



Newaygo County Board of Commissioners

Physical & Economic Development Committee

MINUTES

April 3, 2024

10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER	Meeting called to order by Commissioner Charles Trapp, Chair, at 10:03 a.m.
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MEMBERS PRESENT	Ken DeLaat, Mike Kruithoff, Charles Trapp
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AGENDA - MOTION NUMBER	24-124
Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Ken DeLaat, to approve the agenda of April 3, 2024. Ayes – Ken DeLaat, Mike Kruithoff, Charles Trapp. Nays - none. Motion carried.	

PUBLIC COMMENT	None
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MINUTES – MOTION NUMBER	24-125
Motion by Ken DeLaat, second by Mike Kruithoff, to approve the Physical & Economic Development Committee meeting minutes of March 6, 2024. Ayes – Ken DeLaat, Mike Kruithoff, Charles Trapp. Nays - none. Motion carried.	

DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Julie Burrell, Economic Development Director
Economic Development updates include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Received \$1,000 investment from the River Country Chamber of Commerce. Attended the Employer Childcare Summit in New Era. Attended the Impact Investing Strategic planning meeting with the Fremont Area Community Foundation. 	

DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Darrick VanBoven, Maintenance Supervisor
Maintenance updates included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performed quarterly sprinkler inspections with Vanguard. Replaced various lights and fixtures on the campus. Moved boxes to DHHS from the Clerk’s Office. 	

DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Nick Smith, Parks Director
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dragon Trail – The last bridges will be ordered soon. Met with the DNR Grants Division at the conference and agreed to combine the required ribbon cutting for both grants with the Dragon Grand opening later this summer. 2024 Sales – The credit card sales are up 1.6% over last year with most seasonal sites already full. Staffing – Filled all the spots for this year and are finishing up the pre-hire paperwork. 	

DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Dale Twing, Drain Commissioner
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup Day is May 18th from 8am – 2pm. Volunteers needed. Tire clean-up day will be June 15th from 8am-noon. 	

DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Equalization
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None. 	

DEPARTMENT UPDATE	IT Department
IT updates included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed 155 tickets. • Assisted with the setup of the final Jail Classroom Testing stations. • Continued to update PCs to Windows 11. 	
NEW BUSINESS MOTION NO	24-126
Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Ken DeLaat, to recommend to the Finance Committee to enter into an agreement with Placer.ai for a 15-month Software Agreement, to start no later than October 1, 2024, at an amount not to exceed \$29,900.00, and authorize the County Administrator to sign any and all of the necessary documents. Ayes – Ken DeLaat, Mike Kruithoff, Charles Trapp. Nays - none. Motion carried.	
ADMINISTRATOR REPORT	Administrator Christopher Wren
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are currently a lot of projects in the works. 	
PUBLIC COMMENT	Nick Smith, Parks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excited for the Placier.ai and the opportunities that it presents. 	
MISCELLANEOUS	None
ADJOURN – MOTION NUMBER	24-127
Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Ken DeLaat, to adjourn the meeting at 10:39 a.m. Ayes – Ken DeLaat, Mike Kruithoff, Charles Trapp. Nays - none. Motion carried.	
COUNTY CLERK CERTIFICATION	Jason VanderStelt, County Clerk
CHAIRPERSON CERTIFICATION	Charles Trapp, Committee Chair
DATE	May 1, 2024