

MONTCALM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 29, 2012

1:30 PM

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Carr at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Bruce Anna from the Pine Grove Church in Stanton offered invocation.

Members present at roll call: Commissioners Walker, Lindeman, Retzloff, Johansen, Porter, Baker, Carr, Caris and Kellenberger. Members absent: None.

Others present: Chris Hyzer, Kristen Millard, Kim Miller, Bill Barnwell, James Freed, Gisela Peek, Kristi Romashko and Elisabeth Waldon.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to approve the April 23, 2012, regular minutes and the May 14, 2012, special meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Lindeman, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to approve the agenda with the addition of #5 under Committee Reports entitled Solid Waste Management Planning Committee Minutes. Motion carried.

Public comments were offered. None were given.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with Eagle Scout resolutions for Brandon S. Kittle, Cade A. Calhoun, Jacob M. Smith, Jared Downing and David Dowd. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to approve and adopt Eagle Scout **RESOLUTIONS 2012-6 Brandon S. Kittle; 2012-7 Cade A. Calhoun; 2012-8 Jacob M. Smith; 2012-9 Jared Downing; and 2012-10 David Dowd.** Motion carried.

JoAnne Vukin, County Treasurer, provided the board with foreclosure list and procedures for purchase. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Johansen to place the foreclosure list and the procedures for purchase on file. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with Homeland Security Grant Program Intergovernmental Agreement between West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC) and Montcalm County. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Johansen to approve the Homeland Security Grant Program Intergovernmental Agreement between West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC) and Montcalm County and authorize the Controller to sign. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with 2012 L-4029 as prepared by the Equalization Department. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to approve the 2012 L-4029, Tax Rate Request and authorize the proper signatures. Motion carried.

Don Cooper, Drain Commissioner, informed the board that a vacancy has occurred on the Cowden Lake, Muskellunge, and Rainbow/Middle Lake Improvement Boards due to Commissioner Paepke's passing. These vacancies need to be filled with newly appointed Commissioner Tom Porter. Moved by Commissioner Lindeman, supported by Commissioner Johansen to appoint Commissioner Porter to the Cowden Lake, Muskellunge, and Rainbow/Middle Lake Improvement Boards. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with a Letter of Agreement for the 2012 Purchase of Increase in Dollar Multiplier for the Montcalm County FOP Montcalm County Lodge No. 149 pension. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Baker to approve the Letter of Agreement for the 2012 Purchase of Increase in Dollar Multiplier for the Montcalm County FOP Montcalm County Lodge No. 149 pension and authorize the proper signatures. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with a Letter of Agreement with the Montcalm County COAM/POAM for 2012 wages. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Baker to approve the Letter of Agreement with the Montcalm County COAM/POAM for 2012 wages and authorize the proper signatures. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with a Letter of Agreement with the Montcalm County POAM for 2012 Final Average Compensation (FAC) Retirement Purchase. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Baker to approve the Letter of Agreement with the Montcalm County POAM for 2012 Final Average Compensation (FAC) Retirement Purchase and authorize the proper signatures. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with the 2013 – 2015 Collective Bargaining Agreement with POAM. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Baker to approve the 2013 – 2015 Collective Bargaining Agreement with POAM and authorize the proper signatures. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board the 2013 – 2015 Collective Bargaining Agreement with COAM. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Baker to approve the 2013 – 2015 Collective Bargaining Agreement with COAM and authorize the proper signatures. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC) Transfer of Ownership Agreement for radio equipment. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to approve the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC) Transfer of Ownership Agreement for radio equipment and authorize the proper signatures. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer, Controller, provided the board with a list of individuals interested in filling committee vacancies. Vacancies have occurred in the Address Ordinance Appeals Board, the Building Board of Appeals, CIS Oversight Committee and the Planning Commission. Commissioner Johansen and Chris Hyzer recommended possibly absorbing the positions on the Address Ordinance Appeals Board and the CIS Oversight Committee into the regular committee structure since the committees meet so infrequently. Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to appoint Lori Johnson to the CIS Oversight Committee and Jeremiah Stone to the Planning Commission and refer the Address Ordinance Appeals Board and Building Board of Appeals to the Economic Development and Physical Resources Committee for their review and recommendation. Motion carried.

