

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Sheryl Guy, County Clerk, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present:	District #1	Jerroll Drenth
	District #2	Eugene Dawson
	District #3	Karen Bargy
	District #4	Ed Boettcher
	District #5	David Howelman
	District #6	Michael Crawford
	District #7	Laura Stanek
	District #8	Bernard Blackmore
	District #9	Christian Marcus

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The County Clerk requested Public Comment. There was none.

The County Clerk appointed Peter Garwood, County Administrator teller for the election.

The County Clerk requested nominations for Chairman. David Howelman nominated Michael Crawford.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Michael Crawford for the 2014 Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

Michael Crawford was declared Chairman

The County Clerk requested nominations for Vice Chairman. Laura Stanek nominated Bernard Blackmore for Vice Chairman.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Boettcher the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Bernard Blackmore for the 2014 Vice Chairman.

Bernard Blackmore was declared Vice Chairman

Michael Crawford took the Chairman's seat and conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Karen Bargy offered discussion on a proposal to change the meeting structure of the Board to a hybrid structure: committee-of-the-whole with three (3) subcommittees (Administration, Finance and Operational). The full Board would meet twice per month with standing committees meeting once per month. The Chairman requested that the County Administrator, Peter Garwood research the committee-of-the-whole Board meeting standards and to revisit this issue in six (6) months.

RESOLUTION #01-14 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by David Howelman

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the 2014 regular meeting of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Antrim County Building.

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners will review the meeting structure of the Board and the study of a hybrid structure: committee-of-the-whole in six (6) months.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #01-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #02-14 by Karen Bargy, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, Antrim County desires to comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1992 in all entities:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, Antrim County shall comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1992 in the employment and retention of personnel, and all other phases pursuant to these Acts, and affirms its policy prohibiting discriminatory practices, policies, and customs that violate the rights of any citizens or lawful permanent resident of the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, weight, height, marital status, or physical disability and/or ability and hereby adopts a broadened policy encouraging participation of minorities, the handicapped, and the disabled.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #02-14 DECALRED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION #03-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Jerroll Drenth

WHEREAS, Public Act #344 of 1982 changes and extends the procedures under which the Board of Commissioners must make the report of its meetings available to the public, and,

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners intends to continue the procedure under which it is currently making the report of its meetings available to the public;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, pursuant to P.A. #344 of 1982, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners will direct the County Clerk to mail a report of session of the Board available as soon as possible after each session in the Office of the County Clerk for public inspection and copying without charge, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to P.A. #344 of 1982, sec 9c, copies of the report of each session will be mailed or e-mailed upon request without charge, and

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that, it be advertised in the County newspapers that the report of each open session is available from the Office of the County Clerk without charge.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that, the County Board of Commissioners minutes be posted on the Antrim County web site when available and approved.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;  
No – None;  
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #03-14 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION #04-14 by David Howelman, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, Michigan P.A. 156 of 1851, as amended confers on Boards of Commissioners the following power "...require a county officer whose salary or compensation is paid by the County to make a report under oath to the County Board of Commissioners on a subject connected with the duties of that office...";

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, the following county officers be required to make a 2013 Annual Report in the form stipulated by the Board of Commissioners by the second Thursday, in July 2014: Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Dam Operator, County Surveyor, Probate Judge, District Court, Circuit Court, Abstractor, County Administrator, Planning Director, County Accountant, Building Official, Animal Control Officer, ACT Director, Airport Manager, Housing Director, I.T. Coordinator, Commission on Aging Director, Medical Examiner, Emergency Services Coordinator, and Veterans' Counselor, and also the following Agencies: North Country Community Mental Health, Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility, Department of Human Services, MSU Extension, Antrim Conservation District (County Forester, Soil Erosion Control), Antrim County Community Collaborative, Road Commission, North Lakes Economic

Resolution #04-14 continued

Alliance, Grass River Natural Area, Inc., Meadowview Apartments, the Antrim County Fair Board and Other Agencies contractually required to report to the County.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that, each report last not more than fifteen (15) minutes.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent –None.

RESOLUTION #04-14 DECALRED ADOPTED

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the Antrim County Commissioners' Procedures as approved April 13, 2000 and amended on February 8, 2001, February 14, 2002, November 14, 2002, February 9, 2006, January 7, 2010, February 11, 2010, January 12, 2012, January 3, 2013 and March 14, 2013 continue to be used in the year 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent -None.

RESOLUTION #05-2014 by Karen Bargy, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, under generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the department of Treasury – State of Michigan, all Antrim County expenditures shall have prior approval of governing body, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by audit that Antrim County shall comply with this accounting standard,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all Antrim County expenditures in General Fund Type, Special revenue Fund Type, Capital Project Fund Type, and Enterprise Fund Type Funds be approved for 2014 at the monthly meeting of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners with some exceptions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that following expenditures be considered the exceptions and be considered approved by passage of this Resolution.

1. Special Revenue Fund Types for which the payment approval has been designated to another board or agency either by law or by action of the Board of Commissioners including but not limited to Meadowbrook Operating Fund, Road Commission, Veterans Affairs, Child Care, Meadowbrook Operating, Commission on Aging, and other similar Funds.
2. Special Revenue Fund Types that involve grant agreements including but not limited to Housing grants, Parks grants, Emergency Services grants, Antrim County Transportation/Dial-a-Ride grants, Law Enforcement grants, Commission on Aging grants, and other similar Funds.
3. Appropriations to other Agencies as designated in the current year's budgets.
4. Any payroll and related fringe benefit expenses.

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5. Expenditures which lack of timely payment results in late fees including but not limited to utilities, credit cards, and other similar expenses.
6. Contractual obligations including but not limited to trash removal, plowing, contractual projects, maintenance contracts, insurance, and other similar expenditures.
7. Any expenses which the Chief Administrative/Fiscal Officer deems, due to circumstances, should be paid immediately, such expenses to be signed as approved by the Chief Administrative/fiscal Officer.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #05-14 DELARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION #06-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Karen Bargy

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following institutions and their subsidiaries as depositories of Antrim County funds for the year 2014:

Alden State Bank  
Bank of America  
Bay Winds Federal Credit Union  
Charlevoix State Bank  
Chemical Bank  
Comerica  
Fifth Third Bank  
First Federal of Northern Michigan  
FirstMerit Bank  
Flagstar Bank  
Huntington Bank  
Northwestern Bank  
PNC Bank  
Talmer Bank & Trust  
The Private Bank  
Wolverine Bank  
Morgan Stanley Smith Barney  
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.  
J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.  
MBIA-Municipal Investors of Michigan CLASS  
UBS Financial Service Inc.

Resolution #06-14 continued

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to use these designated institutions.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent –None.

RESOLUTION #06-14 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION # 07-14 by Karen Bargy, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Act No 20 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1943, as amended (“Act 20”) the Board of Commissioners of the County of Antrim may authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds in certain investments; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to authorize such investments as are permitted by Act 20; and

WHEREAS, section 5, of Act 20 required this Board of Commissioners in conjunction with the County Treasurer to adopt an investment policy which complies with provisions of Act 20; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ANTRIM AS FOLLOWS:

1. The County Treasurer is authorized to invest funds of the County of Antrim in investments authorized by Act 20.
2. The Investment Policy attached hereto as Appendix 1 is approved and shall take effect on January 1, 2014. (see pages).
3. Before executing an order to purchase or trade the funds of the County of Antrim a financial intermediary, broker, or dealer shall be provided with a copy of the County’s Investment Policy and shall acknowledge receipt of the Investment Policy and agree to comply with the terms of the Investment Policy regarding the buying or selling of securities by executing the form attached as Appendix 2.
4. The County Treasurer is authorized to rely on the continuing effect of this resolution until and unless it is specifically amended or rescinded by a future resolution of the Board of Commissioners.
5. This resolution shall take effect on Wednesday, January 1, 2014.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #07-14 DECLARED ADOPTED

## RESOLUTION #08-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners provides all of the following for taxes paid before May 1 in the first year of delinquency for the homestead property of a senior citizen, paraplegic, hemiplegic, quadriplegic, eligible serviceman, eligible veteran, eligible widow, totally and permanently disable, or blind person, as those persons are defined in chapter 9 of the income tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.501 to 206.532, if a claim is made before February 15 for the income tax credit provided by chapter 9 of the income tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.501 to 206.532, if that claimant presents a copy of the form filed for that credit to the county treasurer, and if that claimant has not received the credit before March 1:

- a. Any interest, fee, or penalty in excess of the interest, fee or penalty that would be been added if the tax had been paid before February 15 is waived.
- b. Interest paid under subsection (1) of section 89 (1)(a) is waived unless the interest is pledged to the repayment of delinquent tax revolving fund notes or payable to the county delinquent tax revolving fund, in which case the interest shall be refunded from the general fund of the county.
- c. The county property tax administration fee is waived

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approves the following:

- a. The treasurer of the local tax collecting shall indicate on the delinquent tax roll if a 1% property tax administration fee was added to taxes collected before February 15.
- b. The fees authorized and collected under this section and credited to the delinquent property tax administration fund shall be used by the department of treasury to pay expenses incurred in the administration of this act.
- c. The county property tax administration fee shall be used by the county to offset the costs incurred in and ancillary to collecting delinquent property taxes and for purposes authorized by section 87b and 87d.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent –None.

## RESOLUTION # 08-14 DECLARED ADOPTED

The Chairman requested Public Comment. There was none.

Ed Boettcher spoke on the saving and convenience of the Committee and Board packets being sent to members via: e-mail, on thumb drives and/or encrypt web site. He also spoke of future use of laptop computers for Board members. The County Administrator, Peter Garwood will check with the I.T. Director, Valerie Craft for input and future proposal.

Peter Garwood reported that the County Administration Committee had interviewed for the positions of the Antrim County Equalization Director and the Antrim County Housing Director. One (1) proposal was received from Bob Englebrecht to perform the equalization services from January 1, 2014 to March 1, 2014 at a cost of \$15,500.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Dawson that the proposal be accepted from Robert Englebrecht for his equalization services from January 1, 2014 to March 1, 2014 at a cost of \$15,500, and be paid from the General Fund Equalization Department 2014 budget; to be paid in installments of \$7,750 in February 2014 and \$7,750 in March 2014 contingent upon complete reporting of all units covered within Antrim County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the Housing Director applicant - Jonathan Scheel provide Antrim County with a written proposed contract to provide services for the Antrim County Housing Department and that legal review the proposal. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Christian Marcus left meeting at 10:25 a.m.  
Christian Marcus returned to meeting at 10:30 a.m.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek that applicant Karleen Helmreich be hired as the Equalization Director to start employment on March 1, 2014, with the starting salary of \$59,658, which represents the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) year level of the wage scale for the Equalization Director; after one year of successful service, applicant is eligible for the three (3<sup>rd</sup>) year level of pay; and upon hire the applicants waiting period for use of the first year of vacation time of nine (9) months be waived and 6.5 days (the first year's accrual) will be available for use upon hire; and the waiting period for use of one half (½) of the paid personal time that will accrue between March to December in the 2014 year (total accrual 5 days divided by 2 equals two and a half (2 ½) days) will be available upon hire, employment offer is contingent on pre-employment physical examination, drug testing and background check. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None;

David Howelman reported that a representative from Northwest Health Department will report on the water testing results from the sites near the Antrim – Kalkaska Landfill.

Laura Stanek reported that she attended the meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup> with Antrim County Emergency Services (ACES) and representative from Tele Rad, Inc. over the problems that the emergency service units are having with the radio system. She stated that the problems are being addressed and that consideration is being given to add an additional tower or to add a booster to the current tower which may be necessary to solve these issues.

Jerrold Drenth reported that the Antrim County Commission on Aging budget deficit was greater than had been expected in the amount of \$15,000 and that a 2013 budget amendment was approved at the December 12, 2013 Board meeting.



Eugene Dawson reported that the U.S. Department of Defense has awarded six (6) states as the test sites for the Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) or Drones and that Michigan was not one of them.

The Chairman requested the members of the 2013 Buildings and Grounds Committee meet on Monday, January 6, 2014 to address urgent matters.

The Chairman requested the members of the 2013 Finance Committee meet on Monday, January 6, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. to go over the claims and accounts.

The Chairman requested that Laura Stanek, Chairman of the 2013 Administration Committee continue to serve in this capacity for the Probate Court Union Negotiations scheduled to meet January 8, 2014.

David Howelman spoke on the ACUTE (Antrim County United Thru Ecology) Committee – The TCE Plume continues to move and the committee continues to work on an extension from the state.

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Sam Cataldo with Dan Sagady and Jim Ellavich spoke on the negative impact of group "Agenda 21" Freedom Advocates and requesting the support of the Board's leadership to protect the constitutional and property rights of citizens. Dan Sagady thanked the Board for their recent action taken not to accept UAS (Unmanned Aircraft System), Drones in Antrim County. David Schulz spoke of the Village of Bellaire Council meeting and the continued economic vitalization due to the joint efforts of the ongoing development of Glacial Hills Pathway and Natural Area. Public comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

Prosecuting Attorney Jim Rossiter reported that he has employed two (2) interns: Holly Stanek, a college student and ReAnn Gorton, who recently passed the bar exam. Both are looking to get experience.

County Administrator Peter Garwood reported that mediation was held and that the Probate Court Collective Bargaining Unit has ratified and the individuals have agreed upon a 1.5% increase in wages.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the wage re-opener agreement be ratified and all the individuals in the Probate Court Collective Bargaining Unit be approved a 1.5% increase in wages. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Blackmore the Chairman be authorized to sign the following contracts for Commission on Aging Homechore Program pending legal review.

James Cook

Dream Lakes Services, LLC

Motion carried as follows: Yes - Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek the claims and accounts totaling \$187,405.92 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek that a budget amendment be approved to increase the 2014 – 911 Operational Fund #261 budget in the amount of \$65,500 to complete projects that were budgeted in 2013 and not completed as follows:

Replace 5 Year Old Sentinel CML Computers	\$ 7,500
Replace Carpet in 911 Center	\$10,000
Replace 911 Dispatcher Console Positions	\$48,000

Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the application for the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility renovation project totaling \$358,204.64 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – None.

