216 authorized the acceptance of an additional $50,000 for Region 7’s Perinatal Collaborative where ICHD is a partner and fiduciary; and

WHEREAS, this regional collaborative focuses on reducing infant and maternal mortality rates in Ingham, Eaton, and Clinton County areas; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue these efforts, ICHD would like to increase the amount paid to Larder Data Consulting, LLC from $17,000 to $22,000, for an increase of $5,000 which will allow Larder Data Consulting, LLC to provide additional support for Region 7’s Perinatal Collaborative; and

WHEREAS, ICHD would also like to amend Resolution #19-552 to provide Sparrow with up to an additional $15,000 to purchase blood pressure cuffs for their Perinatal Medication Treatment Mobile Unit Program (PMAT); and

WHEREAS, ICHD would additionally like to partner with CMH to develop a virtual support group for perinatal woman and mothers in an amount not to exceed $15,000; and

WHEREAS, these agreements will remain effective through September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer recommends approval of the attached resolution to allow ICHD to amend Resolution #19-507 increasing the amount paid to Larder Data Consultants by $5,000, to amend Resolution #19-552 allowing additional $15,000 to Sparrow for their PMAT initiative, and to enter into an agreement with CMH for an amount not to exceed $15,000 to develop a Perinatal Support Group effective upon execution through September 30, 2020.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes approval of the attached resolution to allow ICHD to amend Resolution #19-507 increasing the amount paid to Larder Data Consultants by $5,000, to amend Resolution #19-552 allowing additional $15,000 to Sparrow for their PMAT initiative, and to enter into an agreement with CMH for an amount not to exceed $15,000 to develop a Perinatal Support Group effective upon execution through September 30, 2020.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller/Administrator is authorized to make any budget adjustments consistent with this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign any necessary contract documents consistent with this resolution upon approval as to form by the County Attorney.

HUMAN SERVICES: Yeas: Trubac, Stivers, Tennis, Koenig, Morgan, Slaughter, Naeyaert
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/15/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdofer, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

Introduced by the Human Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION APPROVING CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING 2021 APPLICATIONS
FOR COMMUNITY AGENCY FUNDING

RESOLUTION #20 – 264

WHEREAS, since 1978, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners has provided financial support to various non-profit community organizations that provide a broad range of services for the purpose of advancing the County’s adopted long-range objectives; and

WHEREAS, over the years the community agency process has grown to over 30 applications requesting funding, with total requests of approximately $300,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners desires to make the process of awarding community agency funding efficient and effective; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners desires to continue the Community Agency application process, focusing on the long term goal of assisting Ingham County residents in meeting basic needs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the 2021 community agency funding process, with priority given to those proposals that directly contribute to addressing the County’s overarching long-term objective of “Meeting Basic Needs”, such as food, clothing, and shelter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller/Administrator is authorized to evaluate and determine funding levels for each applicant as a recommendation for approval by the Human Services Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no agency shall receive more than 10% of the total available funding for community agencies in FY 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes for applicants to understand that solicitation of proposals is not a commitment to fund those proposals in fiscal year 2021.

HUMAN SERVICES: Yeas: Trubac, Stivers, Tennis, Koenig, Morgan, Slaughter, Naeyaert
Nays: None Absent: None Approved 06/15/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdoyer, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None Absent: None Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
Introduced by the Law & Courts and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE SUPPORT SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CAROUSEL INDUSTRIES FOR THE JAIL & TRAINING ROOMS AUDIO & VIDEO SYSTEMS WITH THE INGHAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

RESOLUTION #20 – 265

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Jail and Training Rooms had Audio & Video Systems installed in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Innovation and Technology Department worked with Carousel Industries to replace the failed/failing Grand Valley Audio System; and

WHEREAS, the Jail and Training Rooms Audio & Video Systems were completed in several phases by the end of 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Jail and Training Rooms Video & Audio systems will be covered under this agreement.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the continued Support Service Agreement (SSA) for the Jail and Training Rooms Audio & Video Systems from Carousel Industries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the cost of the SSA, in an amount not to exceed $6,567.31, will be paid from the 63625810-932030 IT Maintenance account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson to sign any necessary contract documents that are consistent with this resolution and approved as to form by the County Attorney.

