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MORNING SESSION**JUNE 23, 2022 SESSION - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL**

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, met in the Board Room of the County Services Building in the Township of Allegan on June 23, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of June 9, 2022, and rules of this board; Chairman Storey presiding.

The Chief Deputy Clerk led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Upon roll call the following members answered as Commissioners for the respective Districts:

DIST #1	DEAN KAPENGA	DIST #5	TOM JESSUP
DIST #2	JIM STOREY	DIST #6	GALE DUGAN
DIST #3	MAX THIELE	DIST #7	RICK CAIN
DIST #4	MARK DeYOUNG		

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - COMMENTS

2/ Chairman Storey opened the meeting to public participation and the following individuals offered comments:

1. Jim Wisnieski from Salem Township addressed the Board with information regarding the benefits of solar panels
2. Rachelle Smit of Martin Township introduced herself and informed the Board of Commissioners that she is running for State Representative for the 43rd District.

AGENDA - ADOPTED AS PRESENTED

3/ Moved by Commissioner Kapenga, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 7 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

AUTO INSURANCE REFORM

4/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to take the auto insurance reform off the table. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 7 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

Commissioners discussed the proposed resolution to support amendment to the Michigan Auto Insurance Reform Act.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to receive a legislative report regarding auto insurance reform. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: Kapenga, Storey, DeYoung and Dugan. Nays: Thiele, Jessup and Cain.

Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to call the question. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: Kapenga, Storey, DeYoung, Jessup and Dugan. Nays: Thiele and Cain.

Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to table the Auto Insurance Reform resolution pending a response from Senator Nesbitt. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 7 votes Nays: 0 votes

BREAK - 11:20 A.M.

5/ Upon reconvening at 11:30 A.M., the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Kapenga, Storey, Thiele, DeYoung, Jessup, Dugan and Cain. Absent: None.

WATER AND SEWER PROJECTS UPDATE

6/ Administrator Sarro presented an update for the water and sewer project.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, second by Commissioner Cain to accept the following language to be inserted into the letter. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: Kapenga, Storey, DeYoung, Jessup, Dugan and Cain. Nays: Thiele.

Water Quality/Availability Projects

Through input from local units, it is noted that some areas within the County do have accessible and reliable broadband, primarily in the cities where population may be denser. As such, broadband expansion may not be the top priority for those local units. Upon demonstrating reliable broadband is highly accessible (at least 90%|95% availability by provider maps or other reliable data) to households and businesses within a local unit, a local unit may submit a request for County ARPA funds for an already planned “shovel-ready” water quality/availability project. I

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the letter as presented with modifications for distribution. Motion carried by roll call: Yeas: Kapenga, Storey, DeYoung, Jessup, Dugan and Cain. Nays: Thiele.

Allegan County
Administrator
Robert J. Sarro



County Services Building
 3283 – 122nd Avenue
 Allegan, MI 49010
 269.673.0203

MEMORANDUM

June 24, 2022

TO: Allegan County Local Units

FROM: Robert J. Sarro, County Administrator

CC: Jill Dunham, Broadband Project Manager
 Randy Rapp, Environmental Health Manager

RE: **ARPA Update/Broadband & Water Study Projects (Shovel Ready)**

Project Updates:

On May 20, 2021, Allegan County posted a public notice to solicit input on potential uses of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Based on that process and information collected through venues (e.g. studies, citizen surveys, meeting participation) Broadband and Water Quality/Availability were selected as the focus areas for use of ARPA funds and were adopted as part of the County's strategic plan. Subsequently, a Water Study Workgroup (WSW) and Broadband Action Workgroup (BAW) were established.

Broadband

On August 8, 2021, the BAW held its first meeting. Currently, the BAW meets twice a month on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month @ 4PM.

Since the BAW convened last August, it has been working hard on a comprehensive strategy to develop a county-wide broadband plan. Steps taken, or currently in progress, include:

- The BAW assisted County Administration in hiring a Project Manager. Jill Dunham, Broadband Project Manager, has been leading the project since February 2022.
- Jill has met with many local units, if not all, through individual and collective meetings. This helped create an understanding of the status of broadband projects throughout the County.
- The BAW has hosted various presentation opportunities for area providers to share their plans for broadband expansion and the current status of their services.
- A survey has been deployed to seek input on broadband accessibility and reliability from the view of citizens. To date, over 1,500 responses have been received.
- A request for proposal (RFP) for county-wide broadband expansion has been in development and is set to be released in the coming months. The release is contingent upon receipt of data from the Connect Michigan initiative. Connect Michigan is currently in the County collecting data relating to the availability of

broadband infrastructure and services. An estimated date for release of the data by Connect Michigan has not been provided.