David Howelman reported that the architect from Christman Company will meet with Mike Crawford and Pete Garwood on the 24<sup>th</sup> of January to review the project and the rising concerns of change orders and costs. This will then be brought to the Building and Grounds Committee and full Board in February.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that for the Meadowbrook Renovation project, Owner Change Orders #21 and 22 totaling \$99,153 be approved and added to contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the emergency repairs to the boiler pump in the County Building by Temperature Control, Inc. at the cost of \$2,455.40 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Laura Stanek spoke on the public comment "Agenda 21" Freedom Advocates and that the Board has always worked on the rights of property owners, protecting our environment and that each grant application that is brought before the Board is reviewed on an individual basis. The members agreed that the Planning Commission and Health & Public Safety Committee are proactive and will continue to be aware of programs that may have a negative agenda that will impact our citizens.

The Chairman not prepared to set up an advisory committee referred "Agenda 21" concerns to the Health and Public Safety Committee.

Scott Kendzerski, EH Director of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan presented the report on the three (3) water well sample testing sites on behalf of Custer Township. The purpose of the sample was to verify water quality parameters with respect to heavy metals and volatile Organic Compounds, due to the wells' proximity to the historic Antrim-Kalkaska Landfill. The results found that the samples taken on two (2) separate dates November 22, 2013 and December 2, 2013 are within normal background levels or simply may be associated with corrosion of galvanized metals within their distribution system. No result exceeded the Maximum Containment Level (MCL) or Action Level (AL) as established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The MDEQ staff conducted sampling mid-November at the landfill site. Samples collected from two monitoring wells (MW10 and MW15). Samples were collected for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Base Neutral Acid Compounds (BNAs), and Metals and sent to the MDEQ Environmental Laboratory. Data reviewed no exceedances of any VOC or BNA test and there were only a small number of parameters that exceeded drinking water criteria for metals (Arsenic (10ug/L), Zinc (2400ug/L) and Lead (15ug/L). All the results were found to be well below drinking water standards and do not pose a health issue for consumers of water from these locations. The MDEQ will continue to monitor the landfill site.

Roxann Flake, Custer Township Supervisor spoke on behalf of Custer Township and thanked Scott Kendzerski and the Board for their assistance in resolving the issues of the concerned citizens regarding the safety of the water wells near the historic Antrim-Kalkaska Landfill.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Boettcher that the County not be responsible for any associated cost related to a lapse in the certification of the Soil Erosion Officer, Heidi Shaffer. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Ed Boettcher reported that the Road Commission Ad-Hoc Committee will meet February 14, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. with a representative from Michigan Employees Retirement System (MERS) and auditor attending the meeting.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Drenth that the minutes of December 12, 2013 be approved. Motion carried – unanimous.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Dawson that the invoice submitted and denied at the December 12, 2013 meeting by Dean Crandall for the trail building of three (3) miles at Glacial Hills Pathway and Natural Area from October 1, 2013 thru October 31, 2013 at a cost of \$8,494.56 be approved and paid from the Glacial Hills Fund #238 and that no additional trail building be completed unless prior approval has been authorized. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford; No – Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of January 2, 2014 Organizational meeting be approved. Motion carried – unanimous.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

##### Administration & County Services

Laura Stanek, Chairman  
Bernard Blackmore  
Ed Boettcher

##### Health, Animal & Public Safety

Karen Bargo, Chairman  
Christian Marcus  
David Howelman

##### Parks & Lands

Bernard Blackmore, Chairman  
Eugene Dawson  
Ed Boettcher

##### Finance, Ways and Means

Jerrold Drenth, Chairman  
Karen Bargo  
Laura Stanek

##### Human Services

Ed Boettcher, Chairman  
Bernard Blackmore  
David Howelman

##### Buildings and Grounds

David Howelman, Chairman  
Jerrold Drenth  
Laura Stanek

##### Transportation

Eugene Dawson, Chairman  
Karen Bargo  
Christian Marcus

##### Public Works

Christian Marcus, Chairman  
Jerrold Drenth  
Eugene Dawson

## Standing Committee Appointments – continued.

Circuit Court Liaison

Michael Crawford  
Sheryl Guy  
Jerroll Drenth  
Peter Garwood

District Court Liaison

Michael Crawford  
Sheryl Guy  
Jerroll Drenth  
Peter Garwood

Road Commission Ad Hoc

Ed Boettcher, Chairman  
Christian Marcus  
Eugene Dawson  
Fred Hunt  
Ray Ludwa

Other AppointmentsCommissioners and other officers serving on various boards

Antrim County Road Commission  
Antrim Creek natural Area  
Antrim Fair Board Liaison  
Area Agency on Aging  
Community Corrections  
Community Collaborative Board  
Conservation District Liaison  
E-911 Board  
EDC/BRA Board  
Grass River Natural Area Liaison  
Housing Committee

Meadow Brook Liaison  
North County Community Mental Health  
NW MI Community Health Dept.

NW MI Council of Governments  
Northern Lakes Economic Alliance  
Parks & Recreations Advisory  
Planning Commission

Solid Waste/Recycling

Eugene Dawson	term of elected office
Bernard Blackmore	term of elected office
Christian Marcus	term of elected office
Karen Bargo	term of elected office
Ed Boettcher	term of elected office
Bernard Blackmore	term of elected office
David Howelman	term of elected office
Ed Boettcher	term of elected office
Jerroll Drenth	term of elected office
Laura Stanek	term of elected office
Bernard Blackmore	term of elected office
Ed Boettcher	term of elected office
Bernard Blackmore	term of elected office
Christian Marcus	term of elected office
David Howelman	term of elected office
Karen Bargo	term of elected office
Michael Crawford	term of elected office
Eugene Dewey	term of elected office
Michael Crawford	term of elected office
Laura Stanek	term of elected office
Karen Bargo	term of elected office
Eugene Dawson	term of elected office

Other Appointments

Commissioners and other officers serving on various boards - continued

Veteran's Affairs	Ed Boettcher	term of elected office
Northwest MI Substance Abuse	Don Schuitemann	term to expire
		12/31/2014

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the above named appointments to Standing Committees, Other Commissions, and Boards and Commissions to which Commissioners are appointed as representatives be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman reminded the Board that the Michigan Association of Counties Annual Conference is scheduled for March and currently accepting registrations.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: Jerroll Drenth

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Chairman requested Public Comment. David Peterson Jr. presented his report and proposal on the TCE Plume. Robert Wilson and William Bailey spoke of their concerns regarding Agenda 21 and referred to the Resolutions being passed by surrounding counties. Public comment closed at 9:17 a.m.

Mike Meriwether, County Forester spoke on the Conservation District's request to apply for grants to expand the Barnes Park Trail System and for the maintenance of the Cedar River Trails. The grants are offered through the State of Michigan and are both 50% and 25% match grants and the deadline to apply is April 1, 2014. No action taken.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the bid be accepted from Ecklund Forestry for the timber cut on a 100 acre parcel near Ritt Road in the amount of \$5,000. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

Ed Boettcher gave a presentation on the Antrim County Community Web-site portal and the cost saving involved to the County if and when utilized.

County Abstractor Theresa Kent gave the 2013 Abstractor Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the 2013 Abstractor Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Medical Examiner Dewey Benson gave the 2013 Medical Examiner Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the 2013 Medical Examiner Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the claims and accounts totaling \$215,054.06 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.



It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek that when the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Construction Fund #451 is spent down to \$1,000,000.00 that the County be authorized to make the request to the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility that the \$951,662.00 "reserved for construction" be transferred to the County's Meadowbrook Construction Fund #451. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the quote for two (2) remanufactured work stations from Steelcase be accepted for the Building Department at a cost of \$3,315.65 and to be paid from Fund #249 as budgeted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign the MiDeal Member Agreement with the State of Michigan, Department of Technology, Management and Budget (DTMB). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek that the Antrim County Treasurer, Sherry Comben be authorized to complete the paperwork to claim the "Unclaimed Property Claim #940548" funds from the State of Michigan totaling \$1,104.56 FEIN (Federal Tax ID) 36-6000098 and that the appropriate signature be authorized and if at a later date any party should have legal claim to these funds, Antrim County will be responsible for their reimbursement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #09-14 by Karen Bargy, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended (Act 51), it is necessary for the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, (hereby known as THE APPLICANT) established under Act 941-933 to provide a local transportation program for the state fiscal year of 2015 and, therefore, apply for state financial assistance under provisions of Act 51; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the governing body, to name an official representative for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to certify that no changes in eligibility documentation have occurred during the past state fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the performance indicators have been reviewed and approved by the governing body.

WHEREAS, THE APPLICATION, has reviewed and approved the proposed balance (surplus) budget, and funding sources of estimated federal funds \$128,960, estimated state funds \$292,256, estimated local funds \$166,000, estimated fare box \$171,700, estimated other funds \$47,084, with local estimated expenses of \$806,000.

## Resolution #09-14 continued

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that THE APPLICANT hereby makes its intentions known to provide public transportation services and to apply for state financial assistance with this annual plan, in accordance with Act 51; and

HEREBY, appoints Alan Meacham, Antrim County Transportation Director as the Transportation Coordinator, for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51 for 2015.

Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – Drenth.

## RESOLUTION #09-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek that the following computer purchases be approved as budgeted for 2014, total accost not to exceed \$7,604.00:

District Court	1 laptop	\$1,057.40
Family Court	1 laptop	\$1,057.40
County Administrator	1 laptop	\$1,057.40
Accountant	1 laptop	\$1,057.40
Coordinator/Planner	1 computer	\$1,259.60
Construction Code	2 laptops	\$2,114.80

Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the quote from Netech for new software and a server (hardware) for the County phone system at a cost of \$59,646.70 be approved and paid from the Technology Transition Fund #218 as budgeted for equipment. Motion was carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek that the request of Robert Probst, a representative of White Birch Lane subdivision, that the County pay the amount equal to the cost for three (3) lots on White Birch Lane a private road, for the annual maintenance fee for the public use of road to enter Willow Day Park at a cost of \$300.00 be approved and paid from the General Fund, Park Department #755. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the emergency replacement of two (2) furnaces at the Airport by E.H. Niepoth & Sons at a cost of \$3,195 be approved and paid from the Airport Enterprise Fund #581, building maintenance line item. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the repairs to the Airport fuel truck by Antrim County Transportation at a cost of \$3,500, be approved and paid from the Airport Enterprise Fund #581, equipment maintenance line item. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek that the quotes for the Sheriff Department to purchase three (3) dry suits from Scuba North for the Dive Team at a cost of \$4,300, and body armor vests from Armor Express for the Emergency Response Team at a cost of \$1,766 from Armor Express be approved and paid from the General Fund, Capital Outlay Sheriff Equipment. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the two (2) quotes from Tele Rad Inc. (1) #16089-00 for \$6,324.25; and (2) #16092-00 for \$13,065.00 totaling \$19,389.25 for the 911 Dispatch Simulcast System to add equipment to the Mancelona tower to make it a receiver site to address the simulcast radio communication system concerns be approved and paid from 911 Wireless Fund #262. Motion carried as follows: Yes- Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the purchase of three (3) radios from the 911 Operating Fund #261 at a cost of \$3,612.25 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

Operator of Dams and Drain Commissioner Mark Stone gave the 2013 Drain Commissioner and the 2013 Dams Operator Annual Reports.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Drain Commissioner and Dams Operator Annual Reports be accepted. Motion carried – Unanimous.

Gary Knapp and Dean Branson gave the Antrim Coalition United Thru Ecology (ACUTE) committee report on a comprehensive plan that includes a storage tank at Cedar River, an extension of potable water systems to Shanty Creek, and the drilling of a new well east of Mancelona that would provide potable water in anticipation of the plume reaching the Shanty Creek or Cedar River well systems, that funding sources be identified and the DEQ seek funding in their 2015 budget request. The ACUTE committee requested a letter from the Board of Commissioners, supporting the efforts to protect the public health due to the groundwater contamination from trichloroethylene (TCE) in Mancelona.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Boettcher that the County Administrator be directed to draft a letter of support of the efforts of the Antrim Coalition United Through Ecology (ACUTE) to protect the public health due to the groundwater contamination from trichloroethylene (TCE) in Mancelona and the Chairman be authorized to sign. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – Bargy; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the request from Bob Johnson of 7855 Green Street, Helena Township for a septic easement across a parcel of County-owned property be denied. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility renovation project totaling \$321,647.84 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that for the Meadowbrook Renovation project, Owner Change Order #23 totaling \$24,233.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Bellaire Chamber of Commerce be granted use of the Courthouse lawn, the use of an electrical outlet to plug in a “Bouncer” (large inflatable kids’ toy) and parking lot areas surrounding the County Buildings for the Rubber Ducky Festival for the weekend of August 16th. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Marcus the application to the State 911 Committee Public Act No. 32 Primary Public Safety Answering Point Dispatcher Training Distribution for 911 Training Funds, that was submitted by the deadline of February 6, 2014 be approved and authorize appropriate signatures. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman to approve the release of the Performance Bond for the Simulcast System installation and that Tele-Rad Inc. be reimbursed for the cost of the performance bond from the 911 Wireless Fund #262 at a cost of \$3,840. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that Ed Smith be reimbursed for the classes titled Public Speaking, Introduction to Information Security and All Things Digital at the cost of \$3,298.60, per tuition agreement and to be paid from the General Fund budget, Sheriff Department for Training. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher the funds be released and the Register of Deeds, Patty Niepoth begin the hiring process for an irregular part-time (less than 30 hours per week) consistent with the union wage scale for a Deputy II position at the rate of \$13.16 per hour, during the time that the full-time employee is off on leave. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the Resolution: SB 636 Landline Elimination Bill be adopted.

Christian Marcus requested that the Resolution before the Board be **TABLED** for a 30 day review period.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the motion concerning the Resolution for SB 636 Landline Elimination Bill be **tabled** for a 30 day review period. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher the funds be released and the Commission on Aging Director Michael Neubecker begin the hiring process for an irregular part-time assistant cook (less than 30 hours per week) consistent with the union wage scale hire in rate of \$9.84 per hour. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

The Chairman appointed Ron Grammer to the Builder position on the Construction Code Board of Appeals.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the appointment of Ron Grammer to the Builder position on the Construction Code Board of Appeals term to expire 12/31/2016 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the Antrim County Transportation Director, Al Meacham be authorized to increase an irregular part-time employee to a temporary full-time employee (no benefits) until July 1, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Grant Administration Agreement between Antrim County and Jonathan D. Scheel to administer the Antrim County Housing Program as approved by legal. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher the funds be released and authorize the hiring process to begin for a part-time irregular employee at 22.5 hours per week consistent with the union contract wage scale for Clerk II at the rate of \$13.16 per hour in the Equalization Department. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #10-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MERS HYBRID PLAN**

This Resolution is entered into under the provisions of 1996 PA 220 and the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan ("MERS") Restated Plan Document of 2012 (the "MERS Plan Document"), as each may be amended.