LAW & COURTS: Yeas: Slaughter, Polsdofor, Celentino, Crenshaw, Sebolt, Trubac, Schafer
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/11/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdofor, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

Introduced by the Law & Courts and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND A CONTRACT WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR INGHAM COUNTY/CITY OF LANSING COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS AND PROGRAM SUBCONTRACTS FOR FY 2020-2021

RESOLUTION #20 – 266

WHEREAS, the State Community Corrections Advisory Board, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners, and the City of Lansing approved the original Ingham County/City of Lansing Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan in 1991; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Advisory Board approved the Funding Application and Plan for FY 2020-2021; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2020-2021 Application provides for the following CCAB Plans and Services programming: Relapse Prevention and Recovery ($67,898) to be provided by C-E-I CMH; Gatekeeper services ($4,069) to be provided by the CCAB Staff Consultant; MRT Cognitive Change Groups ($32,082) to be provided by Prevention and Training Services; Domestic Violence Intervention Groups ($24,900) to be provided by Prevention and Training Services; Opioid Specific Program services ($29,850) to be provided by Tri County Community Adjudication Program (TRI-CAP); Day Reporting services ($40,274) to be provided by Northwest Initiative – ARRO; and, Electronic Monitoring Services for Pretrial defendants ($10,134) to be provided by Judicial Services Group, Ltd., for a subcontracted program total of $209,207 for the time period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2020-2021 Application also provides funding for a special part-time Pretrial Services Investigator ($25,683) to enhance the community supervision capacity of 30th Circuit Court Pretrial Services and for CCAB Administration in the amount of $50,422 for a Plans and Services total of $285,312 for the time period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Ingham County is also provided access to Probation Residential beds with a projected average daily population of 30 at $52.50 per bed day valued at $574,875, MDOC contracts directly with residential providers rather than with local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FY 2020-2021 Application, the County may enter into subcontracts for the purpose of implementing Plans and Services programs and services identified in the Community Corrections Plan and Application; and

WHEREAS, the Subcontractors for Plans and Services programming are willing and able to provide the services that the County requires.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes submission of the Grant Application and, upon State approval, entering into an Agreement with the Michigan Department of Corrections for Ingham County/City of Lansing Community Corrections for FY 2020-2021 in the amount of $285,312 in CCAB Plans and Services and Administration funds for the time period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes entering into subcontracts for CCAB Plans and Services programming from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 with Prevention and Training Services for the cost of MRT Change Groups for a cost not to exceed $32,082; with Prevention and Training Services for the cost of Domestic Violence Intervention Groups for a cost not to exceed $24,900; with Tri County Community Adjudication Program (TRI-CAP) for the cost of Opioid Specific Program services not to exceed $29,850; with CEI Community Mental Health for the cost of Relapse Prevention and Recovery services not to exceed $67,898; with Northwest Initiative - ARRO for the cost of Day Reporting services not to exceed $40,274; and with Judicial Services Group. Ltd. for the cost of electronic monitoring services for Pretrial defendants not to exceed $10,134.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the continued funding of a special part-time (19 hours per week) Pretrial Services Investigator position at the ICEA PRO06 salary grade not to exceed $25,683.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that entering into the subcontracts and maintaining the Pretrial Services Investigator position are contingent upon entering into the Agreement with the State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the subcontracts and Pretrial Services Investigator position are contingent throughout the subcontract period on the availability of grant funds from the State of Michigan for these purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board Chairperson is authorized to sign any necessary contracts/subcontracts consistent with this resolution subject to approval as to form by the County Attorney.

LAW & COURTS: Yeas: Slaughter, Polsdofr, Celentino, Crenshaw, Sebott, Trubac, Schafer
Nays: None Absent: None Approved 06/11/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdofr, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None Absent: None Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
Introduces by the Law & Courts and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A TWO SEVEN OH! GRANT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF MEDICAL COSTS

RESOLUTION #20 – 267

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Animal Control and Shelter has applied for and has been approved to receive grants from the Two Seven Oh! Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these grants is to reimburse Ingham County Animal Control for veterinary testing and treatments during set grant periods; and

WHEREAS, the award amount of this grant is dependent on the number of animals tested and treated through the set grant periods, but will not exceed $20,000.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners approves acceptance of this and future similar grants from the Two Seven Oh! Foundation for an amount to be determined by the number of animals tested or treated, but not to exceed $20,000 with no match requirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson to sign any necessary contract documents which are consistent with this resolution and approved as to form by the County Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Controller/Administrator to make the necessary budget adjustments to the Ingham County Animal Control budget.

