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## **INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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THE LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2009 AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE PERSONNEL CONFERENCE ROOM (D & E), HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING, 5303 S. CEDAR, LANSING.

### Agenda

Call to Order

Additions to the Agenda

Limited Public Comment

1. Sheriff's Office
  - a. Resolution to Accept a 2009 Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) for Command School Training Reimbursement for the Ingham County Sheriff's Office
  - b. Resolution to Accept the 2009 Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA)
2. Controller/Administrator's Office - Resolution to Authorize Proceeding with the Development of an Intergovernmental Agreement to Share in the Cost of New Phone Technology and to Develop Virtual Back-up Capabilities
3. Board Referrals
  - a. Letter from Sharon Nimblett and Marcia Nelson Regarding Proposed Reductions in Road Patrol Funding
  - b. Email from Ron Haas, Stockbridge, Regarding Proposed Law Enforcement Millage

Announcements

Public Comment

Adjournment

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**RESOLUTION STAFF REVIEW**

**DATE:** September 1, 2009

**Agenda Item Title:** Resolution to Accept a 2009 Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) for Command School Training Reimbursement for the Ingham County Sheriff's Office

**Submitted by:** Sheriff's Office

**Committees:** LE X, JD \_\_\_\_\_, HS \_\_\_\_\_, CS \_\_\_\_\_, Finance X

**Summary of Proposed Action:** This Resolution will authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept a 2009 Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from MMRMA for 50% up to a maximum of \$850.00, for training reimbursement for the Ingham County Sheriff's Office for a command staff officer (Sgt. Jeff Weiss) to attend the Staff and Command School at Michigan State University.

**Financial Implications:** The RAP grant will pay up to \$850.00 for the reimbursement of the tuition costs to be matched on a dollar for dollar basis from the State of Michigan 302 funds to the Sheriff's Office Training funds.

**Other Implications:**  
Reimbursement is subject to successful completion of the program.

**Staff Recommendation:** MJM \_\_\_\_\_ JN X TL \_\_\_\_\_ TM \_\_\_\_\_ JC \_\_\_\_\_  
Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

**Agenda Item 1a**

Introduced by the Law Enforcement and Finance Committees of the:

**INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A 2009 RISK AVOIDANCE GRANT (RAP) FROM THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (MMRMA) FOR COMMAND SCHOOL TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE INGHAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Sheriff's Office has applied for and has been approved to receive a Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this grant is for the Ingham County Sheriff's Office to receive a RAP Grant to pay up to fifty percent to a maximum of \$850.00, to assist in the tuition for a command staff member to attend the 2009 Staff and Command School at Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, the award grant is dependent on the officer to successfully complete the training; and

WHEREAS, the remaining costs of the school will be paid for by 302 funds provided by the State of Michigan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners approves acceptance of the 2009 Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) up to a maximum of \$850.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners directs the Controller/Administrator to make any necessary budget adjustments in the Ingham County Sheriff's Office 2009 Budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson and the County Clerk to sign any necessary contract documents that are consistent with this Resolution and approved as to form by the County Attorney.

**RESOLUTION STAFF REVIEW**

**DATE:** September 1, 2009

**Agenda Item Title:** Resolution to Accept the 2009 Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA)

**Submitted by:** Sheriff's Office

**Committees:** LE X, JD \_\_\_\_, HS \_\_\_\_, CS \_\_\_\_, Finance X

**Summary of Proposed Action:** This Resolution will authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) a Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) for up to \$1,500.00, to purchase two (2) Automatic Emergency Defibrillators (A.E.D.) used to restart the heart after cardiac arrest for the Corrections Division. This sum will be matched on a dollar for dollar basis for a maximum of up to \$3,000.

**Financial Implications:** 2009 RAP Grant up to \$1,500  
2009 JAG Grant up to \$1,500  
\$3,000 not to exceed

**Other Implications:**  
MMRMA suggests the Jail have one on every post or a total of ten. The corrections facility currently has five. The Sheriff's Office plans to add these two this year and three next year.

**Staff Recommendation:** MJM \_\_ JN X TL \_\_ TM \_\_ JC \_\_  
Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

**Agenda Item 1b**

Introduced by the Law Enforcement and Finance Committees of the:

**INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE 2009 RISK AVOIDANCE GRANT (RAP) FROM THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (MMRMA)**

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Sheriff's Office has applied for and has been approved to receive a Risk Avoidance Grant from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this grant is for the Ingham County Sheriff's Office to purchase two (2) new Automatic Emergency Defibrillators (A.E.D.) for the Corrections Division; and

WHEREAS, the award amount of this reimbursement grant is to fund 50% of the cost of the two new Automatic Emergency Defibrillators to a maximum grant of \$1,500.00 and;

WHEREAS, the remaining costs of the two Automatic Emergency Defibrillators will be covered by 2009 Federal JAG Grant funds.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners approves acceptance of the 2009 Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) in the amount of \$1,500.00, to be matched on a dollar for dollar basis up to a project total of \$3,000 by the 2009 JAG Grant funds for the purchase of two Automatic Emergency Defibrillators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners directs the Controller/Administrator to make any necessary budget adjustments in the Ingham County Sheriff's Office 2009 Budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson and the County Clerk to sign any necessary contract documents that are consistent with this Resolution and approved as to form by the County Attorney.