**WHEREAS**, the participating entity desires to adopt the MERS Hybrid Plan for its designated employees;

**WHEREAS**, the participating entity has furnished MERS with required data regarding each eligible employee and retiree, and, for employees, MERS' actuary has computed the liabilities for benefits payable and which may become payable (on account of service already, and to be, rendered) with respect to the defined benefit portion of the MERS Hybrid Plan, and the participating entity has furnished MERS with required data regarding each eligible employee and retiree with respect to the defined contribution portion of the MERS Hybrid Plan;

**WHEREAS**, as a condition of MERS membership, and pursuant to the MERS Retirement Board's power as plan administrator and trustee under Plan Document Section 36 and MCL 38. 1536, as each may be amended, it is appropriate and necessary to enter into a binding agreement providing for the administration of the Hybrid Plan, the reporting of wages, and the payment of the required contributions of a participating entity and withholding of employee contributions; now, therefore,

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:**

1. On behalf of the participating entity, the governing body of the County of Antrim adopts the MERS Hybrid Plan in accordance with Plan Section 41 for its eligible employees as described in the MERS Hybrid Adoption Agreement, subject to the MERS Plan Document and as authorized by 1996 PA 220, as both may be amended;
2. The governing body agrees to the terms of and authorizes Chairman of the Board of Commissioners to execute the initial MERS Hybrid Adoption Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and which is hereby incorporated by reference; and

Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #10-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Probate Court, Juvenile Officer be approved a \$50.00 call out pay for work performed on the weekends or after leaving for the day on a weekday, for a minimum period of one hour, and be paid from the General Fund, Family Court budget. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Probate Court, Court Reporter be approved a \$40.00 call out pay for work performed on the weekends or after leaving for the day on a weekday, for a minimum period of one hour, and be paid from the General Fund, Family Court budget. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barge, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that Casey Guthrie, employee of the Equalization Department be recognized for his work keeping the office fully functioning during the absence of an Equalization Director and the absence of a part-time clerk; and that Mr. Guthrie be paid a one-time stipend of \$1,000 for the extra work performed during the period from November 2013 through March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014, pending approval of the Union, approve and pay from the General Fund Equalization Department budget. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barge, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the County Building 1<sup>st</sup> floor copier quote Option #3 from Xerox as follows:

Replace the current work room Xerox copier with a new leased copier

The current work room Xerox copier moving to the Register of Deeds Office (the lease to be paid out of the Register of Deeds Automation Fund)

Buy out the current Register of Deeds copier for \$500 and move the Xerox to the Clerk's Office

Moving the Clerk's Office copier to another office in need (to be determined)

The total annual cost of Xerox Option #3 is \$5,306.16 (a savings of \$307.32 per year). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barge, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of January 9, 2014 be approved. Motion carried – unanimous.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Barge that the 2014 Airport Improvement Program (AIP), current five-year plan be approved to allow revisions to reflect the snow blower purchase and adjustments to the plan. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barge, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

The Chairman requested Public comment. Bonnie Robbins spoke on behalf of the Community Resource Development (CRD) and seeks an appropriation to start up in the amount of \$2,000. The Board directed Ms. Robbins to provide additional information and present a plan to the Administration Committee. David Peterson spoke on the TCE Plume, encouraged the Board to proceed with caution when seeking funding from the State and has concerns of possible local match requirements. Public comment closed at 1:43 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

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Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Pete Garwood introduced Karleen Helmreich the new Antrim County Equalization Director. Janet Koch reminded members of the NLEA Luncheon. Public comment closed at 9:23 a.m.

RESOLUTION #11-14 by Laura Stanek and seconded by Ed Boettcher

**RESOLUTION P.A. OF 2013 VETERANS PROPERTY TAX HB 5215**

**WE**, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

**WHEREAS**, P.A. 161 of 2013 enacted certain exemptions for disabled veterans pertaining to the payment of property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners supports the State of Michigan's efforts to help disabled veterans financially, however this non-collection of property tax will result in a loss of revenue for local municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, HB 5215 will require the State to "reimburse a local tax collecting unit for any revenue lost as a result of the exemption...",

**WHEREAS**, this Board supports this proposed legislation; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners support HB 5215 as written; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Michigan counties, Representative Greg MacMaster, Senator Howard Walker, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #11-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #12-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Ed Boettcher

**OPPOSE SB 636 - LANDLINE ELIMINATION**

**WE**, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

**WHEREAS**, SB 636 and/or its subsequent substitutions would revise the procedure by which a telephone provider could discontinue basic local exchange service beginning January 1, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, this legislation could diminish the Michigan Public Service Commission's (MPSC) role in allowing a telephone provider to discontinue service and potentially put the decision-making function with the Federal Communications Commission unless a customer requests the MPSC to investigate the availability of comparable voice service with reliable access to 911 and emergency services; and

**WHEREAS**, comparable voice services such as VoIP and wireless service can be unreliable and/or non-existent in rural areas and during power outages; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board feels that landlines remain the best form of service for Antrim County and other rural communities; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners opposes SB 636 for the above reasons; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Michigan counties, Representative Greg MacMaster, Senator Howard Walker, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #12-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #13-14 by Laura Stanek and seconded by Ed Boettcher

**HB 5253 SHARED EQUALIZATION DIRECTOR TUSCOLA AND HURON COUNTIES 2007**

**WE**, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

**WHEREAS**, Huron County entered into an Interlocal Agreement with Tuscola County in 2007 to share Tuscola County's Equalization Director; and

RESOLUTION #13-14 continued.

**WHEREAS**, this collaboration has worked flawlessly and is an excellent example of Governor Snyder's requirement that local municipalities collaborate and consolidate services; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2013 this collaboration was called into question by the State Tax Commission, which stated in a letter dated December 17, 2013 that "this will be the last waiver that will be approved for Tuscola and Huron Counties shared MAAO (3) Equalization Director"; and

**WHEREAS**, HB 5253 would allow the collaboration between Tuscola and Huron Counties, and likely other counties, to continue and allow counties to save money; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners supports HB 5253 as it will allow collaborations among counties, which will allow all the counties to save money; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Michigan counties, Representative Greg MacMaster, Senator Howard Walker, Governor Rick Snyder, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – Bargy;

Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #13-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #14-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

#### **REVENUE SHARING**

**WHEREAS**, In the Governor's recommendation for the FY 2015 budget, counties are scheduled to receive 100% full funding of revenue sharing totaling \$211,134,899; and

**WHEREAS**, This will bring counties to the level of revenue sharing agreed upon in 2004 for the 2005 FY; and

**WHEREAS**, The attached spreadsheet details the full funding allocations for FY 2015 for each county; and

**WHEREAS**, This marks the first time in fourteen years that the administration has recommended full funding for county revenue sharing; and

**WHEREAS**, counties have worked diligently for the past decade by leading the effort to reform, consolidate, and right size government in an effort to increase efficiency and adjust declining revenues; and

RESOLUTION #14-14 Continued.

**WHEREAS**, Revenue sharing is more than just a pot of money to be allocated in whole or in part to counties but is a statutory promise made to counties in exchange for giving up local taxing authority and for a more recent change in local taxing administration; and

**WHEREAS**, Revenue sharing is used by counties to pay for the multitude of state mandated services including the courts, the jails, the constitutional officers, elections and the public health system and, coupled with the recent reductions in property values and increased mandated state services delivery, counties are stretched to the financial limit; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Antrim County Board of Commissioners would like to thank the Governor for fully funding county revenue sharing payments for fiscal year 2015;

**THEREFORE BE IT ALSO RESOLVED**, That the Antrim County Board of Commissioners call upon the state legislature to live up to their promise and adopt the Governor's recommendation for fully funding county revenue sharing in FY 2015;

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor, our State Legislators, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION # 14-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Frank Bednarek representative of Hooker DeJong Architects appeared as requested by the Board to speak on the rising concerns with the Meadowbrook Construction and Renovations Project and the change orders of the project with increasing cost. Reporting that changes are not uncommon with a project of this size, he re-assured members that Hooker DeJong Architects team of engineers on this project are working very closely with the project manager. The formula in the contract dictates the dollar amount Hooker-DeJong would be liable for the change orders would have to amount to at least \$407,000 (which is 2% on the new construction and 4% on the renovated construction). The amount of change orders is currently estimated to be \$259,000. Heating system concerns were addressed, and re-assurances given that they are in the process of reviewing the contract plans to come to a solution to remedy the heating system problem.

Heidi Shaffer presented the Antrim County Soil Erosion 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the 2013 Soil Erosion Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Mike Meriwether presented the Antrim County Forestry 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Antrim County Forestry Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Kristy Mortham presented the Antrim County Conservation District 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the 2013 Antrim County Conservation District Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Bob Massey presented the Antrim County Building Code 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the 2013 Antrim County Building Code Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Haley Breniser presented the Grass River Natural Area 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the 2013 Grass River Natural Area Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Judge Norman Hayes presented the Antrim County Probate and Family Court 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Antrim County Probate and Family Court Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried - unanimous.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargy that the 2014 budget amendments at a cost of \$108,867 as presented by the County Accountant Deb Haydell be approved for the wage increases and the all increases associated with those wages for the 2014 budget for the General Fund and Other Funds and the funds be taken from contingencies and added to the appropriate budgets. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded Stanek that the quote from Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC for the professional services contract, for the Antrim County Audit for the years 2014, 2015, 2016 at a cost of \$22,000 for each year and the Antrim County Transportation Audit services for the years 2014, 2015, 2016 at a cost of \$2,500 for each year and if the County needs additional accounting services this would be billed at their standard hourly rates be accepted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – Boettcher; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek that the invoice from the Health Department of Northwest Michigan for the testing of three (3) drinking water well sites in the vicinity of the Antrim-Kalkaska County Landfill at a cost of \$576, be approved and paid from the 2013 budget General Fund Special Projects – contractual services. Motion carried as follows: Yes - Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek the emergency repairs to the northeast corner of the roof at the 1905 Courthouse by Northern Restoration & Waterproof System, Inc. at the cost of \$1,269.43 be approved and paid from the General Fund '05 Courthouse for building maintenance. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek that the quote from the Forensic Store for the purchase of a new forensic computer (EDAS Ultimate Investigator v2) for the Sheriff Department at the cost of \$10,995, be approved and paid as budgeted in the General Fund, Capital Outlay for sheriff equipment. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargo the claims and accounts totaling \$289,791.36 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. for lunch

**P.M.**

The meeting reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Marcus that the Chairman and County Clerk be authorized to sign the Antrim County Airport Land Lease between Antrim County and Precision Aero, LLC. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargo that the Antrim County Airport Director, Mr. Strehl move forward with the fuel truck repainting project and receive quotes in compliance with the current Antrim County Bid Policy. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargo that the Antrim County Airport continue to purchase the liability insurance from NationAir for one (1) year (March 15, 2014 to March 15, 2015) in the amount of \$7,007, be approved and paid from the Airport Fund #581 budget. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Christian Marcus left the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that at the request from Sherri DeCamp of Art Rapids! that the Board allow a free concert to take place in the Elk Rapids Day Park on August 7, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Howelman the Commission on Aging 2014 Budget Amendments to include 9 months of the State of Michigan's current fiscal year budget and 3 months of the State's fiscal year budget for 2015, be changed so the Commission on Aging budget matches the County's fiscal year. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Area Seniors, Inc. and the Antrim County Commission on Aging. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility renovation project totaling \$287,214.86 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that for the Meadowbrook Renovation project, Owner Change #24 totaling \$42,855.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the request from the Bellaire Chamber of Commerce for the use of an electrical outlet on the evening of July 22, 2014 for an evening Music Downtown event be approved pending the review and recommendation of David Vitale, Maintenance Director. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the original invoice from ABI (the mechanical contractor for the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Construction Project), for the disputed items in the amount of \$26,000, primarily for the fireplaces and the reworking of the gas line; the total of fireplaces is eight (8) in the facility, but ABI had contended that only one (1) was specified. ABI proposed a settlement for all disputed claims from the original invoice of \$26,000 and proposed the reduced invoice in the amount of \$13,500; Gas line changes totaling \$7,400 have already been included in the projected costs charged to Contingencies, accept the proposed settlement and that \$6,100 be added to the costs charged to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – Marcus.

The Chairman requested that the Human Services Committee review the Antrim County and Meadowbrook MCF contract over the Meadowview Apartments.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Antrim County GIS Technician, Julie Weston be approved to participate in a steering committee for the Maury Creek Management Plan and use office time to prepare digital maps for the project with the Equalization Director, Karleen Helmreich approval. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Chairman and County Clerk be authorized to sign the Lawyer-Guardian Ad Litem Contract for Child Welfare Cases – Antrim County 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Family Division and Lawyer-Guardian Ad Litem Anthony R. Wittbrodt, effective date March 15, 2014 to December 31, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Fiscal Year 2012 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Grant No. EMW-2012-EP-00033 as additional funds have been identified and are available for distribution to the local programs under the Fiscal Year 2012 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) in the amount of \$4,146.84. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the revised letter to Robert Wagner, Division Chief of the DEQ Remediation and Redevelopment Division regarding the efforts of the Antrim County Coalition United Through Ecology (ACUTE) to protect the public health due to the groundwater contamination from the trichloroethylene (TCE) plume in Mancelona. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.



It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of March 13, 2014 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Marcus.

The Chairman requested Public Comment: There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Lee Whipple a representative of the Meadow Brook Family and Friends Council spoke of the concerns that the council is not being recognized by the Meadowbrook MCF Board. Public comment closed at 9:10 a.m.