Based on input received over the past several months, significant gaps in reliable broadband accessibility still remain, particularly in less dense areas of the County. Generally, local level plans have not been developed to address these gaps and there are not “shovel-ready” projects waiting for implementation. As such, the County-wide RFP is the best approach to expand broadband and develop a comprehensive plan to do so.

However, the County has identified an area (Lee Township) that has put extensive efforts prior to ARPA to develop a plan for broadband expansion and is ready for implementation once funding is received. On June 9, 2022, the Board of Commissioners, in an effort to avoid duplication of efforts, earmarked County ARPA funds for Lee Township up to the amount of local ARPA funds Lee Township received. The goal is to leverage these joint funds to acquire additional funding through the state and federal governments. Lee’s plans will be included in the county-wide comprehensive plan. With this decision, the Board is opening the opportunity to all Allegan County local units to notify the County of a shovel-ready broadband project that a local unit may have already planned and may not have been brought to the County’s attention (see Local Project Funding section).

If a broadband project does not already exist at the local unit level, planned and ready-to-go, a local unit may automatically be included in the county-wide RFP and County ARPA funds may be allocated through that process to expand broadband in that area.

Water Study

On February 4, 2022, the WSW held its first meeting. Currently the WSW meets twice a month on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 2PM.

Since the WSW convened in February, it has been working hard on a comprehensive strategy to address water quality and availability in Allegan County. Steps taken, or currently in progress, include:

- Review and consideration of local projects, studies, efforts and potential for individual well replacement/repair.
- Review of the County’s groundwater quality and availability study (Phase 1).
- Development of a recommendation to proceed with a groundwater quality and availability study/screening (Phase II) – Approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 9.
- Development of recommendation to proceed with groundwater monitoring wells – Approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 9.
- Establishing goals and timelines for the development of a county-wide short and long range plan for water quality and availability. This plan will assist in endeavors to apply for additional state and federal funding opportunities.

Local Project Funding:

Procedurally, if a local unit has a shovel-ready broadband or water project (if the local unit has at least 90% broadband availability), they may submit those to the workgroup project manager listed in the applicable section below. Submitted projects **must**:

1. align with goals (Attachment A) set by the County through its Strategic Plan established for each workgroup (alignment will be determined at the County's sole discretion),
2. be shovel-ready (funding that would move the project forward quickly), this means the project must already be past the planning phase and ready to immediately proceed to implementation once funding is secured (e.g. engineered plans are already developed, bidding documents are already developed),
3. be subject to the following financial provisions:
 - a. expenses related to projects or phases of a project that were incurred prior to March 3, 2021, will not be eligible;
 - b. all funds will be distributed in strict adherence with ARPA requirements, in the most administratively efficient manner at the determination of the County and commensurate with the nature of the particular project (e.g. funds may be distributed to the local unit with an interlocal agreement or directly to a vendor/service provider via agreement);
 - c. any project expenses covered by County ARPA funds must be obligated by December 2024 and expensed by December 2026;
 - d. a contribution of local unit funds is required, (ARPA, General Fund, or Special Revenue Funds, no external funding sources such as grants will be matched);
 - i. The County may, at its determination, provide a match (1 to 1 match not to exceed the ARPA amount your local unit received **or** the local unit contribution, whichever is less).
 - ii. The County will only use County ARPA funds towards project funding match requests to the limit of available County ARPA funds.
4. be requested by **July 29, 2022**. All project requests will be reviewed and considered by **September 9, 2022**.

Upon receipt of a request, the project manager will place on the applicable workgroup's meeting agenda for review and recommendation. The recommendation of the workgroup, and County Administration (generally these are coordinated through the workgroup meetings) will be sent to the Board of Commissioners for final consideration.

Broadband

If your local unit has a shovel-ready broadband project ready to immediately implement, and the project meets the eligibility listed above, please contact:

Broadband Project Manager:

Jill Dunham

jdunham@allegancounty.org

3283 122nd Avenue

Allegan, MI 49010

(269) 673-0588

Water Quality/Availability Projects

Through input from local units, it is noted that some areas within the County do have accessible and reliable broadband, primarily in the cities where population may be denser. As such, broadband expansion may not be the top priority for those local units. Upon demonstrating reliable broadband is highly accessible (at least 90% availability by provider maps or other reliable data) to households and businesses within a local unit, a

local unit may submit a request for County ARPA funds for an already planned “shovel-ready” water quality/availability project.

