

The Organizational Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on January 4, 2021 at the Board of Commissioners Room, 33 McCollum Street, Suite 210, Hillsdale, Michigan.

Clerk Kast called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America by Clerk Kast.

#### AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Prayer & Pledge by Marney M. Kast, County Clerk
3. Swearing in of all County Commissioners by Marney M. Kast, County Clerk
3. Election of Chairperson – Oath of Office by Marney M. Kast, County Clerk
4. Election of Vice Chairperson – Oath of Office by Marney M. Kast, County Clerk
5. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 22, 2020
6. Approval of Meeting Dates and Times
7. Discussion and Appointments to Standing Committees
8. Discussion and Adoption of Rules of Procedures
9. Other Business
10. Public Comment
11. Adjournment

Present: Sheriff Scott Hodshire, Marney Kast and Stephenie Kyser

County Clerk Marney Kast swore in the County Commissioners that won the November 3, 2020 General Election as follows: Doug Ingles, District 1, Kathy Schmitt, District 2, Mark E. Wiley, District 3, Brad Benzing, District 4 and Brent Leininger, District 5.

C/Ingles moved to elect the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners by secret ballot. Second by C/Leininger. Vote unanimous. **CARRIED**

Clerk Kast asked if Stephenie Kyser and Jody Stott would be the tellers for the votes taken for the Chairperson.

Jody Stott announced that Mark E. Wiley has been elected Chair for 2021. Clerk Kast swore in Mark E. Wiley as Chairperson for the Board of Commissioners.

C/Wiley opened up the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair. C/Schmitt nominated C/Benzing. C/Wiley inquired if there were any more nominations. There were none. C/Wiley closed the nominations. C/Benzing was nominated as Vice-Chair for 2021. Clerk Kast swore in Brad Benzing as Vice-Chair for the Board of Commissioners.

C/Benzing moved to approve the minutes of December 22, 2020. Second by C/Schmitt. Vote unanimous. **CARRIED**

C/Schmitt moved to approve the 2021 Regular Meeting Dates of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners. Second by C/Benzing. Vote unanimous. **CARRIED**

C/Wiley updated the Board on the COVID vaccines at the Medical Care Facility.

C/Ingles moved to change the Finance Committee to Budget Committee. Second by C/Benzing. Vote unanimous. **CARRIED**

C/Leininger moved to accept the Committee assignments as presented. Second by C/Schmitt. Vote unanimous. **CARRIED**

C/Ingles moved to accept the Board Rules and Procedures and review it at the January 12, 2021 meeting. Motion dies for lack of a second. **FAILED**

There was much discussion regarding the Board Rules and Procedures. C/Wiley requested C/Leininger and C/Schmitt review the Board Procedures and present the revised updated version at the January 12, 2021 meeting.

C/Benzing moved to appoint C/Leininger and C/Schmitt review the Board Rules and Procedures and present it to the Board at the January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Second by C/Ingles. Vote unanimous. **CARRIED**

10:56 a.m. adjournment by call of the Chair.

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Mark E. Wiley, Chair  
Board of Commissioners

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Marney M. Kast,  
County Clerk