



Newaygo County Board of Commissioners

Health, Education & Human Services Committee

MINUTES

March 27, 2024

10:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER James Maike called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT Mike Kruihoff, Brenda Bird, James Maike

AGENDA - MOTION NO. 24-114
Motion by Brenda Bird, second by Mike Kruihoff, to approve the agenda of March 27, 2024. Ayes – Mike Kruihoff, Brenda Bird, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

MINUTES – MOTION NO. 24-115
Motion by Mike Kruihoff, second by Brenda Bird, to approve the Health, Education & Human Services Committee regular meeting minutes February 27, 2024. Ayes – Mike Kruihoff, Brenda Bird, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE Steven Cain, Veteran Affairs
The following departmental updates were reported per written report:

- **VSO Staff Update** – VSO Ray Buyers is working 20 hours per week for the department. He has signed up for the Federal Basic Benefits Training taking place in April.
- **Veterans Affairs Committee** – The Veterans Affairs Committee has processed 11 Soldiers and Sailors Relief Fund applications, 7 Peace Time Relief Fund applications, and 4 Michigan Veterans Trust Fund Applications to date from the start of FY 2024.
- **Housing Resources** – Dept Leader Cain continues to serve as an advisory board member to the Hope 101 transitional housing program.

MOTION NUMBER 24-116
Motion by Mike Kruihoff, second by Brenda Bird, to recommend to the Finance Committee to approve the Commission on Aging’s participation in the 2024 MDHHS Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program and authorize the Commission on Aging Director to sign any and all of the necessary documents. Ayes – Mike Kruihoff, Brenda Bird, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE Brad Hinken, COA Director
The following departmental updates were reported:

- Planning on putting a renewed emphasis on filling food service positions.
- The Potato Day Open House was held on March 15th. 580 meals were served.
- The proposals for Computer Aided Dispatch and Scheduling Software will be received and reviewed in April.

OLD BUSINESS MOTION NO 24-117
Motion by Brenda Bird, second by Mike Kruihoff, to recommend to the Finance Committee to eliminate Human Resources Policy #38; Contagious Disease Policy effective immediately. Ayes – Mike Kruihoff, Brenda Bird, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT	Administrator Christopher Wren
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recently met with the Insurance Pool and am excited for the opportunities it provides. Met with Gallagher our insurance consultant to discuss strategic plan.
PUBLIC COMMENT	None
ADJOURNMENT – MOTION NO.	24-118
	Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Brenda Bird, to adjourn the meeting at 11:04 a.m. Ayes – Mike Kruithoff, Brenda Bird, James Maike. Nays – none. Motion carried.
COUNTY CLERK CERTIFICATION	Jason Vanderstelt, County Clerk
CHAIRPERSON CERTIFICATION	James Maike, Committee Chair
DATE	April 24, 2024