Funding requests for groundwater and water-related projects (including sewer to the degree such project will impact water quality) must demonstrate an enhancement of, protection of, improvements to, or mitigation of groundwater quality and/or groundwater quantity (availability) and be submitted to

Environment Health Manager:

Randy Rapp
rrapp@allegancounty.org
 3255 122nd Avenue
 Allegan, MI 49010
 (269) 673-5411

along with the following information:

1. Requestor information. Include the name of the local unit of government requesting the funds, and the name and contact information of the person authorized to make such a request on behalf of the local unit of government. Note that any infrastructure proposed to be installed under this request must be owned by the requesting unit of government.
2. Project Description. Include all pertinent information necessary to describe the scope of the project. Such information must include (as applicable), but is not limited to, items such as population affected by the project, sewer related specifications, number of customers affected, well flow rates, pipe length, location, etc. Maps and diagrams should be included.

Note: Requestors who have previously submitted requests to the County need not re-submit the Project Description. However, all other items 3 through 5 are requested to be submitted to insure that the County has a complete package.

3. Impact to Water Quality and Quantity. Provide a narrative justifying how the proposed project will enhance, protect, improve or mitigate water quality, and/or water quantity (availability). Requests that cannot demonstrate this criteria will not be considered for funding.
4. Project Schedule. Provide estimated project start and completion. Include design and construction as separate dates if applicable. Identify when the funds are desired to be appropriated.
5. Funding Ask. State the exact amount of funds requested. Provide a cost estimate with line items to justify the amount of funds requested. Include in the cost estimate only those line items directly related to the impact to water quality and quantity. Example: if the request is for a water supply line, do not include in the cost estimate line items for road paving, guardrails, sidewalk repair, etc.

Please contact my office if you have questions or concerns regarding this process.

Thank you!

Broadband Action Workgroup Goals:

- Step 1 – Upon verification of eligibility through the ARPA funds or identification/allocation of alternative funds, hire a directly employed or contracted project lead (and possibly team) to lead the project and deliver results for Board approved Specific, Measurable, Actionable, Realistic, Time-based (S.M.A.R.T.) goals.
- Step 2 – Consider partners, technical professionals, and other stakeholders to serve as an advisory resource to the project team.
- Step 3 – Gather necessary and relevant data to form S.M.A.R.T. goals.
- Step 4 – Consider plans, proposals, legislative initiatives and other resources to establish and implement plans for increased accessibility.

Water Study Workgroup Tasks and Deliverables:

1. Review the final Allegan County Groundwater Study, conducted by Hydrosimulatics, Inc. and submitted to the Board on March 25, 2021.
2. Provide regular updates to the Board and a final written summary of observations and recommendations of the workgroup, within one-year of the appointment of its members, relative to the study content (and any other aspects of Allegan County's current and future state relative to water quality, including recommendations for how the County (as a geographic area) should proceed with next steps (if any) and provide particular focus on Hydrosimulatics, Inc. recommendation to pursue an interactive Decision Support System. All recommendations must be specific as to the management/oversight model, funding, root need/issue to be addressed and expected results of any next steps to be considered.
3. The Allegan County Health Department will participate in the discussions of the work group and will provide administrative support, guidance and expertise.
4. As an ad-hoc workgroup, the work of the group will be considered complete upon the delivery of item number 2 above.

2023 BUDGET - FUNDING PARAMETERS

7/ Administrator Sarro discussed budget funding for 2023. Discussion followed and Commissioners requested that Administration provide budget proposals for review at a future meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

8/ Chairman Storey opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments from the public, he closed the meeting to public participation.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL JUNE 23, 2022 AT 9:00 A.M.

9/ Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung to adjourn until July 14, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. The motion carried by roll call vote and the meeting was adjourned at 11:53 A.M. Yeas: 7 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

AFTERNOON SESSION**JUNE 23, 2022 SESSION - INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL**

10/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, met in the Board Room of the County Services Building in the Township of Allegan on June 23, 2022 at 1:00 P.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of June 9, 2022, and rules of this Board; Vice Chairman Kapenga presiding.

The invocation was offered by District #6 Commissioner Dugan.

