CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

July 10, 2025

The Cass County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, July 10, 2025, in Commission Chambers.

Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Chair Jones provided the Invocation. Commissioner Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Clerk/Register Monica McMichael called roll:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Tom Langley, James Lawrence, Alan Northrop, Jeremiah Jones, Michael Grice, Samuel Barrera, Roseann Marchetti and RJ Lee.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)

Public comment occurred.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Commissioner Marchetti added New Business item – discussion on moving the August regular board meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Marchetti moved, seconded by Commissioner Grice, to approve the July 10, 2025, Cass County Board of Commissioner's Agenda as amended. Motion carried by voice vote.

RECOGNITIONS

None.

PRESENTATIONS

Amanda Drew presented the Area Agency on Aging FY26 Annual Implementation Plan.

CONSENT AGENDA

Vice-Chair Lawrence moved, seconded by Commissioner Lee, that the following items be voted on at one time by roll call vote and be considered as a consent agenda by the Board of Commissioners:

(M-98-2025) A motion to approve claims dated 05/31/2025 to 06/0/2025 – 05/30/2025

(M-99-2025) A motion to approve June 5, 2025 meeting minutes

(M-100-2025) A motion to approve June 26, 2025 special meeting minutes

(M-101-2025) A motion to approve FY 26 Community Corrections Application

(M-102-2025) A motion to appoint Doug Westrick to the Community Corrections Advisory Board for a term ending September 30, 2029

(M-103-2025) A motion to approve budget adjustments

(R-14-2025) A resolution to adopt the 80/20 cost share under Michigan's PA 152

ACT 152 COMPLIANCE

WHEREAS, 2011 Public Act 152 (the "Act") was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the three options are as follows:

1) Section 3 - "Hard Caps" Option - limits a public employer's total annual health care costs for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
2) Section 4 – "80%/20%" Option – limits a public employer's share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the governing body;
3) Section 8 – "Exemption" Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by an annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;
WHEREAS, the Cass County has decided to adopt the 80%/20% option as its choice of compliance under the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Cass County Board of Commissioners to comply with the requirements of 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health

Insurance Contribution Act, by adopting the 80%/20% option for the medical benefit plan coverage year September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026.

(M-104-2025) A motion to approve amendment to the FOIA policy

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call roll:

Yes (8): Commissioners Langley, Lawrence, Northrop, Jones, Grice, Marchetti, Barrera and Lee.

No (0): None.

The Consent Agenda carried by roll call vote.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioners Jones and Marchetti offered committee reports.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Jordan provided the Administrator's Report.

COUNTY PARTNERS

None.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Drain Commissioner Jeff VanBelle, Judge Carol Bealor, Treasurer Hope Anderson, Prosecutor Victor Fitz and Clerk/Register Monica McMichael offered updates.

NEW BUSINESS

M-105-2025

Commissioner Marchetti moved, seconded by Commissioner Lee, to approve budget adjustment for jail repairs and fire safety upgrades. Motion carried by voice vote.

M-106-2025

Commissioner Marchetti moved, seconded by Commissioner Lee, to approve budget adjustment for EGLE Materials Management Planning Program Grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

MOTION

Commissioner Marchetti moved, seconded by Commissioner Barrera, to move the Regular Board Meeting from August 14, 2025, to August 7, 2025. Discussion followed. Commissioner Marchetti moved, seconded by Commissioner Barrera, to amend the motion to hold the regular board meeting on August 7, 2025, and the committee of the whole on August 21, 2025. Motion to amend carried by voice vote. Motion to approve the motion as amended carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Barrera shared a comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Jones adjourned the meeting at 5:51 p.m.

Approved: _____________
Date

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Chair Jeremiah Jones

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Monica McMichael, Clerk/Register