LAW & COURTS: Yeas: Slaughter, Polsdofer, Celentino, Crenshaw, Sebolt, Trubac, Schafer
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/11/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdofer, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
WHEREAS, the Ingham Academy is a partnership between the Juvenile Division of the Circuit Court, Highfields, Peckham Inc., and the Ingham Intermediate School District; and

WHEREAS, the Juvenile Division of the Circuit Court has utilized Ingham Intermediate School District to provide educational instruction at the Ingham Academy since September of 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham Intermediate School District provides teachers, paraprofessionals, administrative support and a part-time principal; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 outbreak has caused significant disruption in the normal conduct of life and business for Ingham County employees and operations; and

WHEREAS, Executive Orders issued by Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer in response to the COVID-19 outbreak to protect the health and safety of the public have ordered multiple closures, including the closure of schools, business and other places of employment, specifically Executive Order 2020-35 ordered the suspension of in person instruction for Michigan school; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham Academy remotely resumed education programming on April 20, 2020, which the Court and community partners have continually evaluated the effectiveness of this method of learning for Ingham Academy students; and

WHEREAS, the Court and community partners believe that operating summer school session remotely will not be effective and mutually agree that the program should resume for the 2020/2021 academic year; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham Academy is funded 50% by the Juvenile Justice Mileage and 50% Child Care Fund; and

WHEREAS, the elimination of the summer session will result in a substantial cost saving to the County and those funds will likely be returned to the Juvenile Justice Mileage Fund balance; and

WHEREAS, the parties of said contract, by mutual agreement and consent, wish to end the existing 2020 contract on June 8, 2020 and enter into a new agreement beginning on August 12, 2020.
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes terminating the existing contract with the Ingham Intermediate School District on June 8, 2020 and reentering a new agreement for the time period of August 12, 2020 through September 30, 2020.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign any necessary documents consistent with this resolution after approval as to form by the County Attorney.

LAW & COURTS: Yeas: Slaughter, Polsdof er, Celentino, Crenshaw, Sebolt, Trubac, Schafer
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/11/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdof er, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
Introduced by the Law & Courts and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AMENDMENTS TO THE 2020 CONTRACT WITH HIGHFIELDS FOR EDUCATIONAL INSTRUCTION AT THE INGHAM ACADEMY

RESOLUTION #20 – 269

WHEREAS, the Ingham Academy is a partnership between the Juvenile Division of the Circuit Court, Highfields, Peckham Inc., and the Ingham Intermediate School District; and

WHEREAS, Highfields staff provides the behavioral intervention needed by the students on a daily basis as well as the transportation of the juveniles to an from the program; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 outbreak has caused significant disruption in the normal conduct of life and business for Ingham County employees and operations; and

WHEREAS, Executive Orders issued by Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer in response to the COVID-19 outbreak to protect the health and safety of the public have ordered multiple closures, including the closure of schools, business and other places of employment, specifically Executive Order 2020-35 ordered the suspension of in person instruction for Michigan school; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham Academy remotely resumed education programming on April 20, 2020, which the Court and community partners have continually evaluated the effectiveness of this method of learning for Ingham Academy students; and

WHEREAS, the Court and community partners believe that operating summer school session remotely will not be effective and mutually agree that the program should resume for the 2020/2021 academic year; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham Academy is funded 50% by the Juvenile Justice Mileage and 50% Child Care Fund; and

WHEREAS, the elimination of the summer session will result in a substantial cost saving to the County and those funds will likely be returned to the Juvenile Justice Mileage Fund balance; and

WHEREAS, the parties of said contract, by mutual agreement and consent, wish to end the existing 2020 contract on June 8, 2020 and enter into a new agreement beginning on August 12, 2020.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes terminating the existing contract with Highfields on June 8, 2020 and entering into a new agreement for the time period of August 12, 2020 through September 30, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign any necessary documents consistent with this resolution after approval as to form by the County Attorney.
LAW & COURTS: Yeas: Slaughter, Polsdofer, Celentino, Crenshaw, Sebolt, Trubac, Schafer
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/11/2020