Peter Garwood reported that Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) is willing to facilitate the EDC/BRA through the process of planning and marketing for the Antrim County Business Parks located in Mancelona Township and offered an outline of strategic plan.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$389,062.59 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Resolution #17-13 Amendment by Jerroll Drenth, seconded by Laura Stanek

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2014 ANTRIM COUNTY BUDGET  
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT AND MILLAGES**

**Adopted: October 10, 2013**

**Amended: April 10, 2014**

**The Antrim County Budget, General Fund Appropriations will remain unchanged from the original  
Resolution #17-13 adopted and dated October 10, 2013.**

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners has set the millage rate of 5.40 for General Operations, 0.40 for Commission on Aging, 0.50 for 911 Central Dispatch and 1.00 for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Operating and Renovations, and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has prepared and is recommending a General Fund budget based on the millage rate of 5.40 for General Fund operations,

Resolution #17-13 amendment continued.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners reaffirms the following millage rates are 5.40 for General Operating, 0.40 for Commission on Aging, 0.50 for 911 Central Dispatch and 1.00 for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Operating and Renovations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following General Fund Budget for 2014:

**(The Antrim County Budget, General Fund Appropriations will remain unchanged from the original)**

**Resolution #17-13 adopted and dated October 10, 2013.**

**No changes to Budget Numbers**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following policies for implementation of the 2014 General Fund Budget:

1. That any increase in Total Receipts or Total Expenditures shall be approved in advance by action of the Board of Commissioners.
2. That the Budget Chief Administrative Officer shall be the County Accountant, with direct oversight by the Finance Committee.
3. That over-expenditure of the total budget of any General Fund Cost Center must be accompanied by a proposed budget amendment and must be approved in advance by the Board of Commissioners.
4. That any position or supplement adopted for 2014 which is reimbursed by grants or other monies from an outside unit may be terminated if the grant and/or other reimbursements are discontinued.
5. That, if any position should become vacant any time after November 2013, the position shall immediately and automatically be deleted from the 2014 budget of the Cost Center involved and the monies shall be transferred to contingencies, until such time as the position may be reinstated by the Board of Commissioners or its designated representative and a new wage or salary is established.
6. Items included in the budget with a value of less than \$5,000 shall be considered "equipment" and items with a value of \$5,000 or more shall be considered a depreciating "capital outlay" through the fixed asset program.
7. Budgeted equipment purchases of up to \$1,000 may be made by a department head. Documentation of the department head's purchase process, including their attempt to get three quotes or the reason why it was not feasible, shall be presented to the Purchasing Agent. If the department head wants to use the fund for anything other than what it was originally budgeted for, they must go back to their oversight committee and the Finance Committee for approval.

Resolution #17-13 amendment continued.

8. Budgeted equipment purchases from \$1,001 to \$4,999 may be made with prior approval of the Finance Committee at the time of contemplated purchase. Three quotes should be presented. Documentation of the department head's purchase process, including their attempt to get three quotes or the reason why it was not feasible, shall be presented.
9. Any capital outlay purchase of \$5,000 and over, the exception being computer network related purchases, must comply with the sealed bids policy and be approved in advance by the Board of Commissioners. Capital outlay purchases must have a Purchase Order number assigned and during that process the Accountant/Purchasing Agent will determine as to whether an item is a capital matter or not if the question arises.
10. Computers shall be grouped together, when possible, and purchased through a competitive quote process. Computers will be treated as a depreciating capital outlay through the fixed asset program.
11. That no appropriation be paid to a non-profit Organization not affiliated with Antrim County as a government entity until such time as a contract between Antrim County and the non-profit Organization in question is approved.
12. That the Accountant is authorized to make transfers between line items (excluding salaries, wages, overtime, all fringe benefit line items, training, capital outlay, and specific appropriations) of up to \$1,000 within the Cost Center provided sufficient data is provided by the Department Head definitely showing that the Cost Center's total budget will not at any time during the budget year be increased as a result of the transfer.
13. The Finance Committee is authorized to make transfers between Cost Centers over \$1,000 within the General Fund as long as it does not result in an increase of the overall General Fund Budget, and from fund to fund of up to \$10,000.
14. That any question concerning assignment of GL account to any purchase will be decided by the Accountant.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #17-13 AMENDMENT OF APRIL 10, 2014 TO THE 2014 ANTRIM COUNTY BUDGET,  
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT AND MILLAGES.**

**DECLARED ADOPTED.**

Ed Boettcher, Chair of the Antrim County Road Commission Ad-Hoc Committee reported the study of advantages and disadvantages of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners overseeing the Antrim County Road Commission has been completed. It is the consensus of the Committee to recommend to the Board that the Antrim County Road Commission structure remain unchanged.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Marcus that the recommendation of the Antrim County Ad-Hoc Committee be accepted and that the Antrim County Road Commission structure remain unchanged. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Marna Roberts presented the Meadow Brook Antrim County Medical Care Facility 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Meadow Brook Antrim County Medical Care Facility Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Wayne Schmidt introduced himself to the Board as he is running for the office of State Senator – 37<sup>th</sup> District.

David Schultz presented the Meadow View Antrim County Senior Housing 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Meadow View Antrim County Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Andy Hayes presented the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Northern Lakes Economic Alliance Annual Report. Motion carried – unanimous.

Scott Papineau presented the Antrim County Surveyor 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the 2013 Antrim County Surveyor Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Alan Meacham presented the Antrim County Transportation FY 2013 (October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013) Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Marcus the FY 2013 (October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013) Antrim County Transportation Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the application for a 2% Tribal Grant for 911 Signage be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Boettcher that the 2014 Annual SNC-301 report, Fifteenth Year Certification Eligibility, Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Status Report to the Legislatures be approved and authorize the Director of 911 Sgt. Steve Bratschi to sign. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the application for a 2% Tribal Grant for the purposes of bringing the Mancelona tower fully into the Simulcast system be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Marcus that the application for a 2% Tribal Grant for the purchase of the MCC 5500 Dispatch console be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Marcus the State of Michigan 2013-2014 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Planning Program Grant Agreement be approved and that the Chairman be authorized to sign the agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Ed Boettcher reported on the status of the Capital Improvement Committee, working with department heads for a future realistic ten (10) year roll out.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Boettcher that the bid be accepted from Northern Floor and Tile in the amount of \$6,461.00 for the Barnes Park Shower Retiling project and that the project will not include the additional amount requested of \$480 for heating costs. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Blackmore left the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility renovation project totaling \$387,279.87 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore; Abstained – Boettcher.

Blackmore returned to the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that for the Meadowbrook Renovation project, Owner Change Orders # 25 and #26 totaling \$32,962.00 be approved and paid and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None; Abstained – Boettcher.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the invoice from Temperature Control to clean the heat exchanger on one of the boilers in the 1905 Courthouse at a cost of \$1,165.00 be paid from the General Fund, 1905 Courthouse budget. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargy that the new titles and descriptions of Essential Duties for two (2) positions at the Antrim County Transportation be approved as follows: (1) Title: Head Dispatcher and (2) Title: Head Mechanic. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargy that for the Antrim County Transportation Director be authorized to reclassify a position from Irregular Part Time Driver/Dispatcher to the position of Regular Part Time. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Eugene Dawson spoke to the Board on his request to put a County Wide Road Millage Proposal of 1 Mill on the upcoming August 5, 2014 Primary Election. The deadline for filing the Proposal/Ballot Language for the August Primary is May 13, 2014 and the General Election date is November 5, 2014. The deadline for filing the Proposal/Ballot Language for the November 5, 2014 General Election is August 12, 2014.

The Chairman assigned the Transportation Committee the task to investigate this request and meet with legal counsel, to review the impact a County-Wide Road Proposal may or may not have on the Townships that currently have road millage and meet with Burt Thompson Director of the Antrim County Road Commission. The Transportation Committee will complete their study and compile a report to present to Board.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the agreement between Netech and the Antrim County - UC Upgrade (phone system) be approved and authorize the IT Director Valerie Craft and the Chairman to sign the agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo the funds be released and the Sheriff, Dan Bean begin the hiring process for the soon to be vacated Sergeant position and to refill the deputy position that would be vacated if a deputy is promoted into the sergeant position. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore to rescind the 2012 Grant Agreement for Housing and authorize an application for a 2013 Housing grant. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Boettcher that the Register of Deeds, Patty Niepoth be authorized to make the current temporary part-time employee a permanent irregular part-time employee not to exceed 29 hours per week. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Crawford; No – Drenth, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; Absent – None. **MOTION DENIED**

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Boettcher that the Register of Deeds current temporary part-time employee position not to exceed 29 hours, be extended to September 30, 2014 and the Register of Deeds and the Administration Committee will re- evaluate the Register's needs prior to September 30, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – Howelman; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the County Clerk, Sheryl Guy be authorized to hire a temporary part time employee in her office for up to eight (8) weeks as follows: for training (before employee takes leave) at the rate of 10 hours per week in the months of May, June and July then the hours will be increased to 15 hours per week for the remaining months the current full time employee is off on maternity leave and will not exceed the amount currently budgeted for this position. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Vice-Chairman be authorized to sign the State of Michigan, Michigan Department of State and Antrim County Grant Agreement for the Qualified Voter File (QVF) Oracle/Equipment Upgrade Project Funded by the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), Title II, and Section 251. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent –None.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Economic Development Corporation	Bonnie Robbins	term expires	12/31/2016
Housing Committee	Bonnie Robbins	term expires	01/01/2017
Solid Waste and Recycling Council	Heather Butler	term expires	12/31/2016
Planning Commission	Bill Bailey	term expires	12/31/2016



It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the above appointments be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the funds be released and the hiring process begin to fill the vacancy of Emergency Services Coordinator Carl Goeman due to his retirement effective July 12, 2014 and that the position be filled with a one (1) month overlap for training purposes. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the County Administrator and the Administration Committee review the Emergency Services Coordinator job position description. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – Bargy; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of March 13, 2014 be approved. Motion carried – unanimous.

The Chairman announced that there will be a Special Board of Commissioners meeting on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. to review the 2014 Antrim County Equalization Report.

The Chairman requested Public Comment: Scott Sentier requested that the Board consider evening meetings, Antrim County Road Commission consider Sunday plowing, the need for additional boat ramps in Antrim County to access the lakes, concerns over Cedar River well system and part-time employment concerns. Bonnie Robbins thanked the Board for their work to form plans to work toward funding sources in regards to the TCE Plume and thanked the Board for her appointments to the Antrim County Housing and the Economic Development committees. Public Comment closed at 1:43 p.m.

Karen Bargy asked the County Administrator the status of his research on the meeting structure of County Boards and on the hybrid structure: committee-of-the-whole. The County Administrator Pete Garwood reported that he is still gathering information and the study will be presented in a spreadsheet as directed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

Vice Chairman Bernard Blackmore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: Michael Crawford

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Vice Chairman requested Public Comment. Lee Whipple a representative of the Meadowbrook Family and Friends Council spoke on the concerns of the Meadowbrook Board and the management at Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility. He also spoke on the Star Rating System which rates the quality of health care and staffing of care facilities. Linda Gallagher, Chairman of the Petoskey Stone Festival reported on the progress of the Festival scheduled for May 24, 2014. David Schulz – Meadowbrook Administration spoke on the Star Rating System and the concerns of Mr. Whipple and the Meadowbrook Family and Friends Counsel. Public comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

Pete Garwood County Administrator requested that the Board approve a letter of support for central dispatch centers from the eight (8) counties in the Northwest Michigan working together to obtain a Competitive Grant Assistance Program Application (FY 2014 – Round 2), to enable them to work together collaboratively and to create a stronger and more reliable Emergency Communications Network between the central dispatch centers. Sheriff, Dan Bean has informed the Administration department that he has a vacant Deputy/Certified Road Officer position that will need to be addressed by Board to start the hiring process.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Bargy that a letter of support be approved and that the Vice Chairman be authorized to sign the letter of support for the central dispatch centers from the eight (8) counties in the Northwest Michigan working together to obtain a Competitive Grant Assistance Program Application (FY 2014 – Round 2). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the funds be released and that the Sheriff, Dan Bean begin the hiring process to fill a full time Deputy/Certified Road Officer position which has recently become vacant. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek the claims and accounts totaling \$189,153.81 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek that the County sponsored grant application for 2% funds from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians acting as the fiduciary for Antrim County High Tea for Breast Cancer, a non-profit organization that the grant funds in the amount of \$10,000, be released from the Antrim County Breast Cancer/Grand Traverse Band Grant Fund #280 to Antrim County High Tea. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargy that improvements at the Cedar River Natural Area be approved in the amount of \$7,500 and to be paid from the Forestry Fund #230. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Drenth seconded by Bargy that \$3,805.63 be transferred from the 2014 General Fund, fund balance to the Energy Savings Fund #242. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

RESOLUTION #15-2014 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Karen Bargy

#### **TITLE VI PLAN**

##### **WHEREAS:**

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1965 prohibits discrimination by agencies utilizing federally assisted programs;
- Antrim County receives federal funds in support of operations by the Antrim County Transportation (ACT) program;
- The Antrim County Transportation (ACT) Director revised the Antrim County Title VI Plan in accordance with the Federal Transit Administration Title VI Circular 4702.1B; and,
- The Antrim County Board of Commissioners wishes to communicate to the Michigan Department of Transportation that it complies with Title VI,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopted the attached Title VI Plan.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – Crawford.

RESOLUTION #15-2014 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Burt Thompson, Engineer-Manager of the Antrim County Road Commission presented preliminary ideas with proposals for a county-wide road millage, an early version of three (3) plan options for discussion. These options reflect how proposed millage monies could be distributed to the townships for road improvement purposes in the individual townships. The Board of County Road Commissioners would have to make the final approval to proceed.

It was moved by Dawson, that the Board of Commissioners approve a County Wide Road Millage and that language be placed on the ballot at the General election dated Tuesday, November 4, 2014. ***Motion died for lack of support.***

Deborah Peters, Director of Veterans Affairs presented the 2013 Veterans Affairs Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the 2013 Veterans Affairs Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Valerie Craft, Director Information Technology Department presented the 2013 Information Technology Department Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the 2013 Information Technology Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Daniel Bean, Sheriff presented the 2013 Antrim County Sheriff Offices Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the 2013 Antrim County Sheriff Offices Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Christine Crissman presented the 2013 Watershed Center Grand Traverse Bay Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that 2013 Watershed Center Grand Traverse Bay Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Jill Porter, Assistant Director presented the 2013 Traverse Area District Library, Talking Book Library Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Traverse Area District Library, Talking Book Library Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

John Strehl, Airport Manager presented the 2013 Antrim County Airport Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the 2013 Antrim County Airport Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Carl Goeman, Coordinator Emergency Management presented the 2013 Antrim County Emergency Management Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the 2013 Antrim County Emergency Management Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

Crystal Swain, Board Trustee of the Antrim County Fair presented the 2013 Antrim County Fair Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus the 2013 Antrim County Fair Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – unanimous.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Howelman that the Chairman and the Director of Commission on Aging be authorized to sign the contract for Non-Skilled Community Health Nursing Services between Antrim County on behalf of the Commission on Aging and the Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency, a two (2) year contract be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the Agreement between Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan (AAANM) and Aging and Disability Resource Collaborative – Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (ADRC-MIPPA) Agreement be approved and the Chairman be authorized to sign the agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the Notice of Contract Award – Nutrition Award Amendment for FY 2014 be approved, pending legal review and the appropriate person be authorized to sign the contract. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent - Crawford.

