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Monthly News from the
Livingston County Commissioners



April 2019

Livingston County Board of Commissioners

District 1 - Kate Lawrence

District 2 - William Green

District 3 - Wes Nakagiri

District 4 - Douglas G.
Helzerman

District 5 - Donald S. Parker
(Board Chairman)

District 6 - Robert J. Bezotte

District 7 - Carol S. Griffith

District 8 - Dennis L. Dolan
(Board Vice-Chairman)

District 9 - Gary Childs

"The mission of Livingston County is to be an effective and efficient steward in delivering quality services within the constraints of sound fiscal policy. Our priority is to provide mandated services which may be enhanced and supplemented to improve the quality of life for all who work, reside, and recreate in Livingston County."

Livingston County Parks & Open Space Plan



The Planning Department is looking forward to requesting the Board to approve the 2019-2023 Parks & Open Space Plan. The purpose of the Plan is to guide the parks, open spaces, and recreation decision-making of Livingston County government over the next five years. Public input was an important component the Planning Department depended on during the six month period of drafting the Plan. Goals for the next five years were created for the Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee, Lutz County Park, and Fillmore County Park. Some of the goals identified for the Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee include preserving environmentally sensitive areas when grant or other funding opportunities allow and building mutually beneficial relationships with local groups to improve, protect, and promote use of parks and open spaces county-wide. Some goals specific to Lutz County Park include promoting public awareness of the park and building mutually beneficial relationships with public and private park and recreation providers. Goals for Fillmore County Park include acquiring and maintaining park facilities and natural resources to provide high quality recreation and planning for future phases of development. You can take a look at the 2019-2023 Parks & Open Space Plan at: <https://www.livgov.com/parks/Pages/default.aspx>.

Monthly Meetings

4/3/2019 - Finance Committee at
7:30 AM

4/9/2019 - Full Board Meeting at
7:30 PM

4/10/2019 - Personnel
Committee at 8:00 AM

4/15/2019 - Infrastructure &
Development & Public Safety
at 7:30 PM

4/17/2019 - Finance Committee
at 7:30 AM

4/22/2019 - Full Board Meeting at
7:30 PM

Tyrone Township Extends Contract For Law Enforcement

Tyrone Township has elected to extend their contract with the Livingston County Sheriff's Department for Law Enforcement Services. Tyrone extended their contract to run from April 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022. As part of the contract, Tyrone determined the number of hours of coverage. The agreed upon contract calls for 56 hours of dedicated law enforcement services, eight hours a day, seven days a week.

Resolutions Passed by the Board of Commissioners

- 1-year contracts with Livingston County Catholic Charities; Karen Bergbower & Associates, PC; Key Development Center, Inc.; and Complete Counseling Centers to provide substance abuse treatment services have been approved.
- The Board approved an increase in compensation for members of the Board of County Canvassers. The Per Diem rate for 4 hours or less per day will be \$40 and the Per Diem rate for over 4 hours a day will be \$70.
- A 3-year licensing agreement with Microsoft has been approved. This agreement will cover the upgrade, update, and support of the county's server and desktop applications.
- The Board has approved an agreement with the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission to have funding provided to comply with the Michigan Indigent Defense Act.
- Agreements with Nationwide and Empower to make changes to the county's 457 plan offerings that improve cost, services, and investment options have been approved.
- The Board Chair has signed a Letter of Understanding regarding initial wage scale step placement for a promoted sergeant.
- An agreement with Textron, Inc., granting temporary access to the vacant property of the County's West Complex for the monitoring of groundwater wells for a period of 2 years has been approved.
- Supplemental salaries for District Court Judges have been amended to be in compliance with MCL 600.8202(2) & (3)(b).
- 12 mobile data computers (MDC) and docking stations will be purchased out of available funds from the Homeland Security Grant Program & Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program. These MDCs will be used for county and local law enforcement services.
- The county's Non-Union Sick Days Policy has been amended to remain in compliance with the Michigan Paid Medical Leave Act of 2018.
- The Board has declared the week of April 14th through April 20th, 2019 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in honor of the men and women whose unswerving diligence keep our citizens safe.
- The Livingston County Clerk has submitted their 2018 Annual Report.

Pending Resolutions

- LETS will request revisions to their Vacation Policy, Sick Call-In Policy, and Vacant Position Policy to improve employee retention and prevent service disruptions.
- The Board will consider the County Clerk's request to change a position from a part-time Deputy Clerk to a full-time Deputy Courtroom Clerk.
- EMS will ask the Board to write-off 2015 aged receivables.
- Emergency Management will request authorization to purchase 12 mobile data computers (MDCs) for Livingston County Law Enforcement and 10 for Fire Services. Funds will come from the Homeland Security Grant Program and the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program.