



**BERRIEN COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
Administration Center, 701 Main St., St. Joe, MI  
Thursday, November 10, 2022  
10:30 a.m.

**CHAIRMAN TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:30 a.m.**

- Reminder - Please turn all electronic devices off.
- Any materials that an individual wishes to distribute to the Board should be given to the Sergeant at Arms.
- Upon calling the meeting to order, it shall be the duty of each member to conduct him/herself in a professional manner, to avoid unnecessary noise and to refrain from private conversations. (BOC Bylaws Article IV, 4.1)
- Public in attendance shall be held to the same standards of conduct. (Article III, 3.9C)

**INVOCATION** - Given by Commissioner Jon Hinkelman

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Led by Commissioner Bob Harrison

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2022 MEETING**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

***PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING RESOLUTIONS*** - Public comments at this portion of the meeting must be related to resolutions listed on today's agenda only. Those speaking during public comments may do so no longer than two minutes and shall identify themselves by name (including last name) and city, township, or village. (Article III. 3.9B-C). The public should refer to the resolution # that they are commenting on as a part of their comments.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following resolutions are considered routine and will be adopted by one motion unless a request for removal, discussion, or explanation is received from a County Commissioner.

<u>Resolution #</u>	<u>Description</u>
F2211054	Weekly Bills & Road Payables
B2211101	Requisition List
F2211396	FY23 Budget Approval
Approve the FY23 Berrien County budget as presented in last week's public hearing.	
A2211400	Approve road signage in St. Joseph Charter Township
Approve a change in road signage at the intersection of Brownway and Russell Roads in St. Joseph Charter Twp.	

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Personnel & Human Services Committee
- Finance Committee
- Administration Committee

**ADDED RESOLUTION**

P2211406                                      Accept Veteran Service Fund Grant

Accept the Veteran Services Fund Grant to enhance services provided to Berrien County Veterans.

A2211413                                      Approve Contract for Gas and Diesel Pricing

Approve the contract with the lowest bidder (vendor) for six (6) month pricing of unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel as needed for the Road Department fleet.

A2211414                                      Approve TAP Grant Application

Approve the application for the TAP Grant to help fund another construction project to further the Red Arrow Linear Park Pathway.

**COMMISSIONER REPORT(S)**

**ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

*GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS* - Those speaking during public comments may do so no longer than two minutes and shall identify themselves by name (including last name) and city, township, or village. (Article III, 3.9 B-C). The Board of Commissioners embraces diverse points of view as the Board considers a wide variety of policy challenges. The right to be heard is a central democratic value. That said, public comments is most productive when it is civil and respectful. Personal attacks have no place in reasoned discourse. We urge all commenters to share their viewpoints in a manner that is respectful and courteous, and to refrain from making comments that are abusive, defamatory or obscene.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ANNOUNCEMENT/REMINDERS**

- County Facilities will be closed Friday, November 11, 2022 in observance of Veterans Day.
- No board meetings will be held on Thursday, November 24, 2022.
- County Facilities will be closed Thursday, November 24, 2022 and Friday, November 25, 2022 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

**CLOSED SESSION - Pending Litigation -** "To discuss with our attorney trial and/or settlement strategy in the tax-foreclosure litigation including the pending lawsuits in Grainger v County of Ottawa et al Case No:19-cv-501, Calkins v Kent County No:21-cv-00062, and Sattler v Kent County No:22-cv-316 pursuant to MCL 15.268(e), because discussion on the open record will have a detrimental financial effect on the litigation or settlement position of ( insert ) County. and also to discuss material exempt from disclosure under the attorney-client privilege, MCL 15.243(1)(g), pursuant to MCL 15.268(h)."

**ADJOURNMENT**