Jonathan Scheele Antrim County Housing Director introduced himself to the Board.

Vice Chairman Bernard Blackmore made the appointment of Ed Boettcher to the Glacial Hills Partnership Agreement Advisory Board.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman that the appointment of Ed Boettcher to the Glacial Hills Partnership Agreement Advisory Board be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Drenth that the 2014 Remonumentation Grant Agreement be approved and that the Grant Administrator, Peter Garwood be authorized to sign the agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Renovation Project totaling \$385,715.01 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order #27 totaling \$63,993.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore; Marcus; No – None; Abstained – Boettcher; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the two quotes be accepted for the installation of the automatic handicap door opener at the Senior Center from Great Lakes Automatic Door, Inc. in the amount of \$1,790.00 and the quote from Arndt Electric Service, Inc. for the electric hook up of automatic doors at the cost of \$265.00, the project total being \$ 2,055.00 to be paid from Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Board approve a Transfer of Leadership of the Antrim County Commission on Aging Directors position as follows: An Interim Commission on Aging Director position be filled by the current Commission on Aging Office Manager, Judy Parliament effective May 12, 2014 and that a salary for this position be \$42,499.00; and that the current Commission on Aging Director, Michael Neubecker be reclassified to an Assistant Director position, effective May 12, 2014 and that a salary for this position be \$39,137.00; both positions will maintain all their current benefits and that both positions be non-union. The funds will remain in the 2014 budget for the Office Manager position for the wages and the benefits pending a decision to fill the position prior to the end of the year. Motion carried as follows: Yes- Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

Laura Stanek reported that she had received complaints of debris around the Bellaire recycling site located at the Antrim County Transportation parking lot. Peter Garwood reported that American Waste has been notified and immediately sent employees to clean up the site.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of April 10, 2014 and the minutes of the Special meeting of April 24, 2014 be approved. Motion carried – unanimous.

Ed Boettcher spoke on his concerns over the upcoming 2015 budget process and if the Finance, Committee is preparing to direct the department heads to request leaner budget proposals? Jerroll Drenth and Laura Stanek stated that the Finance Committee will soon be starting the 2015 budget process and that the committee will continue to work with all the department heads and assess their needs as they have in the past.

Public Comment: None

The meeting adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

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Bernard Blackmore, Vice Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Invocation offered by David Howelman

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Lee Whipple spoke on behalf of Friends and Family Council and provided a copy of the Meadow Brook Survey Protocol. Linda Gallagher spoke on the success of the Petoskey Stone Festival and thanked the Board for their continued support. Tony Cutler introduced himself to the Board as he is running for the office of Representative in State Legislature - in the 105<sup>th</sup> District. Carl Goeman, Emergency Services Director spoke of his appreciation to the Board for their support and cooperation in the eleven (11) years that he has worked for Antrim County. The Board expressed their gratitude for all his work in and for Antrim County and wished him well in his retirement. Public comment closed at 9:20 a.m.

Judge Michael Haley and Carol Stocking, Court Administrator gave the 86<sup>th</sup> District Court 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Stanek the 86<sup>th</sup> District Court 2013 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

James Rossiter gave an update on the civil issues and contracts that he is currently working on for the County: Glacial Hills Partnership Agreement, Airport Snow Blower Project, County Air Conditioner upgrade, Maximus Contract, Civil fee structure and he is currently reviewing all County Ordinances.

Peter Garwood requested that the Simplex Grinnell Contract be approved at the cost of \$4,823.00 per year for three (3) years for the Simplex Programmable Fire Alarm System - Test and inspect - parts and labor (Panel & Peripherals) and that the contract be paid from the General Fund, County Building as budgeted.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the Antrim County Courthouse and Simplex Grinnell Agreement as approved by legal counsel for three (3) years dated December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2016 at a cost of \$4,823.00 per year and to be paid from the General Fund, County Building as budgeted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.



It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Antrim County Courthouse and Simplex Grinnell Agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Agreement between Maximus Consulting Services, Inc. (Consultant), and Antrim County, (Client) with the effective date of May 8, 2014 and shall remain in effect for thirty-six (36) months as approved by legal counsel. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek the claims and accounts totaling \$319,419.18 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek that the invoice submitted by Tom Zick for the cost of the Antrim County Road Commission Audit for Fiscal Year 2013, at the cost of \$4,825.00, be approved and paid from the General Fund, Budgeting-Accounting Services Department, this audit is a component needed for the overall County audit yearly and the Road Commission is required under law to have audits every two (2) years, therefore the County has paid for the audit on the off years to meet our requirements. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Howelman the millage rate for the County Operating millage be set at 5.4000 mills, the E-911 Operating Fund #261 be set at 0.5000 mill; the millage rate for Commission on Aging be set at 0.4000, and Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility Operating and Renovations be set at 1.0000 mill. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargo that the contractor invoice from Eckler Building Solutions for work on the pavilion at the Elk Rapids Day Park at the cost of \$30,600.00 be approved and paid from the General Fund, Capital Outlay as budgeted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

James Rossiter, Antrim County Prosecuting Attorney presented the Antrim County Prosecuting Attorney 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Howelman that the 2013 Antrim County Prosecuting Attorney Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Judge Thomas Power presented the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that the 2013 - 13th Circuit Court Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Alexis Kaczynski, Executive Director presented the North Country Community Mental Health 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Stanek that the North Country Community Mental Health 2013 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Lynn Spearing, Coordinator presented the Antrim County Community Collaborative 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman that the Antrim County Community Collaborative 2013 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Amy Beyer, Director presented the Antrim Conservation Resource Alliance 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman that the Antrim County Conservation Resource Alliance 2013 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the Antrim County Capital Improvements Plan for 2015-2020 be approved as presented and that the plan be reviewed and updated yearly. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Patrick Cudney, District Coordinator presented the Michigan State University (MSU) Extension 2013 Antrim County Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that the Michigan State University (MSU) Extension 2013 Antrim County Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #16-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

**COMMEMORATING 100 YEARS OF COOPERATIVE EXTENSION  
A DIVISION OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

**WHEREAS**, the acts of Congress on May 8 and June 30, 1914, solidified the development of a nationwide extension program through the Smith-Lever Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Extension services are provided through the country's land grant universities and Michigan State University (then Michigan Agricultural College) was the first land grant university, and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of MSU Extension is to help people improve their lives through an educational process that applies knowledge to critical issues, needs and opportunities, and

**WHEREAS**, the Antrim County MSU Extension Office began its education through the direction of its first County Agricultural Agent, Rollin D. Bailey on May 1, 1917 through a cooperative agreement with Antrim County, and

Resolution #16-14 continued.

**WHEREAS**, Michigan State University Extension services continue to bring the research of the university to the community and offers 4-H programs, Agricultural Programs, Family Nutrition, Children & Youth Education, Lawn and Garden Information, and programs directed at Michigan's Natural Resources; and

**WHEREAS**, 2014 marks one-hundred years of collaboration between the federal government, the state of Michigan, Antrim County, and the Extension Office of Michigan State University.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners acknowledges and appreciates all the efforts and partnership of and with the Extension Office in Antrim County and the research based educational programs that have served Antrim County citizens for the past 97 years.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION # 16-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the bid for the County Building roof top Condensing Unit and Coil replacement in the air handling unit be awarded to Temperature Control, Inc. at a cost of \$86,400 and not to exceed \$91,016, if replaced on an emergency basis and that the County Administrator and legal be authorized to negotiate a liquidated damages clause (financial penalty) in the contract if they do not meet the timeline stated in their bid. If Temperature Control, Inc. does not accept the terms of the bid award, the bid will be awarded to Ballard's Plumbing and Heating at the cost of \$81,800 and not to exceed \$85,418, if replaced on the emergency basis. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Ed Boettcher stated that he will from this day forward be casting a vote on the motions brought before the Board involving the Meadow Brook Renovation Project. He has abstained in the past due to conflict of interest; he no longer has any financial interest or gain in the Meadow Brook Renovation Project.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Renovation Project totaling \$441,207.83 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order # 28 and #29 totaling \$48,263.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, that the Board of Commissioners approve a County Wide Road Millage and that language be placed on the ballot at the General election dated Tuesday, November 4, 2014. ***Motion died for lack of support.***

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the Emergency Services Coordinator position be offered to Leslie Meyers and if she doesn't accept the position or meet the pre-employment requirements, the position is to be offered to Richard (Mike) Montgomery and if he doesn't accept the position or meet the pre-employment requirements, the position is to be offered to Michael Bertram. The position will include use of a County vehicle to be used for daily driving for official business. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Thomas Communication Services, Inc. (TCS) and Antrim County contract for labor and material to provide utility locating in coordination with Miss Dig, following local, state, and federal guidelines and standard locating practices at the cost of \$60.00 per hour straight time, \$85.00 per hour after 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday and \$120.00 per hour for any time on a Sunday or national holiday. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – Marcus; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the agreement for the "Transfer of Leadership of the Commission on Aging" be amended due to a change in the retirement date for Michael Neubecker from October 10, 2014 to September 30, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Board support the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments (NWMCOG) and the Workforce Development Board (WDB) to meet together as a Regional Prosperity Board in the spirit of Michigan's Regional Prosperity Initiative to take advantage of joint purchasing, meet as a joint board, and other benefits in accordance with the State's Regional Prosperity Initiative. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the fee be waived for the sharing of Geographical Information Systems (GIS) data layers with the League of Women Voters (a non-profit organization) contingent upon the signing of the Antrim County Data Transmission Agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that a letter of support be prepared for the Northwest Michigan Council Action Agency (NMCAA), grant application and the request for a 2% grant for the support with their Homeless Prevention program and for the client assistance program in Antrim County from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and that the County act as the fiduciary for the grant if awarded and at no cost to County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #17-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR FY 2015**

**WHEREAS**, In July of 2012 the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approved submission the 3-year Plan and Application to the Department of Corrections, Office of Communication Alternatives (Resolution 104-2012); and,

**WHEREAS**, the grant was for three (3) years starting with fiscal year 2013 and was consistent with the prior year's funding amount; and,

**WHEREAS**, now, application requires renewal approval from the Antrim County Board of Commissioners to continue funding for the next fiscal year with no changes or amendments.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT** Antrim County approve the submission of the Community Corrections FY 2015 Grant Renewal Application and Plan as presented.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #17-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Chairman made the appointment of Michele Nerone to the Antrim Creek Natural Area Commission to expire January 1, 2016.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the appointment of Michele Nerone to the Antrim Creek Natural Area Commission to expire January 1, 2016 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of May 8, 2014 be approved. Motion carried – unanimous.

Peter Garwood reported to the Board that Eileen Wallick, Parks Manager has reported that the bath house tiling project has been stopped. The tiles that have been installed are absorbing the iron and other minerals from the park's water, turning the tiles rust in color and employees are unable to get the iron out of tiles.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Boettcher that the Park Manager Eileen Wallick be approved to seek replacement of the bath house tiles with a tile that is resistant to absorption of iron and other minerals from the park's water and that the replacement tiles not to exceed \$2,000.00. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Jim Rossiter spoke to the Board on what their expectations are for his attendance at Committee Meetings. The Board expressed that they would request his attendance as needed and that the County Administrator will notify him in advance.

The Chairman announced a workshop Monday, June 30, 2014 from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm in Traverse City at the Michigan Works! Center. The workshop is on the Open Meetings Act and how to comply with the Michigan Open Meetings Act, Public Act No. 267 of 1976. Anyone who is interested can contact the Administrator's office to register.

The Chairman requested Public Comment: Bonnie Robbins thanked the Board for their interest and support to those programs that support the families of Antrim County that are victims of domestic violence seeking emergency shelters, the homeless seeking shelter, and the support of groups that encourage healthy lifestyles that will strengthen families and change lives now and into the future. The groups supported by Antrim County for example are the Antrim County Community Collaborative, MISHA, and Habitat Housing are all combined efforts of working together and are targeting the areas in need in our County . Public comment closed at 1:33 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

The Chairman requested Public Comment: David Peterson spoke to the Board on the recent TCE Plume first phase proposal presented to the Administration Committee on June 5, 2014 by the Antrim County United through Ecology (ACUTE) Committee, and presented his written statement asking that the Board refer this proposal back to the Administration Committee for further review and discussion with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Mancelona Area Water and Sewer Authority (MAWSA), Joe Elliot, Engineer Gourdie Fraser, Shanty Creek Resort and Shanty Creek home owners association to develop a five (5) year plan for funding. The decision years ago was that the MDEQ was responsible for TCE Plume not Antrim County, /or its taxpayers. Public Comment closed at 9:05 a.m.

Gary Knapp ACUTE Coordinator, announced the representatives who will speak on behalf of the TCE Plume – Impact on Groundwater and the Proposed Water System Improvements and the request for a commitment from the County in the amount of \$250,000.00 toward the implementation of Phase IV. He introduced Robert Wagner-Chief DEQ Remediation and Redevelopment Division, Dean Branson-Three Lakes Association, Steve Grill- Leader Property Owners’ Association, Pete Bigford-COO Shanty Creek Resort, William Koenig- President Mancelona Area Water and Sewer Authority (MAWSA), Joe Elliot-Engineer Gourdie Fraser, Bob Edwards-BluNorth Real Estate, Mike Griffin-Coldwell Banker-Real Estate, and Scott Kendzierski-Director NW Michigan Health Department.