FINANCE: Yeas: Morgan, Tennis, Grebner, Crenshaw, Polsdofer, Schafer, Maiville
Nays: None  Absent: None  Approved 06/17/2020

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
Introduced by the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE INGHAM COUNTY CONTROLLER/ADMINISTRATOR

RESOLUTION #20 – 270

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of Controller/Administrator Tim Dolehan, a search committee was established to interview candidates to serve as Controller/Administrator; and

WHEREAS, after advertising, screening, and interviewing, the most qualified applicant has been selected; and

WHEREAS, the Controller Search Committee is recommending the appointment of Gregg Todd as Ingham County Controller/Administrator.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints Gregg Todd as Controller/Administrator for the County of Ingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appointment will take effect September 1, 2020, pursuant to MCLA 46.13 (b) with a salary of $127,967 (MCF 19, Step 1) within the salary range ($127,967 - $153,601) as stated in the Managerial Salary Plan.

Adopted as part of the consent agenda.
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ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 17

Introduced by the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE INGHAM COUNTY RACIAL EQUITY TASKFORCE

RESOLUTION #20 – 271

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2020 the Ingham County Board of Commissioners unanimously adopted resolution #20-254 to declare racism as a public health crisis in the County of Ingham; and

WHEREAS, resolution #20-254 notes that “racism, including unconscious and conscious bias, causes persistent racial discrimination in Criminal Justice, Social Capital, Voter Suppression, Education, Transportation, Employment, Food Access, Mental Health and Health Behaviors, Socioeconomic Status, Environmental Exposure, Access to Health Services, Housing, and Public Safety”; and

WHEREAS, resolution #20-254 resolved that “Ingham County is recommitting its full attention to improving the quality of life and health of our Black Ingham County residents”; and

WHEREAS, resolution #20-254 resolved that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners advocates for relevant policies that improve health in the Black community, and support local, state, and federal initiatives that advance social justice.

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce, a broadly representative advisory board made up of Ingham County leaders, employees, and the community to achieve community-centered solutions to address the legacy of racial injustices faced by Black communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the charge of the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce is to support an overarching goal of achieving equitable outcomes in wealth accumulation and income, education, safety, health and other measures of well-being among all Black Ingham County residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce will report annually to the Ingham County Human Services Committee of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce will develop within six months a comprehensive set of recommendations for realignment of county and community resources and investments aimed at creating equitable outcomes in the areas of wealth accumulation and income, education, safety, health and other measures of well-being among all county residents and county employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce will, with the input of county residents, identify and track metrics pertaining to, but not limited to, areas involving criminal justice, social capital, environmental, voter suppression, education and transportation.
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce will convene county residents in a variety of locations and settings to hold broad-based, inclusive listening sessions aimed at prioritizing the needs of Black residents of Ingham County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the make-up of the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce will consist of fifteen Ingham County residents, which will include two members of the Board of Commissioners, one of whom represents the Human Services Committee and at least one Ingham County employee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in addition to the fifteen member committee, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners will serve as an ex-officio member and one representative from each of the following Ingham County advisory boards/committees shall serve as non-voting members of the Taskforce: Ingham County Equal Opportunity Committee, Ingham County Board of Health, Ingham County Community Health Center Board, Health in All Policies Committee, and the Ingham County Women’s Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce will be chaired by one presiding member of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners selected and appointed by the Chairperson of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, members of the Taskforce shall be appointed to three year staggered terms, with one-third of the initial terms expiring December 31, 2021, one third expiring December 31, 2022 and the remaining third expiring December 31, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby appropriates up to $20,000 from the Contingency Fund for appropriate resources to ensure that the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce is adequately staffed and supported.

Commissioner Slaughter moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Naeyaert supported the motion.

Commissioner Slaughter stated that, from all of the conversations he had since the passage of the Resolution to Declare Racism as a Public Health Crisis in the County of Ingham, the County had seen multiple municipalities and other counties follow their lead. He further stated that the resolution was a good starting point, and so he was excited that this resolution was the next step to take the words and put them into action.

