



November 2024 Board of Commissioners Activity Reports

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HIGHLIGHTS FOR NOVEMBER 2024

- 1. Emergency Management Grant:** During the November 12, 2024, BOC meeting, the Board accepted a \$11,702.00 FEMA grant for emergency management services.
- 2. EPA Brownfield Grant Application:** The Board approved the application for a \$500,000.00 EPA grant for environmental cleanup and redevelopment during November 12, 2024, BOC meeting.
- 3. RapidSoS 911 Modules Purchase:** The Board approved a five-year, \$165,975.00 agreement for upgraded 911 software modules enhancing alarm automation, GIS mapping, and text/video communications, during the November 12, 2024, BOC meeting.
- 4. Saddle Lake Level Control Proceedings:** The Board authorized hiring legal counsel and engineers to update lake level maintenance orders and establish a special assessment district for ongoing funding. This was approved during the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting.
- 5. Paw Paw River Water Trail Grant Agreement:** The Board accepted a \$283,700.00 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) grant, with a \$121,600.00 county match, to develop kayak launch and amenities. This was approved during the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting.
- 6. Employee Reimbursement Policy:** The Board adopted a formal policy for regulating non-travel business expense reimbursements during the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting.
- 7. Indigent Defense Grant Acceptance:** The Board approved the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC) FY 2024-2025 contract, awarding \$3,647,960.12 with a county match of \$309,097.85, during the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting.
- 8. October 2024 Claims:** The Board approved during the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting, claims amounting to \$14,393,254.03 for the month of October 2024.
- 9. VBISD Youth Center ARPA Fund Amendment:** During the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting the Board approved the amendment of the VBISD Youth Center ARPA Fund.
- 10. Public Defender Roster Attorney Contracts:** During the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting, the Board approved a \$793,922.00 contract for roster attorneys handling conflict cases for the Public Defender's Office.

Appointments/Reappointments

1. **AI Steering Committee:** During the November 12, 2024, BOC meeting, the Board approved the establishment of an AI Steering Committee to oversee AI policies and strategy, meeting monthly.
2. **Kinexus Workforce Board Reappointments:** Reappointed Tom Barbarini, Chris Randall, and Luke Barber to the Kinexus Workforce Development Board, with terms expiring June 30, 2027. This was approved during the November 26, 2024, BOC meeting.

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