

MONTCALM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
Monday, January 3, 2022
9:00 AM

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Carr at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Commissioners Miller, Painter, Beach, Johnston, Carr, Baker, Bresnahan and Petersen.
Members absent: Commissioner Kohn.

Others present: Kristen Millard, Brenda Taeter, Michelle Becker, Helen Kennedy, Elisabeth Waldon and John Johansen.

The first order of business was the election of a Vice-Chairperson for the ensuing year. Chairman Carr stated that he would now accept nominations for Vice-Chairperson. Commissioner Miller placed the name of Adam Petersen in nomination. Moved by Commissioner Miller, supported by Commissioner Painter to appoint Adam Petersen as Vice-Chairperson for the ensuing year. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johnston, supported by Commissioner Miller to adopt the Board of Commissioners Meeting Schedule as proposed by the County Controller with meeting times at 4 p.m.

**MONTCALM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
2022 MEETING SCHEDULE**

All meetings to begin at 4:00 p.m. in the Jack VanHarn Board of Commissioners Room.

Monday, January 24	Monday, July 25
Monday, February 28	Monday, August 22
Monday, March 28	Monday, September 26
Monday, April 25	Monday, October 24
Monday, May 23	Monday, November 21
Monday, June 27	Monday, December 19

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings to begin at 4:00 p.m. in the Jack VanHarn Board of Commissioners Room.

Monday, January 10	Monday, July 11
Monday, February 14	Monday, August 8
Monday, March 14	Monday, September 12
Monday, April 11	Tuesday, October 11
Monday, May 9	Monday, November 7
Monday, June 13	Monday, December 5

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Miller, supported by Commissioner Petersen to re-appoint Commissioners Carr, Beach, Baker and Petersen to the Collective Bargaining Committee as regular committee members, and Commissioners Miller and Kohn as alternates, with Commissioner Baker serving as Collective Bargaining Chairperson. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen, supported by Commissioner Miller to accept the 2022 committee assignments as discussed during the meeting:

Committee

911 Authority Board
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ASCET Board of Directors
AAAWM Board of Directors
Brownfield Authority
Commission on Aging Executive Board
Commission on Aging Executive Board
Community Corrections Advisory Board
Conservation District
EightCap Governing Board
Great Start Collaborative
Greater Greenville Transportation
Greater Greenville Transportation, Alternate
Housing Commission
Ionia Montcalm Department of Human Services Agency Board
Ionia Montcalm Department of Human Services Agency Board – Alternate
Mid-Michigan District Health Board of Directors
Mid-Michigan District Health Board of Directors
Montcalm Care Network
Montcalm Care Network
Montcalm County Emergency Food & Shelter Board
Northern Michigan Counties Association
Northern Michigan Counties Association – Alternate
Planning Commission
Prison Liaison Committee
MSHN SIC Oversight Policy Board
Solid Waste Management Planning Committee
Solid Waste Management Planning Committee – Regional Planning
Substance Abuse Advisory Council
West Michigan Regional Planning Commission – private sector
West Michigan Regional Planning Commission – public sector
West Michigan Regional Planning Commission
West Michigan Regional Planning Commission –CEDS private sector
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Veterans Advisory Board

2022 Appointment

Eric Smith
Pat Carr
Brenda Taeter
Ron Baker
Kathy Bresnahan
Ron Baker
Ron Baker
Kathy Bresnahan
Chris Johnston
Chris Johnston
Jeremy Miller
Kathy Bresnahan
Jeremy Miller
Scott Painter
Tom Lindeman
Chris Johnston
Michael Beach
Adam Petersen
Michael Beach
Chris Johnston
Kathy Bresnahan
John Johansen
Michael Beach
Scott Painter
Michael Beach
Chris Johnston
Scott Painter
Scott Painter
Chris Johnston
Kathy Bresnahan
Rob Spohr
Mike Scott
Brenda Taeter
Mike Scott
Olivia Bloomstrom
Michael Beach

Moved by Commissioner Johnston, supported by Commissioner Miller to appoint the 2022 committee Appointments:

2022 Committee Appointments

Area Agency of Aging of Western Michigan

David Lobert 12/31/2022

Commission on Aging Executive Board

Barbara Abrahamsen 12/31/2024

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Matt Nave 10/31/2023

Montcalm Care Network

Jeanne Hamilton 3/31/2025

Betty Kellenberger 3/31/2025

John Johansen 3/31/2025

Joshua Stump 3/31/2025

Montcalm Housing Commission

Christine Poprawski 2/15/2024

Peer Group

Kristine Saia 12/31/2022

Mark VanRaemdonck 12/31/2022

John Rauser 12/31/2022

Planning Commission

John Johansen 12/31/2024

Charles Hill 12/31/2024

Lonnie Smith 12/31/2024

Solid Waste Management Committee

Charles Hauser II 12/31/2023

Sarah Todd 12/31/2023

Roger Rockburn 12/31/2023

Mark Sabin 12/31/2023

Nancy Mills 12/31/2023

Darrin Dodd 12/31/2023

Gary Holland 12/31/2023

Lonnie Smith 12/31/2023

West Michigan Regional Medical Control Authority

Eric Smith 12/31/2022

Under discussion Commissioner Petersen asked what the status is regarding the County Library Board. Brenda Taeter, Controller/Administrator, informed the board that 6 individuals have expressed interest in serving on the Library Board, however the duties of that Board have not been outlined. Chairman Carr stated that he doesn't see the County Library Board having to do a significant amount of work, but he does believe that the board should report to the Board of Commissioners as to their millage and how that money is disbursed and utilized. It was decided that the topic of the County Library Board membership and duties would be discussed at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Beach, supported by Commissioner Painter to re-establish the County Library Board, consisting of 6 appointees, and to place the topic on the January, 2022, Committee of the Whole agenda to discuss the role of the Library Board. Motion carried.

Brenda Taeter, County Controller, presented the board with the proposed By-Laws and Rules of Procedure for the Montcalm County Board of Commissioners. Amendments were made to sections 1.5 Compensation and 4.3 Special Meetings.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen, supported by Commissioner Johnston to approve and adopt the Montcalm County Board of Commissioners By-Laws and Rules of Procedure as amended. Motion carried.

Chairman Carr stated that the Executive Session scheduled for today has been cancelled.

Brenda Taeter, Controller/Administrator, addressed the board regarding mileage reimbursement rules and asked for clarification. She stated that her understanding is that commissioners are paid mileage to attend appointed committee meetings or township meetings, however commissioners are not paid mileage to attend Committee of the Whole or Board of Commissioners meetings. The consensus of the Board was that this is correct, Commissioners are not paid mileage to attend the Committee of the Whole or Board of Commissioners meetings.

Public comments were offered. None were given.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen, supported by Commissioner Johnston to adjourn at 9:36 p.m. Motion carried.

Kristen Millard, County Clerk

Patrick Q. Carr, Chairman