Commissioner Slaughter stated that he appreciated all of the conversations he had in terms of how the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce would look like. He further stated that the taskforce would be used to see how the County would do their part to reduce the effects of racism.

Commissioner Slaughter stated that he was excited to work with the Board of Commissioners and community to open up this dialogue. He further stated that he enthusiastically supported this resolution and was happy to have played a role in bringing this before the Board of Commissioners.

Chairperson Crenshaw thanked Commissioner Slaughter for his hard work and dedication to this resolution. He further stated that he thought the County had a good start of a taskforce that would provide valuable information to the Board of Commissioners.

The motion to adopt the resolution carried unanimously.
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ADOPTED – JUNE 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM NO. 18

Introduced by the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK
AT INGHAM COUNTY PARK BEACHES FOR THE 2020 SEASON

RESOLUTION #20 – 272

WHEREAS, Ingham County operated beaches at Burchfield County Park, Hawk Island County Park, and Lake Lansing South County Park, along with the Hawk Island Splash Pad have been closed due to Covid-19; and

WHEREAS, the Park Commission recommends the Board of Commissioners authorize opening the swimming beaches for swim at your own risk by July 4th; and

WHEREAS, swim at your own risk could be accomplished by July 4th, upon approval of the Board of Commissioners, as water testing and beach set up would need to take place (buoys, swim ropes, etc.), signs produced and posted, lifesaving equipment purchased and installed, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the beaches and splash pad would be open at a minimum through Labor Day 2020.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorize the beaches at Burchfield County Park, Hawk Island County Park and Lake Lansing South Park along with the Hawk Island Splash Pad to be open as swim at your own risk, without lifeguards, from July 4, 2020 until at least Labor Day (September 7, 2020).

Commissioner Trubac moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Stivers supported the motion.

Commissioner Trubac stated that he had supported this at the Parks Commission meeting the night before. He further stated that it made sense to open the beaches for those people who wanted to use them, and that it was not practical to wait for lifeguards.

Commissioner Trubac stated that he knew that Commissioner Stivers had a lot of constituents who had asked her to work on this, so he would be deferring to her to speak on this resolution.

Commissioner Stivers stated that the Parks Commission had voted unanimously to move forward with this. She further stated that the Parks Commission had consulted with Linda Vail, Health Officer, and she had approved the reopening of beaches in Ingham County.

Commissioner Stivers stated that Ms. Vail had felt that it was more of a risk to keep the beaches closed because people had been jumping the fences and swimming without buoys or signage. She further stated that it made more sense to post extensive signage on the beaches in regards to social distancing and the lack of lifeguards.
Commissioner Stivers stated that the Parks Commission took the decision to reopen the beaches without lifeguards very seriously. She further stated that there was a drowning at Lake Lansing South in the early-2000s, and it was the decision of this Board of Commissioners to make sure that there would always be lifeguards.

Commissioner Stivers stated that what the Parks Commission would be doing to decrease that risk was to be sure that the regular Park Rangers had extra cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training and what limited lifeguard training was available. She further stated that the Parks Commission would be looking at other solutions for getting lifeguards trained and hired later in the summer.

Commissioner Stivers stated that the Parks Commission felt that the risk was low, considering that the State of Michigan had recently reopened all of the State Parks without lifeguards and so had neighboring counties. She further stated that, as Commissioner Trubac said, she had been contacted by her constituents and people in the City of Lansing to tell her how much they would appreciate having the beaches opened.

Commissioner Stivers stated that she hoped that the Board of Commissioners would support this resolution tonight.

Commissioner Grebner stated that this was a situation with a long history, and while the Commissioners did not have time to hear it all, he thought the Board of Commissioners did not know much of any of the history of this. He further stated that because they were making this decision so abruptly, he wanted to explain how the Board of Commissioners got here, so that future decisions would be informed by history and prior experiences.

Commissioner Grebner provided a historical background of Lake Lansing Park and the relationship between the County and Meridian Township.

Commissioner Grebner stated that the County began charging admission to Lake Lansing Park in 2001. He further stated that it resulted in a strange compromise with Meridian Township that the County would not charge fees, but the County would stop paying for lifeguards.

Commissioner Grebner stated that, within a week of Lake Lansing Park being opened without lifeguards, the County experienced a near-drowning. He further stated, because this occurred within a week of opening, the Board of Commissioners could not stand up to the political pressure and agreed to restore lifeguards and to charge park fees to cover the costs.

