

**CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING**

October 17, 2024

The Cass County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Thursday, October 17, 2024, in Commission Chambers.

Chair Jeremiah Jones called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Clerk/Register Monica McMichael called roll:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: James Lawrence, Joyce Locke, Jeremiah Jones, Mary Howie and Roseann Marchetti.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Ryan Laylin, RJ Lee and Samuel Barrera.

PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Howie moved, seconded by Commissioner Marchetti, to approve the October 17, 2024, Cass County Board of Commissioner's Special Meeting Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

R-108-2024

Commissioner Lawrence moved, seconded by Commissioner Locke, to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2024 APPORTIONMENT REPORT PURSUANT TO MICHIGAN COMPILED LAW 211.37

WHEREAS, Michigan Compiled Law 211.36 requires each Township Clerk to submit to the County Clerk on, or before, September 30 each year a statement which sets forth the amount of money to be raised in the Township by taxation; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Compiled Law 211.37 requires the County Board of Commissioners to hold an apportionment session and approve an Apportionment Report in October of each year; and

WHEREAS, at the annual apportionment session, the County Board of Commissioners must examine documents and records submitted to the Board that show the amount of money to be raised by ad valorem levies in each Township for school, highway, Township, and all other purposes as authorized by law and authorize and require the correction of any defects or omissions with regard to those levies; and

WHEREAS, the action of the County Board of Commissioners concerning the spread of these levies is final, except in situations where a change is made to the equalization of the County through an equalization appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal; and

WHEREAS, the Apportionment Report approved by the County Board of Commissioners for 2024 will be the official authorization for its 59 taxing authorities within the County to levy property taxes in 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Equalization Department has prepared an Apportionment Report for consideration by the County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Apportionment Report, if approved, will provide final authorization for the levy of property taxes upon which taxing authorities depend to provide educational, health, economic development, public safety, and other services which are important to the well-being of the county's economy and Cass County residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the attached 2024 Apportionment Report showing the millage levies apportioned to various taxing authorities in Cass County for the year 2024 is hereby approved in accordance with Michigan Compiled Law 211.37; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cass County Board of Commissioners, under the authority of Michigan Compiled Law 211.37, directs that the millage rates specified in the attached 2024 Apportionment Report for Township, school, highway, and all other purposes

as authorized by law shall be spread against the taxable value of properties on the proper assessment rolls of the Townships, Wards, and Cities in the County.

Discussion followed.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call roll:

Yes (5): Commissioners Lawrence, Locke, Marchetti, Howie and Jones.

No (0): None.

Absent (3): Commissioners Laylin, Barrera and Lee.

Resolution R-108-2024 carried by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment occurred.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

Approved: _____
Date

Chair Jeremiah Jones

Monica McMichael, Clerk/Register