**Agenda Item 2**

**RESOLUTION STAFF REVIEW**

**DATE:** September 1, 2009

**Agenda Item Title:** Resolution to Authorize Proceeding with the Development of an Intergovernmental Agreement to Share in the Cost of New Phone Technology and to Develop Virtual Back-up Capabilities

**Submitted by:** Controller/Administrator's Office

**Committees:** LE X, JD \_\_\_\_, HS \_\_\_\_, CS \_\_\_\_, Finance \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary of Proposed Action:** This Resolution will authorize the County Controller/Administrator to pursue an Intergovernmental Agreement with Eaton, Clinton and Livingston Counties in order to share in the cost of new phone technology and to develop virtual back-up capabilities.

**Financial Implications:** Undetermined at this time - any necessary costs will be presented to the Board of Commissioners at the appropriate time.

**Other Implications:**  
A new phone system and back-up center will be necessary as part of the 911 Consolidation Project.

**Staff Recommendation:** MJM \_\_ JN X TL \_\_ TM \_\_ JC \_\_  
Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

## Agenda Item 2

Introduced by the Law Enforcement Committee of the:

### INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### **RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PROCEEDING WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO SHARE IN THE COST OF NEW PHONE TECHNOLOGY AND TO DEVELOP VIRTUAL BACK-UP CAPABILITES**

WHEREAS, the Counties of Clinton, Eaton, Ingham and Livingston all need to upgrade their 911 phone systems in order to take advantage of internet protocol technology; and

WHEREAS, each County also needs to develop emergency back-up E-9-1-1 capabilities in the event of primary system failure; and

WHEREAS, each County wishes to work collaboratively in order to reduce costs and provide for interconnectivity between Counties; and

WHEREAS, working together each County has the opportunity to not only save in the purchase and maintenance costs of a new phone system, but also forgo the capital costs of building a physical E-9-1-1 back-up center in each County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners, by this Resolution, the attached Position Paper does hereby authorize the County Controller/Administrator to pursue an Intergovernmental Agreement with Eaton, Clinton and Livingston Counties in order to share in the cost of new phone technology and to develop virtual back-up capabilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that preliminary cost and feasibility information will be required in order to proceed, and by the adoption of this Resolution each County agrees to share equally in the cost of acquiring this information.

## **POSITION PAPER**

In the near future, an intergovernmental agreement will need to be developed, and agreed upon by all County Board of Commissioners. For now, a Resolution that each County Board of Commissioners will need to agree to that covers the proposed goals and objectives below. The purpose of the Resolution is only to confirm that the County desires to proceed with the concept and development of virtual back-up functionality for the participating Counties to share an I/P 9-1-1 solution.

All four Counties agree:

1. To use the number of access points, e.g. dispatcher positions, in determining respective Counties' costs.
2. Share the cost of the purchase and installation of an I/P 9-1-1 phone solution among the Counties that select the same vendor.
  - Assure compatibility if different vendors' solutions are purchased by one or more counties that they meet the common need of regional interoperability.
3. Counties with the same I/P solution have equal input in the selection of a vendor to provide long-term service.
4. Host and client counties are equal.

Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties: All three counties have voice radio interoperability because of the COPS IT Grant. Eaton and Clinton Counties have the same CAD vendor and with an I/P phone solution, the following is possible.

1. Agree to the concept of virtual back-up functionality between the three Counties' PSAPs.
2. Agree that each PSAP will commit at least two dispatcher positions to be utilized as back-up dispatcher positions by the other PSAP in the event of an evacuation or any other emergency taking a PSAP out-of-service at its primary location.
3. Building access, usage, liability concerns, etc. will be resolved in the development of the Intergovernmental Agreement.

The benefits of virtual back-up functionality is a huge savings for each participating County as it eliminates the need to build, equip, train telecommunicators, and exercise a separate back-up PSAP. Minimum net savings per County is over \$1.2 million, plus the on-going training and exercising of the back-up center as well as equipment service agreements.

When a primary dispatch center is forced to vacate their operation and move to their back-up center, their calls for service are transfer to their County's alternate PSAP. Their radio dispatches may be "off the air" during the move. Once staff arrives at the back-up operation, they must

start-up the equipment, causing additional delay in answering calls for help. The proposed I/P virtual back-up collaboration should result in no loss of service for our citizens and public safety personnel, as the neighboring primary dispatch operation(s) could absorb, for a short period of time, the calls from the distressed center.

