

**CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING**

August 22, 2022

The Cass County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Monday, August 22, 2022, in Commission Chambers.

Chair Dyes called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Commissioner Marchetti provided the Invocation. Chair Dyes led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Clerk/Register Monica McMichael called roll:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Ryan Laylin, Skip Dyes, Roseann Marchetti and Jeremiah Jones.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Annie File, Robert Benjamin and Mike Grice.

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Matthew Newton, Finance Director Jennifer Rentfrow and Clerk/Register Monica McMichael.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Visitors present introduced themselves.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Laylin moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to approve the August 22, 2022, Cass County Board of Commissioner's Special Meeting Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

FY 23 PROPOSED BUDGET REVIEW/DISCUSSION

Commissioners directed budget questions to Finance Director Rentfrow and Administrator Newton.

Commissioner Marchetti questioned the \$1.8 million deficit in the proposed budget. Finance Director Rentfrow explained that the board made promises for salaries, benefits and other projects/agreements that cost money.

Finance Director Rentfrow informed commissioners that when budgeting for vacant positions, she budgeted for the worst possible scenario. That included the cost of family health insurance, which totaled \$20,000 per year. If a new hire did not require health coverage for a full family, that would reduce the budget.

Discussion continued regarding increasing revenues and seeking grants in order to offset the budget shortfall.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Laylin moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

Approved: _____
Date

Chair Skip Dyes

Monica McMichael, Clerk/Register