The Chief Deputy County Clerk led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Upon roll call the following members answered as Commissioners for the respective Districts:

DIST #1	DEAN KAPENGA	DIST #5	TOM JESSUP
DIST #2	JIM STOREY - Absent	DIST #6	GALE DUGAN
DIST #3	MAX THIELE	DIST #7	RICK CAIN
DIST #4	MARK DeYOUNG		

COMMUNICATIONS

11/ Chief Deputy Clerk Porter noted to the board that they received the following resolutions:

1. Resolutions from Cass, Cheboygan, Iosco and Missaukee counties opposing Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731, 4732
2. Berrien County resolution recognizing Juneteenth as a holiday for 2022

JUNE 9, 2022 SESSION MINUTES - ADOPTED

12/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Cain to approve the minutes for the June 9, 2022 session as distributed. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

13/ Vice Chairman Kapenga opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments from the public, he closed the meeting to public participation.

AGENDA - ADOPTED AS PRESENTED

14/ Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Cain to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.

INFORMATIONAL SESSION - PROBATE COURT

15/ Probate Register Jonathon Blair presented the 2021 Annual Report for the Allegan County Probate Court.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

16/ Administrator Sarro noted his written report was submitted to Commissioners.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - CLAIMS & INTERFUND TRANSFERS

17/ WHEREAS, Administration has compiled the following claims for June 17, 2022 and June 24, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the following claims, which are chargeable against the County, were audited in accordance with Section 46.61 to 46.63, inclusive, M.C.L. 1970 as amended and resolutions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, said claims are listed in the 2022 Claims folder of the Commissioners' Record of Claims.

June 17, 2022

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund – 101	85,531.87	85,531.87	
Park/Recreation Fund - 208	3,746.74	3,746.74	
Friend of the Court - Coop. Reimb. – 215	243.64	243.64	
Friend of the Court – Other - 216	774.25	774.25	
Brownfield Redevelopment Auth. - 243	224,100.00	224,100.00	
Register of Deeds Automation Fund - 256	134.16	134.16	
Indigent Defense Fund - 260	15,464.00	15,464.00	
Justice Training Fund - 266	1,290.38	1,290.38	
Sheriffs Contract – Wayland Township - 286	1,232.07	1,232.07	
Transportation Fund – 288	220.86	220.86	
Child Care Fund - 292	4,126.07	4,126.07	
Veterans Relief Fund - 293	43.95	43.95	
Senior Services Fund - 298	20,424.13	20,424.13	
Capital Improvement Fund - 401	9,081.01	9,081.01	
CIP – Youth Home Building Fund – 492	1,910.25	1,910.25	
Tax Reversion - 620	14,524.00	14,524.00	
Fleet Management/Motor Pool - 661	66.02	66.02	
Self-Insurance Fund - 677	83.75	83.75	
Drain Fund - 801	46,931.96	46,931.96	

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$429,929.11	\$429,929.11	
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June 24, 2022

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund – 101	26,623.46	26,623.46	
Friend of the Court - Coop. Reimb. – 215	3,763.54	3,763.54	
Health Department Fund -221	25,927.24	25,927.24	
Solid Waste/Recycling - 226	66,919.13	66,919.13	
Brownfield Redevelopment Auth. - 243	1,885.00	1,885.00	
Multi-Agency Collab. Committee - 245	523.83	523.83	
Animal Shelter - 254	6,631.00	6,631.00	
Register of Deeds Automation Fund - 256	544.28	544.28	
Palisades Fund - 257	549.24	549.24	
Indigent Defense Fund - 260	1,228.02	1,228.02	
Grants - 279	920.00	920.00	
Transportation Fund – 288	80,741.93	80,741.93	
Child Care Fund - 292	6,454.86	6,454.86	
Senior Services Fund - 298	161,129.01	161,129.01	
Capital Improvement Fund - 401	3,929.80	3,929.80	
Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund - 516	177.00	177.00	
Self-Insurance Fund - 677	20,000.00	20,000.00	
Drain Fund - 801	1,422.43	1,422.43	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$409,369.77	\$409,369.77	

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners adopts the report of claims for June 17, 2022 and June 24, 2022.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to adopt the report of claims for June 17, 2022 and June 24, 2022. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS—APPROVE DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

18/ WHEREAS, in accordance with the County's Medical Examiner Services Contract the Allegan County Board of Commissioners (Board) must approve Deputy Medical Examiners designated by the Contractor.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the Chief Medical Examiner's designation of Dr. Ed Donoghue effective June 27, 2022, and Dr. Anna Tart effective August 22, 2022, as Deputy Allegan County Medical Examiners; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Dr. Elizabeth Douglas is removed from her previous appointment of Deputy Medical Examiner of Allegan County effective June 3, 2022 due to resignation.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.

