

BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
September 22, 2022

CHAIRMAN TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairperson R. McKinley Elliott called the regular Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting to order at 8:35 A.M. in the Board of Commissioners' (BOC) room at the Berrien County Administration Center, 701 Main Street, St. Joseph, Michigan.

ROLL CALL:

The Chair instructed the Clerk to take a roll call with the following results:

12 PRESENT: Rayonte Bell, Jim Curran, Teri Sue Freehling, Robert Harrison, Jon Hinkelman, James Martin, Michael Majerek, Ezra Scott, David Vollrath, Julie Wuerfel, Mamie Yarbrough and R. McKinley Elliott.

0 ABSENT.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 MEETING:

Commissioner Scott moved and seconded by Commissioner Freehling, to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes held on September 8, 2022. Motion carried, no nays.

REQUISITION REVIEW – Stephanie Carlson:

Stephanie Carlson presented the requisitions to the Board for their review and discussion.

SCHEDULED DISCUSSION:

Administrator Brian Dissette discussed the two presentations for today.

- **P2209344 Presentation/Discussion – Brian Dissette/Shelley Jasper**
Administrator Brian Dissette gave a PowerPoint presentation on “Resolution #P2209344 – Implement Compensation and Classification Study Findings” and discussed the following:
 - Compensation & Classification Study
 - Resolution #P1807265 – Dated: July 12, 2018
 - RFP opened on March 28, 2019
 - Resolution #P1906256 – June 27, 2019
 - Resolution #P2108300 – August 19, 2021
 - Administrator Memo – Dated: September 13, 2022
 - What does the approval of the resolution put into place?
 - Administrator recommendation from memo dated September 13, 2022
 - Resolution #P2209344

Human Resources Director Shelley Jasper was available to answer any questions. Discussion was held.

- **Whirlpool Trail Grant Application – Dan Fette**
Community Development Director Dan Fette introduced individuals in the audience who are involved and are partnering on the development of the Lakeside Trail system. Community Development Director Fette gave a PowerPoint presentation on the “Lakeview Trail – M-63 Corridor” and discussed the following:
 - Lakeview Trail - M-63 Corridor Request
 - The Community Impact of Trails
 - Berrien County Trails

- Lakeview Master Trails Proposal
- Whirlpool Campus Trails Improvements – 2022
- Harbor Shore Golf Trails Improvements – 2022
- Whirlpool Projects with Trail Impact – 2023
- Lakeview M-63 Corridor Trail Proposal – 2024?
- Trail Maintenance Program
- Summary of Activities
- The “Ask” from the County

No County contribution will be asked for this project. Discussion was held.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Administrator Brian Dissette had Captain Rockey Adams speak about a resolution regarding the EOC going to the Administration Committee today.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Per the Berrien County Board of Commissioners’ Bylaws, those speaking during public comments may do so no longer than two minutes and shall identify themselves by name and city, township, or village. (Article III, 3.9B-C):

Sheriff Paul Bailey, Berrien County, spoke about recruiting employees for the Sheriff’s Office.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 A.M.

R. McKinley Elliott, Chairperson

Sharon J. Tyler, County Clerk

Minutes are to be approved at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.