

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE TO BOC REGULAR SESSION 1/9/2024

### I. KUDO – a statement of praise or approval; accolade; compliment:

To Lori EuBanks, Interim Executive Assistant, who has been providing help with compiling the Executive Session Board packets and Board materials. I think it is fair to say that Lori and I have a new appreciation for all of the work that Laurel did intuitively. It may take some time before the Administrative Office is running at the same level of efficiency, so I again ask for the Board and the Publics patience.

However, I wanted to share that next Monday, Jill Rowley, will begin her duties as the new Executive Assistant for Administration. Jill comes to us as a past Charter School Executive Assistant – so she has been thrown up on, fixed boo-boos and had to deal with upset children and angry parents – as well as, she had helped maintain important documents and prepare the board packets for the school board. A good training ground.

We will hear more about the status of staffing later in the meeting.

### II. Project Updates –

- ***Lower Level Health Dept. Environmental Division*** – I spoke with Dan Thorell from the Health Department this morning regarding some technology/connectivity issues brought to light, and we are working to get some direction and cost per enhancements. We will have a final quote and discussion at the Contractors Meeting next week. We are on track for the **March 31, 2024 Completion date.**
- The Traverse City – ***Cherry Capital Airport*** has requested a meeting with Chairman Wessell and myself to discuss a zoning ordinance in the AAP – Airport Approach Plan. Meeting this week to discuss.

- **The Clean Energy Projects** – Yesterday, Treasurer - Gallagher, Interim Finance Director Hartesvelt, and myself met with Joe DeFors of the Energy Futures Task Force, to review the information needed to make the grant application to the Michigan Public Service Commission, “Renewable Energy and Electrification Infrastructure Enhancement and Development Grant” – which could pay 100% of the cost to bring solar service to the Government Center.

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- **Materials Management Plan** - In your packet is information about the pending requirements to set up a MMP. (Page 3 of your packet).

- The Traverse City – **Cherry Capital Airport** has requested a meeting with Chairman Wessell and myself to discuss a zoning ordinance limiting the heights of structures and objects in the vicinity of Cherry Capital Airport within the area identified in the AAP – Airport Approach Plan. This would include towers, or structures that may be an impediment to safe flight patterns. We anticipate a meeting before the end of the year.
- **The Clean Energy Projects** workgroup of the Energy Futures Task Force, has identified what they believe to be an excellent grant opportunity from the Michigan Public Service Commission, “Renewable Energy and Electrification Infrastructure Enhancement and Development Grant” – which could pay 100% of the cost to bring solar service to the Government Center.

### III. Upcoming Meeting/Requests -

- TTCI – MPO Transportation Policy Board has a meeting today at 3pm, I plan to attend.
- Building and Grounds to discuss HVAC, Façade project, Lower Level update, and chairs - TBD.
- Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 7pm.

Open Bids and handouts ...