INFORMATION SERVICES – AWARD CISCO NETWORK SWITCH PROCUREMENT

19/ **WHEREAS**, \$28,000 was budgeted in the 2022 Information Services Operational budget (#101-228) for network switch replacement; and

WHEREAS, given the large number of switches needing replacement this year, an additional \$25,000 in capital funds was requested and appropriated by the Board of Commissioners in 2022 (#401 – CIP Public Improvements Fund); and

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited to confirm that Sentinel Technologies is able to offer the County preferred pricing on CISCO network switches which exceeds the discounts offered through the State MiDEAL cooperative purchasing agreement from other vendors; and

WHEREAS, the cost for ten switches including seven year licensing is \$59,420 of which \$8,348.47 in licensing costs for years two through six can be spread to future budgets reducing the total 2022 expenditures to \$51,071.43 which is less than the \$53,000 in available 2022 capital funds.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners awards the quote to Sentinel Technologies, Inc. P.O. Box 85080 Chicago, IL 60680 for the not to exceed cost of \$59,420 for the procurement of ten network switches and licenses (Project #1018-22); and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Administrator and/or the Board Chairman are authorized to negotiate a final contract and sign the necessary documents on behalf of the County and that the Executive Director of Finance is authorized to make the necessary budget adjustments to complete this action.

Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Dugan to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF WESTERN MICHIGAN (AAWM)—APPROVE MULTIYEAR PLAN (MYP) FY2023-2025

20/ **WHEREAS**, the Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan's Multi-Year Plan (MYP) will secure funding for services and programs to help older adults in Allegan County from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the MYP will be presented before the AAWM Board of Directors on June 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2022, the Allegan County's Commission on Aging (COA) reviewed this plan and recommends the Board approve the MYP.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with all statutes and policies governing the AAWM, the Allegan County Board of Commissioners supports the MYP for FY2023-25, as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Cain to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS—OPPOSE HOUSE BILLS 4729, 4730, 4731, 4732

21/ **WHEREAS**, Zillow has spearheaded legislation to undermine the integrity of the Register of Deeds and Treasurer Offices across the State of Michigan,

which will greatly reduce revenues needed to fund the daily operation of both offices; and

WHEREAS, Zillow, a for profit corporation, is lobbying the State of Michigan legislature to pass legislation that will provide them copies of any official records maintained by both the Register of Deeds' and the Treasurers' offices at an insignificant fee or, in some cases, 100% free of charge; and

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, Zillow will have the ability to demand the manner in which the Register of Deeds and Treasurer must provide copies of official records; and

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, they would impose new restrictions and limits on what the Register of Deeds and Treasurer Offices can charge for parcel cards; and

WHEREAS, the burden to fund the Register of Deeds and the Treasury Departments would fall more heavily on the taxpayers of Allegan County due to providing official records to out-of-state entities and corporate organizations; and

WHEREAS, Zillow will profit on selling publicly owned records, provided to them free of charge, while at the same time placing Allegan County and other Michigan residents at a higher risk for fraud and theft; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties, the Michigan Association of County Treasurers, Michigan Association of County Clerks, the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, and bipartisan organizations, are united in opposing Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731, 4732.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Allegan County Board of Commissioners stand in solidarity with the Allegan County Clerk/Register of Deeds and the Allegan County Treasurer to oppose Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731, 4732 and stand up to corporations that data-mine and benefit financially from public records at the expense of the taxpayers; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution in opposition to the above bills be forwarded to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, Majority Leader of the Michigan Senate, Senator Nesbitt, Representative Johnson, Representative Whiteford, the Michigan Association of Counties, the Michigan Association of County Treasurers, the Michigan Association of County Clerks, the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, and the Michigan Municipal League.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Cain to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

22/ Vice Chairman Kapenga opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments from the public, he closed the meeting to public participation.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

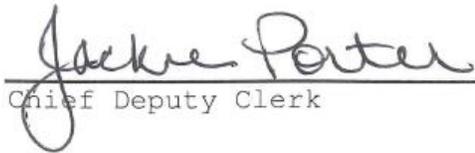
23/ Commissioner Thiele requested to add Energy Independence/Solar Panel Farm as a future agenda item.

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ADJOURNMENT UNTIL JULY 14, 2022 AT 1:00 P.M.

24/ Moved by Commissioner Cain, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to adjourn until July 14, 2022 at 1:00 P.M. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 1:51 P.M. Yeas: 6 votes. Nays: 0 votes. Absent: 1 vote.



Chief Deputy Clerk



Board Chairperson

Minutes approved during the 07/14/2022 Session