Again, the above are PROPOSED goals and objectives for the initial discussions on this matter.

July 28, 2009

Ingham County Commission  
Ingham County Courthouse  
P.O. Box 319  
Mason, MI 48854

Dear Commissioners:

We have lived in Vevay Township for the last 16 years and feel **VERY STRONGLY** that police protection offered by the Sheriffs department should **NEVER EVER** be taken away under any conditions for **ANYONE** in the county – **ANYWHERE** in the county.

Because approximately 29% of our yearly property taxes fund government operations, we look at police protection as a right, not a privilege We **STRONGLY OPPOSE** any cut to the Sheriffs department's funding. We can't believe this could even be considered.

On Jan 1, 1994 @ 12:15a.m. it all started. Without the help of the Sheriffs Dept. we would have been left with:

1. A drunk driver who lost control, drove into our yard, rolled his car through the air, jumping my driveway and landed rolled over on the drivers side 6 inches from my front porch.
2. Then on another occasion, a young girl showed up on our front porch. She'd been carjacked and her assailant was still in the car. Then while on the phone with the dispatchers, her assailant was walking around our house trying to figure out a way to get in.
3. Another out of control car landed in our front bushes, taking out the Christmas lights, the mailbox and one of the bushes – along with sending rocks flying everywhere.
4. Then there were the 3 young people who lost control when she turned around to talk to her sister and went into the ditch, flew over the driveway and landed right in the middle of all the bushes - all ok, but if not for the police and EMTs, it would have been a different story.
5. Or the time a local boy rolled his new JEEP in the neighbor's yard across the street and they had to cut him out of the car.
6. Then **RECENTLY** on July 16 (the night of the first meeting) around 9pm. Drunk driver heading east on Dexter Trail, took down several of my neighbors mailboxes before he flew through the air and landed facing West in the middle of my front lawn – barely missing our horse trailer. He was drunk enough he didn't care and kept trying to drive away. The police arrived and took care of him.

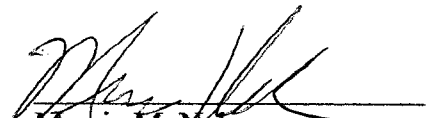
We are very grateful for the officers who cover our township, do not cut our coverage.

Sincerely,

  
Sharon J. Nimblett

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Marcia M. Nelson

**Becky Bennett - Letter for the Board...**

**From:** "Ronald L. Haas" <rlhaas@juno.com>  
**To:** <BBennett@ingham.org>  
**Date:** 8/25/2009 3:05 PM  
**Subject:** Letter for the Board...

**AGENDA ITEM #** 3b

Becky Bennett,  
Board Coordinator

Could you please get the following letter out to the commissioners for tonight's meeting. Having another obligation, I will be unable to deliver it in person.

Thank You,

Ronald Haas  
1519 DeCamp Rd  
Stockbridge, MI 49285

*I am very disappointed over the mileage issue. There are those willing to sell our safety and welfare down the drain for who knows what political reasons. I can not understand why "they" should be let off the hook by a mileage that has been offered up to "them" on a silver platter. "They" have been presented a win/win proposition. "They" know damn well that the mileage will be voted down, but any good sleazy politician knows that he/she must cover all the basses..... just in case. So "just in case" the mileage, on a slim chance, passes "they" have placed "their" hands well into the money, funneling much of it into "their" own, shall we say, gigs. I think "they" should be made to vote the cut "they have wanted for so long" and be exposed for it. Give "them" the rope and hopefully "they" will hang themselves, if their constituents ever see "them" for what they have done. We might better let this play out - let the hanging take place - and, if need be, put it on the ballot at the next scheduled election. Wouldn't that also be cheaper?*

*Those truly responsible Commissioners, and the many behind them, who have worked so hard to uphold one of the major obligations of their office - the safety and welfare of the citizens of Ingham County - are about to walk right into a web of deceit. Those wanting the Sheriff's Department gutted couldn't come out smelling any better, either way it goes. They will have willingly slashed the Sheriffs Department and put the ultimate blame on the citizens of Ingham County. I can see it now - **HEADLINE => Ingham county residents vote against the Sheriff's Department and continued road patrols.***

*I know many have fought hard on behalf of our citizens safety and welfare and we really don't want to abandon their thankless efforts but at the same time, when are we going to stand up to the onslaught of political injustices? We are being barraged by outright "in your face" injustice from Washington on down and we are sick and tired of it. And the argument to "cut off your nose to spite your face" doesn't buy it here. "They" know "they" are going to get their way because a mileage will not pass. And they need to have the spotlight held on them and to be held accountable for their trickery. Never give a weasel room to wiggle free!*

Ronald Haas  
Citizen, Bunker Hill Township

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