



# Newaygo County Board of Commissioners

Health, Education & Human Services Committee

MINUTES

August 24, 2022

10:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER	James Maike, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT	Brenda Bird, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike
AGENDA - MOTION NO.	22-331
Motion by Brenda Bird, second by Mike Kruithoff, to approve the Agenda of August 24, 2022. Ayes – Brenda Bird, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.	
PUBLIC COMMENT	None
MINUTES – MOTION NO.	22-332
Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Brenda Bird, to approve the Health, Education & Human Services Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of July 27, 2022. Ayes – Brenda Bird, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.	
DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Steven Cain, Veteran Affairs
The following departmental updates were reported:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>PACT Act</b> – The Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act expands and extends eligibility for VA health care for Veterans with toxic exposures; adds more than 20 new presumptive conditions for burn pits, adds more presumptive-exposure locations for Agent Orange and radiation; requires VA to provide a toxic exposure screening to every Veteran enrolled in VA health care; helps improve research, staff education, and treatment related to toxic exposures.</li> <li>• <b>Transportation</b> – Volunteer driver Patrick Decker is available for Veterans of all wartime eras.</li> <li>• <b>Veterans Affairs Committee</b> – The Veterans Affairs Committee has processed 35 Soldiers and Sailors Relief Fund applications, 9 Peace Time Relief Fund applications, and 16 Michigan Veterans Trust Fund Applications to date from the start of FY 2022.</li> </ul>	
DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Brad Hinken, COA Director
The following departmental updates were reported:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the process of hiring a Secretary and Program &amp; Community Relations Coordinator.</li> <li>• Received a request from the Newaygo Farmer’s Market to provide older adults bus transportation to the market on Friday afternoons.</li> <li>• Plans to participate in the Fremont Harvest Festival Parade on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.</li> </ul>	
NEW BUSINESS MOTION NO	22-333
Motion by Brenda Bird, second by Mike Kruithoff, to recommend to the Finance Committee to approve the agreement for Extension Services provided by Michigan State University effective October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023, and authorized he Chairman of the Board to sign any and all of the necessary documents pertaining to the agreement. Ayes – Brenda Bird, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.	
NEW BUSINESS MOTION NO	22-334

Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Brenda Bird, to recommend to the Finance Committee to approve the following for Newaygo County's 2023 health insurance plan year:

- Make no changes to the health insurance, dental and vision plans for eligible employees; and
- Bi-weekly payroll deductions for full-time employees enrolled in Plan 1 will change slightly to \$22.00 single, \$50.00 double, \$62.00 family. There will continue to be no payroll deduction for Plan 2; and
- Contribute \$500 single/\$1,000 double & family towards employees' flex accounts under Plan 1. Contribute \$750 single/\$1500 double & family towards employees' HSA accounts under Plan 2. Contributions will be prorated based on health insurance eligibility; and
- Pre-65 retirees will be offered the same health plans as active employees. Any health care premiums owed by the retiree will change with the applicable renewal rates.

Ayes – Brenda Bird, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.

<b>ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</b>	Christopher Wren, County Administrator
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue to look in to improving Health Insurance plans and options for the future.</li></ul>
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	None
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	Brenda Bird, Commissioner
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Would like Brad Hinken, COA Director to reach out to the MSU Extension as they have many available resources.</li></ul>
<b>ADJOURNMENT – MOTION NO.</b>	22-335
	Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Brenda Bird, to adjourn the meeting at 10:57 a.m. Ayes – Brenda Bird, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.
<b>COUNTY CLERK CERTIFICATION</b>	
<b>CHAIRPERSON CERTIFICATION</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	September 28, 2022