

**GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**September 9, 2020**

**County Courthouse**

**Bessemer, MI 49911**

**5:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Siirila. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present: (7) Bonovetz, Byrns, Laabs, Lorenson  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**Absent: (0) None**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** (August 26, 2020 meeting minutes)

**A motion** was made by Bonovetz, supported by Lorenson to approve the minutes as presented.

**Roll Call:**

**YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Lorenson, Bonovetz,  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**No: (0) None**

**Motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**A motion** was made by Bonovetz, supported by Lorenson to approve the agenda as presented.

**Roll Call:**

**YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Lorenson, Bonovetz,  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**No: (0) None**

**Motion carried.**

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**(5-minute limit)**

There were none.

**APPEARANCES:**

1. Heidi DeRosso, Emergency Manager/9-1-1 Coordinator  
(RE: EMPG Grant and FY21 9-1-1 Budget)

Heidi DeRosso presented the approved 9-1-1 operating budget for FY21 along with the EMPG Grant application for approval. **A motion** was made by Lorenson, supported by Peterson to receive and place on file the FY21 9-1-1 budget and approve the grant application and authorize the Chairman to sign the documents.

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**Roll Call:**

**YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Lorenson, Bonovetz,  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**No: (0) None**

**Motion carried.**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. John Frello, Veterans Service Officer  
(RE: Grant opportunity)

**A motion** was made by Bonovetz, supported by Orlich to approve of the application for the FY21 County Veteran Service Fund Grant and authorize the Chairman's signature on the documents.

**Roll Call:**

**YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Lorenson, Bonovetz,  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**No: (0) None**

**Motion carried.**

2. Charly Loper, City of Bessemer, Manager  
(RE: 5-year Master Plan)

**A motion** was made by Lorenson, supported by Bonovetz to receive the communication, and place it on file.

**Roll Call:**

**YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Lorenson, Bonovetz,  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**No: (0) None**

**Motion carried.**

3. Mike Harma, Airport Manager  
(RE: MDOT Grant)

**A motion** was made by Bonovetz, supported by Laabs to move forward with the grant application and authorize the Chairman's electronic signature on the documents.

**OTHER MATTERS:**

There were none.

**ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES:**

Administrator Juliane Giackino advised the Board to set a public hearing for the FY21 General Fund Budget and Budget Resolution.

**A motion** was made by Bonovetz, supported by Peterson to set Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. for the public hearing.

**Roll Call:**

**YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Lorenson, Bonovetz,  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**No: (0) None**

**Motion carried.**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT (5-minute limit)**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion** was made by Orlich, supported by Peterson to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

**Roll Call:**

**YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Lorensen, Bonovetz,  
Orlich, Peterson, Siirila**

**No: (0) None**

**Motion carried.**

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Dan Siirila, Chairman

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Gerry R. Pelissero, Clerk