At 1:51 p.m. Sheriff Bill Barnwell was in attendance representing the Committee on Public Safety (COPS). The COPS Committee is requesting that the Board of Commissioners place the law enforcement millage back on the ballot in November, with modifications. Sheriff Barnwell stated that after the law enforcement millage failed in February the COPS Committee continued to meet to analyze why the millage may have failed and what could be done differently. The Committee feels that modifications to the first millage language, in terms of the amount requested and the term, are necessary. While one mill is needed, to maintain 24/7 coverage and add additional officers, at this point the Committee believes it would be best to ask for just enough to be able to maintain the coverage we currently have. Sheriff Barnwell stated that in the 2013 budget the Sheriff's Department will see additional cuts. The committee feels that this is such an important issue that the millage warrants revisiting.

The COPS Committee is requesting that the board put a Law Enforcement millage on the November 2012 General Election ballot at 0.6 mill for a period of 2 years. The 0.6 mill will maintain the current level of coverage at the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Johansen stated that if the board is going to move forward with placing a millage on the ballot, he would prefer that action be taken no later than at the June meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Walker, supported by Commissioner Johansen to postpone action on the Law Enforcement Millage issue until the June Board meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to approve consent agenda items 13 through 20 and move stated action:

County Clerk	Resolution 2012-3	Place on file
County Clerk	Resolution 2012-4	Place on file
County Clerk	Resolution 2012-5	Place on file
Scott Minard	Dodge Report, April 2012	Place on file
Controller	AAAWM FY 2013 Older Americans Act Continuation Funding Request	Place on file
Controller	Incentive Payment Memorandum of Understanding Between Social Security Administration and the County of Montcalm	Place on file
Controller	Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes, May 1, 2012	Place on file
Motion carried.		

Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to allow spending up to \$1,000 in software from Serif for the new county website. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Johansen to place the May 8, 2012, CIS Oversight Committee Minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to authorize EMS to plant trees upon consultation with Higbee Landscape Supply and the Controller. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to place the May 14, 2012, Economic Development and Physical Resources Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Lindeman, supported by Commissioner Johansen to place the May 14, 2012, Health & Human Services Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to accept the bids from Signature Ford and Casair for the purchase of two new rescue units, up to \$52,263.00 each, under the terms outlined in their bid. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to adopt the workers compensation policy with the changes that were suggested by Michigan Municipal League (MML). Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Caris to stay with Michigan Municipal League (MML) for our workers compensation insurance for 2012-2013. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Caris to approve the 2013 budget calendar as presented by the controller. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Kellenberger to approve warrant number 042312 in the amount of \$986,711.88 and warrant number 051412 in the amount of \$384,592.73. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to place the May 14, 2012, Finance and Personnel Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Lindeman, supported by Commissioner Retzloff to accept the proposal from Montcalm Township to split the cost of constructing a fenced in area with a crushed concrete surface with the Solid Waste Committee. The committee would cover 60% of the project cost at \$867.00 and Montcalm Township would cover 40% at \$578.00. Roll call vote: Ayes: Commissioners Porter, Baker, Caris, Carr, Kellenberger, Retzloff and Johansen. Nays: Commissioners Walker and Lindeman. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Lindeman, supported by Commissioner Retzloff to place the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee minutes. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer informed the board that he has been working with the Register of Deeds Office to accept credit cards through their software vendor, Record Fusion. The company collects approximately a \$1 per transaction convenience fee. The cost to set the project up is \$500. Mr. Hyzer feels that this will general additional funds for the county.

Mr. Hyzer stated that he was at a conference last week and one of the topics was Road Commission's. Therefore if anyone wants to see the information he obtained they can contact him.

Chris Hyzer presented the board with a list of standing committee vacancies that have occurred due to Commissioner Paepke's passing. Chairman Carr appointed Commissioner Johansen as the M.T.A. liaison and appointed Commissioner Porter to the following committees:

- Finance and Personnel – Alternate
- Law Enforcement and Courts
- Health and Human Services
- Timberland RC&D
- Substance Abuse Advisory Council
- Solid Waste Management Planning Committee
- Parks & Recreation Commission
- Mid-Michigan District Health Board of Directors
- Address Ordinance Appeals Board, Alternate 1
- M.T.A. Representative - Alternate

Public comments were offered. None were given.

Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to adjourn at 2:53 p.m. Motion carried.

Kristen Millard, County Clerk

Patrick Q. Carr, Chairman