Commissioner Grebner stated that the back-and-forth politics was complicated, but suddenly with COVID-19, directions could be changed overnight. He further stated that while he supported the recommendation of the Parks Commission, he thought that the Board of Commissioners should understand that this was a fraught decision and they were likely to hear from Meridian Township and others.

Commissioner Maiville stated that the memo from the Parks Department mentioned that this resolution would have a cost savings of $141,742. He further stated that he wanted to be clear that the Board of Commissioners was not doing this for cost savings, but rather for people to have access to these beaches.

Commissioner Celentino stated that he wanted to echo was Commissioner Grebner said. He further stated that he commended the Parks Commission for their work, but because of his experience, he wished that lifeguards would be present.
Commissioner Celentino stated that he was glad to hear what Commissioner Maiville said because, while there would be a cost savings of $141,742, that was not what was driving this decision. He asked if Ms. Vail had any second thoughts because there seemed to be concern of an increase in positive COVID-19 cases in the County.

Ms. Vail stated that, from a public health perspective, she saw and continued to see no issue with the parks. She further stated that she would rather have people be outdoors than indoors.

Ms. Vail stated that she understood the concerns of Tim Morgan, Parks Department Director, in terms of the need to enforce social distancing, but she thought the County could not be the mask and/or social distancing police everywhere and his staff would have to do the best they could to do that. She further stated that there were operational issues that Mr. Morgan knew about, but that was not her purview.

Ms. Vail stated that, in terms of lifeguards, that was not a discussion she had with Mr. Morgan nor was she involved in the discussion relative to the operations of the parks. She further stated that that was part of the purview of the Board of Commissioners and Parks Commission to figure out.

Ms. Vail stated that, in terms of the increase in positive COVID-19 cases in the County, bars and restaurants were contributing to that. She further stated that she too was looking at the possibility of Michigan moving to the next phase of reopening anytime now.

Ms. Vail stated that cases of COVID-19 did not seem to increase until the episode with an establishment in East Lansing that the Commissioners were probably aware of. She further stated that this establishment in downtown Lansing that closed had no further issues.

Ms. Vail stated that the Health Department was in the midst of conducting contact tracing and encouraging people to get tested who had visited the establishment in East Lansing. She further stated that she had talked to someone on the East Lansing City Council as well as George Lahanas, East Lansing City Manager, about what could be done to assist.

Ms. Vail stated that she received an email from the Director of Epidemiology at the Bureau of Epidemiology and Population Health, and he was pleased with the measures being taken and inquired whether the County would be issuing a Public Notice requesting that people self-quarantine for a period of time since their exposure at the establishment in East Lansing. She further stated that the number of positive cases of COVID-19 from people who had visited the establishment in East Lansing had steadily increased.

Ms. Vail stated that the Health Department would be releasing a press release on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 and request that people self-quarantine for 14 days post whatever date they had visited that particular establishment in East Lansing. She further stated that they had other prior outbreaks of COVID-19 cases, including the Meijer warehouse, and the Health Department had gotten them under control.

Ms. Vail stated that it could be that the Health Department needs to look at capacity in a different manner. She further stated that, even though the establishment in East Lansing had a 50 percent capacity limit, it could hold 950+ people, so the Health Department would be having conversations with them and making a determination of how they would proceed.

Commissioner Celentino thanked Ms. Vail for her comments.

Commissioner Celentino asked if the signage and other lifesaving equipment would be in place by July 4, 2020.
Commissioner Stivers stated that she hoped for that to be the case. She further stated that the Parks Commission had additional training for all of the staff to help them understand what their responsibilities were, in regards to social distancing.

Commissioner Stivers stated that the big issue with the lifeguards was that regular lifeguard training could not be done because of physical contact and the closure of pools. She further stated that lifeguards could not be trained to their normal level, but they could get as close as possible.

Commissioner Stivers stated that Parks Department staff requested an additional couple of weeks to work on the signage, training, and everything else that needed to be done. She further stated that it would be top priority to get the beaches ready and as safe as possible for swimming.

Commissioner Celentino asked if it would not be rushed, even if it was not done by July 4, 2020.