Robert Wagner spoke on the history of the TCE Plume and his involvement with the efforts to provide clean drinking water to those in the area affected by the plume since its discovery, and stressed the DEQ’s commitment to provide clean drinking water to those areas. With reduced budgets and limited funding, the DEQ would not be able to fund the entire cost of the estimated \$5.2 million associated with all proposed expansion plans. Phase IV presented in the new hand out “The Big Picture” A look at the MAWSA/Shanty Creek Area Water System, 2014-2015 Proposed Improvements: Construct High Pressure Main Extension to Cedar River “G” on the funding table with the estimated cost of \$440,000.00 and “A-1” Construct 300,000 Gallon Water Tank & Booster Station on the funding table with the estimated cost of \$813,620.00, for a total estimated cost of \$1.2 Million. Proposed funding sources described by Mr. Wagner are as follows: The proposed commitment of the MDEQ for New Appropriations in the amount of \$750,000.00, and Proposed USDA Rural Development loan to MAWSA in the amount of \$253,020.00, leaving \$250,000.00 needed to complete “G” & “A-1”.

The request is to the Board that they approve the contribution of \$250,000.00 to complete Phase IV “G” and “A-1” of the proposed water system improvement plan for the TCE Plume. He is confident that with the studies that have been provided, and the collaboration of all involved that Phase IV if or when approved will provide the public with peace of mind.

Joe Elliot, Engineering Gourdie Fraser Associates, MAWSA’s engineering/consulting firm is in support of Phase IV “G” and “A-1” of the 2014-2015 Proposed Water System Improvements Plan. The estimated time to complete “G” will be six (6) months and the estimated time to complete “A-1” will be nine (9) months. This phase will provide a solution for the time being and will then provide the DEQ with time to spread out additional funding requests over a couple of budget cycles. These future budget cycles would provide the funding for the proposed water system improvements Phase V: MDEQ/MAWSA Long- Term Future Improvements, Synchronized Project – Simpson Road loop, additional wells south of Mancelona, M-88 watermain extension, and the extension to Shanty Creek.

Gary Knapp spoke on the public health issue and the economic impact concerns of the toxic TCE Contamination to our water system and providing clean drinking water to these areas.

Bob Edwards – BluNorth Realtor spoke in support of the proposed project plans for Phase “G” and “A-1” submitted by ACUTE/MAWSA/MDEQ and requests that the Board commit the funds to assure that the project moves forward. He stated that as a realtor he has lost sales transactions due to the TCE Plume and the concerns of a contaminated water system. This impacts a healthy Shanty Creek, loss of tax revenue, stigma of water contamination, reduced values of property and bankers unwilling to finance loans on properties associated with unsafe and unhealthy water systems.

Pete Bigford – COO of Shanty Creek Resorts, spoke in support of ACUTE/MAWSA/MDEQ and the request that the Board commit the funds as requested to assure that the project moves forward. The property owners have been paying a share of the phases that have been completed. The property owners are currently paying special assessments on their water and sewer bills and at the Summit Resort they are currently paying \$36.95 per toilet per household. The impact of unsafe drinking water and unsafe water systems is critical to the health and future of the resorts, the largest employer in Antrim County and the home owners.

Scott Kendzierski, Director Health Department of Northwest Michigan reported that it appears that there is no end in sight, a long term plan is needed and no one has any money. The health department currently takes water well samples and continues to monitor and test the water wells at public and private sites. He stated that he is in support of the Phase IV Plan before the Board as reduced pumping will reduce the flow of contaminants entering the water system. All involved are committed to a longer term solution and have shown that all are committed to the proposed water system improvements and the long term improvements to assure safe and healthy water.



Bill Koenig – Chairman of the MAWSA Board spoke in support of the DEQ commitment to budget \$500,000.00 and an additional \$250,000.00 with the commitment of \$250,000.00 from Antrim County to the MAWSA/Shanty Creek Area Water System for Phase IV: “G” and “A-1” 2014-2015 Proposed Improvements.

Jim MacQuarrie stated that Phase IV “G” and “A-1” will provide the DEQ an additional two (2) or three (3) years to Budget and appropriate additional funds to this project.

Larry Murton stated that as a past MAWSA board member, everyone in the County could be impacted by reduced property values, lost jobs and the decline in tourism. The impact will slowly cripple the County if the TCE Plume continues to flow into our drinking water. Custer Township passed a resolution in support of ACUTE, MAWSA and the DEQ. Kearney Township opted out the last time the Board was approached, this may be a good time to address the Board.

Roxanne Flake, Supervisor of Custer Township stated that her Board is supportive of the ACUTE, MAWSA and DEQ in the efforts for safe water and is in support of the funding request.

Jim Rossiter spoke as legal counsel for the County. He has concerns of the ramifications of the County’s legal obligations, their future liability and continued involvement on a permanent basis.

Becky Norris - stated that the collaboration that has gone into the TCE Plume impact on the water supply is fantastic and the end result is that we need to provide safe drinking water.

Steve Grill stated that the water filter system treatment is much more costly to treat the water system and this will never stop.

Bob Wagner – stated that he is confident with the studies that have been provided, that Phase IV if or when approved will provide the public with peace of mind.

Karen Bargy stated that the County’s finances and budget have been tight for the last couple of years and there may even be cuts in 2015 and to commit \$250,000.00 could seriously impact the budget and the services provided.

Eugene Dawson stated there will be an economic impact and the problems that have been discussed are real and will impact all residents of Antrim County.

Ed Boettcher spoke of his concerns in balancing the 2013 budget and that soon the County audit will be presented to the Board, and would request that no action be taken until after the 2013 audit report has been presented by Anderson and Tackman at the July 2014 Board meeting.

Mike Crawford stated that he is in favor of a one (1) time approval of the \$250,000.00 to complete the project Phase IV for clean drinking water for all taxpayers. The collaboration of all the groups involved and the community knowing that the liability is huge, the request is not a donation it is an investment and would represent the County as being proactive and reactive.

Jerrold Drenth stated that he is not in favor of dipping into County funds, and requested that civil counsel review, and report his legal opinion to the Board. The Board should wait until the 2013 County Audit has been presented and the Board assesses the financial status of the County's finances.

Peter Garwood spoke on the concerns that the Board has already dealt with, short falls in the County's budgets and that the 2013 County Audit Report will be available soon and with the 2015 budgeting processes to start in August the Board may need to make cuts and evaluate priorities in the 2015 budget.

Gary Knapp and Dan Wayott spoke of the downsizing of this project to the 1.2 million that will cover Phase IV: "G" and "A-1" 2014-2015 Improvements, this will provide the MDEQ time to develop a long term funding plan and request appropriations for the future phases in their budget requests.

The request before the Board is to approve a \$250,000.00 commitment for Phase IV for the "G" Construct a High Pressure Main Extension to Cedar River that will take approximately six (6) months and "A-1" Construct a 300,000 Gallon Water Tank and Booster Station that will take approximately nine (9) months. No action was taken. The request is TABLED until legal counsel reviews all the ramifications of this request, the 2013 County audit has been presented, and that all funds be reviewed.

Mike Crawford referred two (2) communications to the Public Works Committee on letters that have been received with complaints not addressed by the Antrim County Building Department.

The meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk



Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Christian Marcus.

Absent: Bernard Blackmore

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Linda Gallagher, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board invites the Board to tour the Elk Rapids Day Park to view the improvements and Walk the Art! on Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Dean Branson, Antrim County United Through Ecology (ACUTE) volunteer asked the Board for their support for the request to pledge funds in the amount of \$250,000 to yield 1.25 Million from the State's Clean Michigan fund to protect public health threatened by the advancing TCE groundwater contamination plume. Public comment closed at 9:09 a.m.

James Rossiter gave an update on his research for the request from the Antrim County United Through Ecology (ACUTE) in the amount of \$250,000, and the Community Resources Development (CRD) in the amount of \$25,000, asking the Board to pledge these funds for the advancing TCE groundwater contamination plume. He continues to look at the all possible legal obligations and continued obligations before the Board makes a decision.

Peter Garwood requested that the Board approve the request from Stanley Briggs, for an Earth Cache at the Antrim Creek Natural Area. The geocaching involves a physical cache and log book to education about geological, geographical features and to locate the different historical levels of Lake Michigan and the results will be online.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Boettcher that the proposal from Stanley Briggs to perform an Earth Cache at the Antrim Creek Natural Area be approved. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Burt Thompson, Antrim County Road Commission Engineer/Manager presented the Antrim County Road Commission 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman that the 2013 Antrim County Road Commission Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Peter Garwood, Antrim County Administrator presented the Antrim County Administration County Planning 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Dawson that the 2013 County Administration County Planning 2013 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Patty Niepoth, Antrim County Register of Deeds presented the Antrim County Register of Deeds 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that the 2013 Antrim County Register of Deeds 2013 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Sherry Comben, Antrim County Treasurer presented the Antrim County Treasurer 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that the 2013 Antrim County Treasurer Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Ken Talsma, Anderson Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants presented the 2013 Antrim County Audit Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the 2013 Antrim County Audit Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Debra Haydell, Antrim County Accountant presented the 2013 Antrim County Accountant Annual Report.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Bargy that the 2013 Antrim County Accountant Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Linda Yaroach, Health Officer, Joshua Meyerson, Medical Director and Scott Kendzierski, Director presented the 2013 Health Department of Northwest Michigan Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that the 2013 Health Department of Northwest Michigan Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried – all present voting yes.

Pat Simmons, Director Department of Human Services presented the 2013 Department of Human Services Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the 2013 Department of Human Services Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Ed Boettcher left the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Michael Neubecker, Assistant Director Antrim County Commission on Aging presented the 2013 Antrim County Commission on Aging Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the 2013 Antrim County Commission on Aging Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:15 p.m.

Sheryl Guy, Antrim County Clerk presented the 2013 Antrim County Clerk Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Stanek that the 2013 Antrim County Clerk Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$314,813.64 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore;

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargy that Sheriff Bean be approved to purchase a 2014 Dodge Grand Caravan from Bill SnethKamp – Fleet thru the State of Michigan Contract #071B1300010 at the cost of \$21,436.00; and the equipment installation by Tele-Rad Inc. at the cost of \$640.00; and Winder Police Equipment at the cost of \$1,031.40; and decals by Pro Image Design at the cost of \$475.00; for a total cost of \$23,582.40, to be used as the Jail transport vehicle and be paid as budgeted General fund Capital Outlay, Jail. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the placement of a portable toilet at the Vandermark Road parking lot at Glacial Hills until November 1, 2014 by Gmoser Septic Service at a cost of \$95.00 per month and be paid from the Glacial Hills Fund #238. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Dawson that the following parks be placed on the Chain of Lakes and East Bay Water Trail Map: Antrim Creek Natural Area, Barnes Park, Notewares Landing and Willow Day Park. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargy to permit Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy (GTRLC) to host the Tailwind race at Glacial Hills on August 3, 2014 as long as the appropriate insurance is in place and all required amenities at no cost to the County. Motion carried all present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargy that the Parks and Recreation Committee be approved to investigate a cost assessment for improvements to the boat launch with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at the Antrim Creek Natural Area. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Marcus; No – Drenth, Stanek; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the proposal from the 86<sup>th</sup> District Court to increase a Community Corrections Officer from a part-time (.4) to full-time position for the Community Corrections Program at no additional cost to the County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

RESOLUTION #18-14 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Karen Bargy

BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the proposed Contract submitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michael Crawford, Chairman be authorized and directed to execute the Contract #2014-0742 (Federal Project No. B26-0011-2713; Acquire SRE – Rotary Plow – Design; Rehabilitate Runway-Airfield Paint (Marking) for and on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – Drenth; Dawson; Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

RESOLUTION #18-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargy the bid from Steve's Equipment Service, Inc. for the Airport Self-Contained Loader Mounted Snow Blower /Snow Removal Equipment (State - \$126,518.00; County pays 5% - \$6,325.90) be accepted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bargo the Chairman be authorized to sign the Contract for Professional Engineering Services with Consultant Mead and Hunt, Inc. (Project No. 0112710-140801.01), for the Design, and Development of Bid Specifications and to Administer the bid process for the project: Self – Contained Loader Mounted Snow Blower at the cost of \$6,140.00. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Marcus; No – Stanek; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Drenth that the Construction Code Director, Bob Massey be approved to (rehire) Mark Haynes, who was laid off in January 2009, due to the increase in inspections, Mr. Haynes shall return as a full-time employee with the benefit package afforded by the Union Contract and to be paid at the three (3) year pay scale at the rate of \$21.37 per hour effective hire date Monday, July 21 and that a laptop computer be purchased for employee use not to exceed \$1,100.00 and to be paid from the Construction Code Fund #249 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Renovation Project totaling \$270,431.93 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order # 31 which results in \$8,330.00 to be added back to the Contingency Fund. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Bargo that the County continue the contract with J. Ranck Electric, Inc. to comply with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) specifications for a newly installed Runway Edge Lighting Circuit Replacement at a cost of \$59,790.00 to be paid from the Antrim County Airport Fund #581 and Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) insurance company will reimburse County cost. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the request to the Board from North Country Community Mental Health (NCCMH), to install fiber optic cable by Charter Cable Company in to the County Building for their operations at no cost to the County be approved. Motion carried as follows: Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.



It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that a position be created to the Antrim County Sheriff Department Dispatch Center and the position be titled Lead Dispatch Supervisor the wage be set at 9% above the top dispatch wage scale and that a letter of understanding be negotiated with the Deputy/Dispatchers Bargaining Unit. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

The Chairman made the appointments of Cherie Hogan and Michael Spence to the Antrim County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to expire January 1, 2017.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the appointments of Cherie Hogan and Michael Spence to the Antrim County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to expire January 1, 2017 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

RESOLUTION #19-14 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Karen Bargy

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 5097 AND SENATE BILL 850**

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 5097 (HB 5097) was voted out of the House Committee on Commerce; and

**WHEREAS**, HB 5097 would exempt police and fire unions from the provisions of the Public Employer Relations Act (PERA) that prohibit the awarding of retroactive pay, the passing along of benefit cost increase, and the cessation of step pay increases when labor contracts expire before another contract has been agreed upon; and

**WHEREAS**, an identical bill has been introduced in the Senate – Senate Bill 850 (SB 850); and

**WHEREAS**, these bills apply to police and fire unions only; however, since the enactment of changes to PERA in 2011, counties (including Antrim County) have been able to settle a majority of their labor contracts prior to the expiration date; and

**WHEREAS**, without this cost saving management tool, there is little incentive for police and fire unions to settle contract disputes prior to the expiration of their contracts; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board of Commissioners opposes HB 5097, SB 850, and any similar bills that would reverse the cost management tools put in place by changes to PERA; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the other 82 counties, Representative Greg MacMaster, Senator Howard Walker, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

RESOLUTION #19-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of June 12, 2014 be approved as corrected. Motion carried – unanimous.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of July 17, 2014 be approved. Motion carried – unanimous.

The Chairman reactivated the Antrim County Ad-Hoc Road Commission Committee for two (2) additional meetings.

The Chairman appointed Peter Garwood as delegate representing administration and Sheryl Guy as alternate representing administration to the Municipal Employees Retirement System Annual Meeting to be held September 24-26, 2014.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Peter Garwood as delegate representing administration, if unable to attend Janet Koch be appointed in his place and the appointment of Sheryl Guy as alternate representing administration if unable to attend Sherry Comben be appointed in her place to serve at the 2014 Municipal Employees Retirement System Annual Meeting be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barge, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; Marcus; No – None; Absent – Boettcher, Blackmore.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Dan Bean Sheriff requested input and guidance on the Helena Township Alden Harbor Mooring Ordinance and future enforcement issues. The process of enforcement will be agreed upon through an inter-governmental agreement between the Sheriff and the Helena Township Board. Public Comment closed at 3:45 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk



Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Chairman requested Public Comment. David Peterson spoke of his proposal that Shanty Creek install new water well to provide relief for their concerns of decreased property values, decreased tax revenues, and from the impact of the TCE plume. John Peal, owner of Torch River Marina spoke of his concerns with the Antrim County Marine Patrol, alleging that the officers are harassing his customers and requested that the Board cut the program from the County budget. Gordy Schafer owner, of the Dockside Bar and Grill at Clam River also alleged that the Marine Patrol Officers are harassing his customers and recommended that the Board cut the Marine program and visit his live web cam. Donna Gundle Krieg, realtor spoke of concerns of declining real estate sales due to the contamination to the aquifer by the TCE plume. David Schulz, President of the Village of Bellaire spoke of the Village's concerns of the TCE plume and the ripple effect that could impact the village, the townships and the county. Mr. Whipple informed the Board that after two (2) years of filings and legal fees that the Meadow Brook Family and Friend Council have received 501c3 status. Kayla Bond, representative from the Freshwater Group from Petoskey spoke on the health and environmental risk of Cold Tar Seal Coat used on paved parking lots and asked the Board to ban the use on county properties. Public comment closed at 9:26 a.m.

James Rossiter reported that he continues to work on civil matters.

Peter Garwood informed the Board that there is corrected Administration Committee Minutes from the August 7, 2014 meeting.

Bob Schlueter, Executive Director Area Agency on Aging presented the Area Agency on Aging 2013 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that the 2013 Area Agency on Aging Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all present voting yes.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Stanek the claims and accounts totaling \$441,477.99 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargy that the Housing Director, Jonathan Scheel be approved to be paid at the rate of \$25.00 per hour not to exceed \$2,000 in 2014 and to be paid from the General Fund, Housing Department budget for hours worked to clean up and complete the paperwork associated with past housing projects and that \$3,000 be budgeted in 2015 and Mr. Scheel be paid at the rate of \$25.00 per hour for the hours worked to clean up and complete the paperwork associated with past housing projects; and agreement be reflected in an addendum to the Grant Administration Agreement between Antrim County and Jonathan Scheel. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Marcus that the purchase of two (2) signs for the Antrim County Day Park in Elk Rapids from Michigan Department of Transportation (DMOT) at the cost of \$1,728 be approved and paid from the General Fund, Parks budget. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Jerroll Drenth introduced David Heeres, nominated at the Primary Election to his seat as County Commissioner District #1.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Dawson that Eileen Wallick, Parks Manager be approved up to \$2,400 to repair the transmission of the 1994 GMC truck or replace the truck with a 1991 truck that is available at the Antrim County Transportation. Antrim County Transportation Mechanic, Tom Sandeen and Eileen will work together to access and evaluate the best option for the Park and their vehicle needs. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION # 20-14** by Ed Boettcher, seconded by Karen Bargy

Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Implementation Plan  
of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan

**“BE IT RESOLVED** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners have reviewed the Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan and believe that the plan addresses the needs of the aging population in Region 10.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approves the Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan.”

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #20-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Blackmore that the proposed 2015 Child Care Fund Budget be approved as presented totaling \$308,000 and that the budget be submitted to the State of Michigan prior to the October 1, 2014 deadline. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign Contract No# 15-CCF-05001 between Antrim County and Wellspring Lutheran Services formerly Lutheran Child and Family Services of Michigan effective October 10, 2014, through September 30, 2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Blackmore that the 2015 Meadow View Apartments proposed budget be referred to the finance committee for review and approval. Motion carried all present voting yes.

**RESOLUTION #21-14** by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Karen Bargo

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the proposed Contract submitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Michael Crawford, Chairman, be authorized and directed to execute the Contract #2014-0849 (Federal Project No.B26-0011-2814; Acquire Snow Removal Equipment – Rotary Plow) for and on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;  
No – None;  
Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #21-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Renovation Project totaling \$320,638.89 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order #32 totaling \$33,275.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Request for Change #79 which includes Christman Company additional cost due to delays caused by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the State Fire Marshall totaling \$67,475.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the contract with Mackinac Environmental Technology, Inc. for asbestos testing in the boiler room of the County Building at a cost of \$680 be paid from the General Fund, County Building budget. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that the funds be released to fill two (2) positions and that the Sheriff, Dan Bean be authorized to begin the hiring process to fill a vacant sergeant position and also fill the vacant position that will result from the promotion of a deputy. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the funds be released and that the Sheriff, Dan Bean be authorized to begin the hiring process to fill the vacant dispatcher position. Motion carried as follows: Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the funds be released and that the Building Department Director, Bob Massey be authorized to begin the hiring process to replace the position of retiring Mel Grandy, Building Inspector/Plan Reviewer. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Committee Structure Reorganization option #2 which includes three (3) standing committees per month, Health and Public Safety Committee; Buildings, Lands and Infrastructure Committee; and Administration and Ways & Means Committee; one (1) monthly Finance Committee meeting of a Whole (COW), and one (1) Board of Commissioners meeting per month be approved and begin November 1, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes - Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – Drenth, Blackmore; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the Board move to electronic packets for the Board meetings and that each Board member be issued a County tablet and a users' Policy to be implemented beginning January 1, 2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – Bargo; Absent – None.

Ed Boettcher left the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Crawford spoke on the TCE Plume and the rising concerns of the public that there appears to be no leadership from this Board. The Board of Commissioners have been involved supporting the ACUTE Coalition by passing Resolution #28-03 at the October 9, 2003, Board meeting which appointed a minimum of one (1) representative to serve on the ACUTE Coalition and also supported the \$100,000 grant request submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency to address the TCE plume coming from the Dura property. The future planning must coordinate stakeholder awareness and involvement to protect the public health, the environment, and the local and regional economies. With an Attorney General Opinion pending it may be time to seek a second opinion.

Crawford directed Peter Garwood, County Administrator to write a letter requesting an independent second opinion.

The Chairman made the appointments of Professional Surveyors to the Remonumentation Peer Group as required by P.A. 345 of 1990, the State Survey and Remonumentation Act as amended and the appointments be retroactive to June 12, 2014.

Scott Papineau, PS	County Representative/ Surveyor	Central Lake MI
Peter Garwood	Grant Administrator	Bellaire MI
Terry Smith, PS	Peer Group	Bellaire MI
Art Lennox, PS	Peer Group	Bellaire MI
Ron Brand, PS	Peer Group	Gaylord, MI
Neil Way, PS	Peer Group	Kewadin, MI

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the appointments of Scott Papineau, Peter Garwood, Terry Smith, Art Lennox, Ron Brand and Neil Way to the Remonumentation Peer Group be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – Marcus; Absent – Boettcher.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of July 10, 2014 be approved. Motion carried all present voting yes.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that the County Administrator be directed to review the Planning Commissions' Master Plan recommendations for implementation steps and strategies for economic development and report back to the Board. Motion carried all present voting yes.

The Chairman asked for Public Comment: Steve Grill, President Property Owners Association, member of ACUTE and a Kearney Township resident stated that he supports the Board in efforts to seek an independent second opinion and also supports remediation. The DEQ currently has 218 sites throughout Michigan and are other Counties contributing in the efforts to provide safe drinking water at any of these sites. Donna Gundle-Krieg stated that Kearney Township is acting aggressive and seeking legal counsel. David Peterson would support ACUTE Option 2 from last year with modifications. Public comment closed at 11:45 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk





Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargo, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Christian Marcus.

Absent: Bernard Blackmore

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag

Invocation offered by Eugene Dawson

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Linda Gallagher the Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board invited the Board to attend the next scheduled meeting, Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the Antrim Creek Natural Area. Public comment closed at 9:07 a.m.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargo that the Health, Animal Control and Safety Committee be authorized to approve the Ricoh Lease (new copier) Agreement for the Sheriff Department in order to receive a rebate offer if the Agreement is in place prior to September 30, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargo the claims and accounts totaling \$147,941.69 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Marcus that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Agreement between Antrim County and Spectrum Health Hospitals for Medical Examiner Facility Use. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Marcus that the Chairman be authorized to sign the State of Michigan Fiscal Year 2014 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Marcus that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Antrim County Emergency Management Fiscal Year 2015 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Work Agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Marcus that the Fund #217 Prosecuting Attorney Legal be closed and that the fund balance be returned to the General fund. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

Peter Garwood reported that the Sheriff has requested that three (3) chairs be purchased for the Squad Room in the Annex Building as budgeted in the General fund, Capital Outlay at the cost of \$1,500.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Bargo that the Sheriff be approved to purchase three (3) chairs for the Squad Room in the Annex Building as budgeted in the General fund, Capital Outlay and that the total cost not exceed \$1,500. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Crawford that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Agreement for Substance Use Disorder Services Coordination between Northern Michigan Regional Entity and Antrim County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Chairman made the appointment of Don Schuiteman as the County representative to the newly created Northern Michigan Regional Entity (SUD) Oversight Board.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Bargo that the appointment of Don Schuiteman as the Antrim County representative to the newly created Northern Michigan Regional Entity (SUD) Oversight Board. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Crawford that the Housing Program Place-Based Targeting Strategy document Grant #MSC-2013-0333-HOA with the amendments (replacement of Mancelona map) be approved and that the Chairman be authorized to sign document. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Boettcher that Grass River Natural Area, Inc. be permitted to make improvements to the existing dock for the addition of a single kayak dock that will include new seating and a small kayak rack at no cost to Antrim County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Boettcher that the Barnes Park camping rates be increased by \$1.00 which will reflect rustic (no electric) site rates at a cost of \$24.00 per night and the improved (with electric) site rates at a cost of \$27.00 per night which may increase the park's annual revenue by \$5,000 per year. Motion as follows: Yes – Dawson, Boettcher, Crawford; No – Drenth, Bargo, Howelman, Stanek, Marcus; Absent – Blackmore. **MOTION FAILED**

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman that the invoice submitted by the Village of Bellaire for the camping fees for the America Corp volunteer workers during their trail building stay at Craven Park Campground, the camping fees totaled \$520.00; the Village waived 50% of the cost and the remaining \$260.00 to be paid as follows: 20% to be paid by Forest Home Township at a cost of \$52.00 and the County paying the remaining 80% at a cost of \$208.00, be approved and paid from the Glacial Hills Fund #238 for lodging and that all future expenditures be pre-approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Marcus; No – Bargo, Stanek; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Howelman that the emergency repairs to the gate at the Bellaire Dam was determined to be in the gear box and that Kone Drive has estimated a cost for repairs could be up to \$8,000, pending the opening and evaluation of the gear box and that the repairs be paid from the Dams Reserve Fund #142. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that the Mental Health Traveling Art Show display be placed in the County Building hallways from October 2 -8, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that the application from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Renovation Project totaling \$318,758.19 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Orders #33 and #34 totaling \$97,817.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that the quote from Northwest Restoration and Weatherization Systems (NRWS) for \$12,450.00 to repair the remaining three (3) corners (NE, NW and SE), Roof walls of the 1905 Courthouse be approved and paid from the Capital Projects fund # 470 for the 1905 Courthouse building maintenance. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

Eugene Dawson spoke to the Board about future consideration and planning for a County wide millage to repair and maintain roads.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that Detective Ed Smith be approved to enroll in the class entitled Legal-Ethical Issues Information Sec. ISIN 429 VL1, which is directly related to his position as the County Sheriff Department's Forensic Specialist and the cost is \$1,173.00 and will be reimbursed per agreement pending him providing proof of passing the course. Motion carried as follows: Yes– Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Chairman be authorized to sign the letter prepared by legal counsel to respond to James McQuarrie, Administrator of the Mancelona Area Water and Sewer Authority (MAWSA), regarding MAWSA's request for \$250,000 co-sponsorship to help install TCE-related improvements in public drinking water system. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the County Clerk be approved to hire a temporary part-time employee retroactive to August 4, 2014 through October 31, 2014 at the hourly rate of \$11.62 per union contract. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Register of Deeds' temporary part-time employee be converted to a permanent part-time irregular employee not to exceed 29 hours per week and be effective October 1, 2014 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that the funds be released and the Prosecuting Attorney be authorized to start the hiring process to replace retired employee Karin Edwards for the vacant Victim's Rights Coordinator position. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

Ed Boettcher spoke on the County's website and the posting of committee minutes prior to the Board meetings and stated he has concerns when the Administration Committee minutes are to be posted when it comes to interviews and hiring. Currently the applicants are listed in the minutes and if these minutes are put on the County website and made public he has concerns of the possible consequences for applicants with their current employers, and maybe their names should be redacted from the website minutes, and if a request is made directly to the County Administrator's office that a hard copy containing names be provided. The Board needs legal counsel to provide opinion.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Marcus to direct Jim Rossiter, legal counsel, to provide an opinion to the Board regarding the legality of posting committee minutes on the County website prior to the Board meetings. Specifically, when holding job interviews can the names of those being interviewed be kept confidential through redaction. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – Bargo; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the Building Department full time position for the Building Inspector/Plan Reviewer be offered to Frank Hersha and if he doesn't accept the position or meet the pre-employment requirements, the position then be offered to John Dorosz, with the same requirements and if he doesn't accept then the position be offered to Kenneth Verhamme with the same requirements. Motion carried as follows: Yes- Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Dawson that the minutes of August 14, 2014 be approved. Motion carried all present voting yes.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Boettcher the millage rate for the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Operating and Renovations be set at 1.0000 mill. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Boettcher the millage rate for the Commission on Aging be set at 0.4000 mill. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Boettcher the millage rate for the 911 Central Dispatch be set at 0.5000 mill. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Chairman asked for Public Comment. Linda Gallagher asked for clarification on the tax rates set by Board. The tax rates are set each year based on voted millage and the Board authorizes the tax rates for levy on the 2014 tax roll.