Commissioner Stivers stated that the Parks Commission had not explicitly spoken about that, but it would be not be rushed.

Commissioner Naeyaert stated that she had concern about the added responsibilities to the Park Rangers. She further stated that she also had concerns that the County could not hire lifeguards due to the risk of COVID-19, but if a child was drowning, she hoped that someone would provide CPR to save their life.

Commissioner Naeyaert stated that she had concerns that the County did not have lifeguards, but wondered about using the lifeguards that had worked last summer, or others who were certified to perform CPR.

Commissioner Morgan asked if there had been any discussion with the appropriate bargaining units in terms of expectation that Park Rangers act as lifeguards.

Brian Collins, Park Manager, stated that he wanted to thank the Parks Commission for the insightful meeting the night before. He further stated that he also wanted to thank Ms. Vail for her public health expertise.

Mr. Collins stated that, in terms of lifeguarding, the issue was training rather than life-saving itself. He further stated that it was the ability for staff to train those individuals, but CPR could be trained with social distancing measures.

Mr. Collins stated that he had talked to City of Lansing Parks and Recreation, but their pools were not open. He further stated that lifeguards from the City of East Lansing could be interested, and he planned to reach out to those organizations should this resolution pass tonight.

Mr. Collins stated that if the County had to train their own lifeguards, it would be hard to get those lifeguards ready in two to three weeks. He further stated that he had talked to the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) earlier that afternoon about their expectation for signage, and those were ready to be ordered.

Mr. Collins stated that MMRMA had suggested that if a Park Ranger served an unguarded beach maintenance-wise, as soon as the County enforced rules in the water, it became a guarded beach. He further stated that it became a situation where the County would be held liable.
Chairperson Crenshaw asked Mr. Collins about communication with the bargaining units that Commissioner Morgan had asked about earlier.

Mr. Collins stated that the full-time Park Rangers did not have any responsibilities in terms of the beaches. He further stated that most of them were seasonal employees, but there were one or two employees in each facility that were part of a bargaining unit and the beaches did not affect those positions.

Commissioner Morgan stated that he was confused because it was explained to him that the Park Rangers would be available to perform emergency lifeguarding duties. He asked if there was any indication of who would be available to perform emergency lifeguarding duties.

Mr. Collins stated there were full-time Park Rangers, whose responsibilities were to perform park maintenance. He further stated that there were also seasonal Park Rangers, who were high school and college-age people who were responsible for the beaches, so while they shared the same title, their responsibilities were quite different.

Discussion.

Commissioner Naeyaert stated that she was confused because the Board of Commissioners was told that the Park Rangers would be controlling social distancing and performing CPR at the beaches. She further stated that she did not understand why seasonal Park Rangers with limited experience would be asked to perform these duties.

Mr. Collins stated that there was not an easy way to tell people to socially distance, except for having the correct signage. He further stated that he was not going to ask high school and college-age Park Rangers to approach someone that was hostile or not wearing a mask.

Mr. Collins stated that full-time Park Rangers were rarely on the beaches. He further stated that the title of Park Ranger was deceiving, and he thought maintenance worker was a more correct title.

Mr. Collins stated that there were four employees on-staff at Lake Lansing, two employees at Hawk Island, and one employee at Burchfield County Park who were lifeguard certified. He further stated that the plan was to go over basic training with their seasonal staff, as far as if an incident occurred.

Commissioner Stivers stated that she apologized for not making the distinction clear between the seasonal and full-time union-based Park Rangers. She further stated that there was a problem with high school and college-age staff trying to enforce the no-swim rules, and there had been one incident where a Park Ranger was yelled at by a member of the public for the beaches being closed.

Commissioner Stivers stated that the signage was the most important element of this decision. She further stated that it would not be on the shoulders of the Park Rangers to be enforcing social distancing or lifeguarding.

Commissioner Stivers stated that while it was not ideal to be opening the beaches under these circumstances, this was what the Board of Commissioners had to work with. She further stated that she thought at this point it was safer to open than to not open.

Commissioner Morgan stated that he wanted to apologize in advance to Commissioner Stivers because he had told her the day before that if Ms. Vail was supportive of reopening the beaches, than he would be too, but at this point, there was too much in the air for him to support this decision.
Commissioner Grebner stated that to have a lifeguarded beach or not having a lifeguarded beach was similar to flipping a light switch. He further stated that the lifeguarding under insurance rules and State of Michigan Law was that you either met the standards for lifeguards or you did not have a lifeguarded beach.

Commissioner Grebner stated that if you did not have a lifeguarded beach, it needed to be clear through signage that you were not providing lifeguard service. He further stated that if you did provide lifeguard service, there was a required number of workers per so-many feet of beach.

Commissioner Grebner stated that he wanted it to be clear that the County was deciding whether to have a non-lifeguarded beach. He further stated that the County would be telling the public this for insurance and legal purposes because the County was not providing full lifeguard service.

Commissioner Slaughter asked Mr. Collins, if the resolution did not pass tonight, what would be the next steps for the beaches.

Mr. Collins stated that it would be a hard process to hire lifeguards. He further stated that one problem the Parks Department had was the loss of their seasonal staff in mid-August as schools began.

Mr. Collins stated that, because the City of Lansing pools and the City of East Lansing Family Aquatic Center were closed, there was a possibility for those lifeguards to be hired by the County.

Commissioner Slaughter asked Mr. Collins if the amount of time spent training lifeguards was unique or not to the County.

Mr. Collins stated that 30 hours of training was the typical length of time for a Red Cross lifeguarding course. He further stated that there was some training on-site because each of the beach facilities were different.

Commissioner Naeyaert asked Matt Nordfjord, County Attorney, if the County was or was not liable if there was signage.

Mr. Nordfjord stated that he agreed that the Board of Commissioners was deciding whether or not to have a guarded or unguarded beach. He further stated that the County had less liability from a legal standpoint with an unguarded beach.

Mr. Nordfjord stated that there was the possibility of a claim of gross negligence for a lifeguard who accidentally or intentionally did something that should not have been done. He further stated that that having signage on an unguarded beach was a better liability proposition for the County, which was different from the policy perspective that the Board of Commissioners was presented with.

Commissioner Naeyaert stated that she thought a person jumping a fence to swim was comparable to going to the grocery store and not wearing a mask, which was that the person was assuming the responsibility of putting their life at risk and it was not the fault of the County. She further stated that she did not feel comfortable with the decision to reopen the beaches under this resolution.

Commissioner Sebolt stated that, in response to Commissioner Naeyaert, when someone jumped a fence to swim in the lake, they were putting their own life at risk, but when someone did not wear a mask at a store, it was everyone else they were putting at risk.
Commissioner Stivers stated that she was most interested in opening these beaches and keeping swimmers safe. She further stated that there were incidences where boaters came with a few feet of swimmers because of the lack of buoys.

Commissioner Stivers stated that the easiest way to keep people safe and to prevent a massive tragedy was to open the beaches as safely as possible given the tools the County had. She further stated that the County needed to test the water, post the appropriate signage, and put out the buoys and ropes that was done every year.

Commissioner Stivers stated that she agreed with Ms. Vail that people were better off outside at a public beach where social distancing was generally going to be practiced, rather than at bars and restaurants. She further stated that this was a matter of equity and access to public resources, and so she hoped that would be a consideration too.

Commissioner Morgan stated that the opening of Hawk Island Park worried him more than Lake Lansing Park, because he was there frequently, and it seemed that every time he was there with his children, a human chain had to be formed to find a child that had gone under the water from the splash pad to the beach.

Commissioner Morgan stated that there were a lot of chaotic children there, and to have no one there, he could not have that on his conscience as a parent.

Mr. Collins stated that he talked to MMRMA earlier today, and they echoed the thoughts of Mr. Nordfjord as far as a guarded versus unguarded beach.

The motion to adopt the resolution carried by roll call vote. Yeas: Grebner, Koenig, Maiville, Polsdofner, Schafer, Stivers, Tennis, Trubac Nays: Celentino, Morgan, Naeyacrt, Sebolt, Slaughter, Crenshaw Absent: None
JUNE 23, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Slaughter moved to use funds from the flower fund to gift a $200 gift card to Linda Vail. Commissioner Celentino supported the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

CONSIDERATION AND ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Tennis moved to pay the claims in the amount of $3,171,872.74. Commissioner Slaughter supported the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

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BARB BYRUM, CLERK OF THE BOARD