Eugene Dawson spoke on the two (2) properties that the County owns at Frog Hollow and if there are no deed restrictions the County could consider selling these properties.

Mike Crawford spoke on the 2015 Petoskey Stone Festival will mark the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the festival. The account currently has a fund balance of \$3,000 and asked the Board to consider a budget appropriation in the 2015 budget.

The meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Remembrance for Commissioner Jerroll Drenth from District #01 who died October 3, 2014.

Present: Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence to honor Jerroll Drenth

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Paul Sak, former Marine Patrol Officer, spoke of the proposed budget cuts in the 2015 budget for the Antrim County Sheriff Department Marine Patrol and presented report of the data compiled from yearly annual reports covering the years 2009 – 2014. Greg Payne representative of Torch Lake Protection Alliance Board also spoke to the Board regarding their letter of support submitted for the Antrim County Marine Patrol and that continued funding be provided for the Sheriff to continue Marine Patrol services to maintain their effectiveness. Public comment closed at 9:05 a.m.

Jim Rossiter spoke on his approval of the Delta Dental Contract, Area Agency on Aging (AAA) of Northern Michigan Purchase of Services Agreement, and continues to work with Priority Health Contract.

Peter Garwood reported that he has presented corrected Administration Committee minutes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the funds be released and the Maintenance Supervisor, be authorized to begin the hiring process to replace the position of retiring Pablo Bocardo, custodian. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent - None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the funds be released and the Prosecuting Attorney be authorized to start the hiring process to replace the vacant part-time irregular position of Child Support Specialist. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded Blackmore that the County sponsor a grant application to the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa Chippewa Indians for the 2% gaming funds for the Special Olympics to help fund the five-county regional athletes to compete in the Special Olympics that will be held in Mt. Pleasant. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the County Accountant be approved a temporary irregular part-time employee for one (1) year at ten hours per week with an accounting background to work in the accountant's office, effective date to be January 1, 2015 at the Clerk I pay scale in the General Unit Bargaining Agreement at the rate of \$14.34 per hour; and that the position be added to the Accountant's 2015 budget in the amount of \$8,000. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the County Accountant's Essential Duties and Responsibilities - Job Description be amended to change number 17 (Reconcile bank accounts) to that the County Accountant may review the reconciled bank accounts, and that the County Treasurer's Office be reassigned the responsibility of the county's bank accounts reconciliation per Attorney General Opinion # 6962 of 1909 PA 99, MCL 129.31 et seq; MSA 5.531 et seq, Sec. 8. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the funds be released and the County Clerk be authorized to begin the hiring process to fill a vacant full time Clerk Typist position and that the position be paid at the rate of \$11.62 per hour with the benefit package afforded by the General Union Bargaining Agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the County Clerks' temporary irregular part time clerk typist position due to expire October 31, 2014 be extended to December 31, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan Fiscal Year 2015 and Fiscal Year 2016 Care Connection Purchase Service Agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #22-14** By Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

#### **FAIR HOUSING POLICY**

This Resolution reaffirms the Fair Housing Policy dated August 3, 1997 and will be reviewed annually.

**WHEREAS**, Jonathan D. Scheel was appointed the contact person for the Antrim County Housing Committee. Mr. Scheel is informed of the Fair Housing laws and is available in Antrim County at 203 E. Cayuga Street, Bellaire, MI 231-533-8727 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



Resolution #22-14 – continued

**WHEREAS**, Antrim County Housing Committee will update a Community Profile for Antrim County annually & maintain a Fair Housing log & Fair Housing Resource listing & referral system as well as marketing the program for new contractors to include women & minority.

And

**WHEREAS**, Jonathan D. Scheel, Director of Antrim County Housing will market MSHDA housing programs to include all qualified minority and women applicants.

Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #22-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

**RESOLUTION #23-14** By Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

**WHEREAS**, Antrim County is interested in continuing effort to provide Affordable housing opportunities for its low and very low-income residents.

**WHEREAS**, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is interested in applying for a Homeowner Grant (CDBG HO)

**WHEREAS**, said Board of Commissioners accept the Recommendation of Housing Director, Jonathan D. Scheel to apply for funding in the amount of \$175,000.00;

**WHEREAS**, said Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Official to sign said application forms as required;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorize Jonathan D. Scheel to prepare and submit the application for funding through The Michigan State Housing Development Authority's Housing Resource Fund.

Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #23-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

**RESOLUTION # 24-14** By Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

**FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, under the Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, color, religion, gender, physical or mental disabilities or national origin; and,

**WHEREAS**, under the Michigan Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, PA 453 of 1976, as amended, it is illegal to deny the opportunity to obtain housing to any person because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status;

**LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS** that it is the policy of **Antrim County** to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status. Therefore, **Antrim County** does hereby pass the following Resolution.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with Executive Order 11063, **Antrim County** shall not discriminate in the sale, rental, leasing, or financing of housing because of religion, race, color, gender, physical or mental disabilities, national origin, age, height, weight, familial status, or marital status;

**Antrim County** will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of religion, race, color, gender, physical or mental disabilities, national origin, age, height, weight, familial status, or marital status to seek equity under federal and state laws by providing information to said persons on how to file a complaint with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights.

**Antrim County** will at a minimum post this policy or the Fair Housing poster or other posters, flyers or other information which will bring to the attention of owners of real estate, developers and builders their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law and Michigan Elliott Larsen Act.

This Resolution shall take effect as of this date.

Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #24-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that Judy Parliament acting Director of Commission on Aging be appointed to the permanent full-time Director of the Commission on Aging effective Monday, October 13, 2014 at the starting salary of \$44,498.56 and be afforded future increases according to the salary scale of the Director and all benefits afforded to the Unrepresented. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the funds be released and the Sheriff be authorized to begin the hiring process to replace the full time position of retiring Judy Sayre, Sheriff Transcriptionist and that the position be filled two weeks prior to November 7, 2014 to allow for an overlap for training. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that the proposed draft to the Antrim County Board of Commissioners Procedures to amend Section 4: Organization to reflect the changes in the Committee Structure reducing the number of standing committees from eight (8) to four (4) with the Finance, Ways and Means Committee changing to a committee of a whole effective November 1, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the contract between Antrim County and Delta Dental Plan of Michigan, Inc. Group #1453-0001 effective October 1, 2014 thru September 30, 2016. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo the Chairman be authorized to sign the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Community Corrections Contract Agreement. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Chairman be authorized to sign the contract between Antrim County and Robert Mickevicius for the Construction Code Inspection Services effective retroactive to October 6, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo the claims and accounts totaling \$333,389.27 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo that the Fund #371, 1905 Courthouse Debt Retirement Fund be closed and that the fund balance in the amount of \$11,021.00 be transferred to the Capital Projects Fund #470 to be used for the 1905 Courthouse three (3) corners (NE, NW and SE), roof walls repair and weatherization project by Northwest Restoration and Weatherization Systems (NRWS). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None;

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo that the Sheriff be approved to purchase two (2) Dodge Charger Patrol Vehicles at a cost of \$23,889.00 per vehicle after the trade in allowance of the two (2) Crown Victoria 2006/2007 patrol vehicles, the cost of vehicles excludes striping and equipment for a total base cost for vehicles of \$47,778.00 and to fully equip and stripe vehicles the cost not to exceed \$67,000.00, and be paid from the General Fund, Capital Outlay Sheriff as budgeted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent - None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the quote from Lakes and Trails Power Sports, LLC be accepted and that the Sheriff be approved to purchase the 2015 Ski Doo 12200 Renegade snowmobile and equipment at a cost of \$11,823.72 for Snowmobile Patrol and be paid from Fund #279 Snowmobile Grant Equipment as budgeted with future anticipation of partial reimbursement from a Grant. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that a line item transfer be approved for the Sheriff's General fund budget to transfer \$700.00 from the operating supply line item #741 to the wage line item # 705 for the Transcriptionist position to provide an overlap for training purposes. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the Antrim County Transportation Director, Al Meacham purchase a lap top computer for the ACT mechanic at a cost of \$1,007.64, be approved and paid from Antrim County Transportation Fund #588, to be reimbursed by the State grant. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the bid be accepted from Roger Koski for the 2007 Ford E450 Eldorado, Antrim County Transportation Bus in the amount of \$2,473.00. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the Havel Brothers' invoice for the inspection services of the VAV boxes which control the air flow into each office of the County Building after being struck by lightning at the cost of \$1,420.00 be approved and paid from the General Fund budget, County Building be approved and paid, Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) the County's liability insurance carrier will reimburse the County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the proposal from Havel Brothers for the replacement of 82 VAV boxes which control the air flow into each office of the County Building after being struck by lightning, be accepted at a cost of \$86,806.00, and be paid from the General Fund budget, County Building cost center building maintenance and that Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) the County's liability insurance carrier will reimburse the County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the funds be transferred from the Energy Savings Fund #242 to the Airport Enterprise Fund #581 to fund the Antrim County Airport lighting replacement project to update the lighting inside and outside of the two main buildings at the Airport (terminal and garage building and the maintenance garage) and that Arndt Electric be hired at a cost of \$9,236.00 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

The Public Hearing on the approved millage for 2015 county operations and the 2015 General Fund and Other Fund budgets opened at 10:00 a.m. Laura Stanek explained the various elements of the Proposed 2015 General Fund and Other Fund budgets. Greg Payne spoke on budget cuts and targeting departments when there is a fund balance. Marna Robertson spoke on budgeting and projected Revenue Sharing. Paul Sak spoke on the challenges of balancing a budget and that when cuts are made that the Board make cuts across the board rather than a targeted area. Linda Gallagher requested that she be provided with the 2013 budget fund balance. David Schulz spoke on various units of government struggling to balance their budgets and that with the property value plunge several years back caused the decrease in property tax revenue. The property value trend has shown that the values are coming back but very slowly and fund balances will not be there forever. Lee Whipple spoke on not being in favor of across the board cuts. Board members credited the Finance Committee for their hard work and leadership and a special thanks to Finance Chairman Jerroll Drenth. Laura Stanek thanked public for all their input. Public hearing closed at 10:35 a.m.

**RESOLUTION # 25-14** by Laura Stanek, seconded by David Howelman

## **Resolution to Adopt the 2015 Antrim County Budget, General Appropriations Act and Millages**

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners has set the millage rate of 5.40 for General Operating, 0.40 for Commission on Aging, 0.50 for 911 Central Dispatch and 1.00 for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Operating and Renovations, and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has prepared and is recommending a General Fund budget based on the millage rate of 5.40 for General Fund operations,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners reaffirms the following millage rates are 5.40 for General Operating, 0.40 for Commission on Aging, .50 for 911 Central Dispatch and 1.00 for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Operating and Renovations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following General Fund budget for 2015:

Beginning Fund Balance	January 1, 2015	\$7,208,685
Revenue		
From Taxes	\$9,178,801	
From Licenses & Permits	173,343	
From Other Agencies	862,691	
From Current Services	918,900	
From Other Sources	<u>936,519</u>	
		<u>12,070,254</u>
TOTAL REVENUE		\$19,278,939

## Resolution #25-14 – General Fund budget continued

## Expenditures

County Commissioners	\$ 231,874
Circuit Court	388,852
Family Division-Circuit Court	522,690
Circuit Court Probation	3,000
Family Crt – Detention Support	11,000
District Court	650,897
Friend of the Court	84,359
Probate Court	305,242
Jury Commission	3,233
County Administration	249,917
Accounting	68,080
Budget/Accounting Services	82,520
County Clerk	326,510
Communications	119,770
Computer	192,793
Purchasing	35,230
Tax Allocation Board	227
County Treasurer	251,512
Equalization	233,947
MSU Extension	154,709
Elections	43,116
Grove St. Annex	13,200
'05 Courthouse	109,538
County Building & Grounds	482,162
Prosecuting Attorney	541,074
Register of Deeds	195,392
Microfilm	11,750
Plat Board	250
Pros. Atty. – Victims' Rights	65,295
P.A. Child Support/IVD	25,996
Drain Commissioner	561
Abstract Department	148,522
Survey & Remonumentation	40,000
Sheriff	3,187,652
Marine	121,368
Secondary Roads	49,710
Jail	402,697
Zero Tolerance	70,900
Emergency Services	67,478
Animal Control	193,821
Dams & Dams Operator	59,661
Health	522,036
Medical Examiner	24,150
Welfare	219,973
Aging – not reimbursed	2,600
Veterans Affairs	124,480

## Resolution #25-1-4 General Fund budget – continued

Housing Administration	2,000	
Housing Projects	3,000	
Resource Recovery	22,764	
Planning Commission	8,889	
Planning Department	65,349	
Economic Development Commission	4,767	
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	2,830	
Parks-Cedar River, Mohrmann, Murphy	6,900	
Parks-Noteware's, Wetzel, Willow Day	5,425	
Parks – Barnes, etc.	236,494	
Parks – Elk Rapids	16,529	
Insurance & Bonds	388,000	
Special Projects – Other	366,255	
Capital Outlay	240,979	
Appropriations	1,240,610	<u>\$13,250,535</u>
Ending Fund Balance	December 31, 2014	6,028,404

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$19,278,939
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## Budgets – Other Funds

## Fund #105 – Self Insured Reserve Fund

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	279,082
Revenue		500
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		279,582

## Fund #129 – Victims' Rights Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	8,439
Revenue		20
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		8,459

## Fund #137 – Capital Outlay Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	107,011
Revenue		200
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		107,211

## ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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## Resolution #25-14 Budgets Other Funds – continued

## Fund #142 – Dams Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	578,760
Revenue		1,000
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		579,760

## Fund #144 – Gas &amp; Oil Royalties Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	486,378
Revenue		30,750
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		517,128

## Fund #161 – Grant Match Revenue

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	87,460
Revenue		250
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		87,710

## Fund #165 – Antrim Conservation District Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	56,613
Revenue		100
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		56,713

## Fund #182 – Special Projects Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	261,329
Revenue		425
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		261,754

## Fund #215 – Friend of the Court

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	850
Revenue		9,120
Expenditures		9,000
Ending Fund Balance		970

## Fund #218 – Technology Transition Fund

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	64,199
Revenue		200
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		64,399



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## Fund #220 – Special Assessment – Dams

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	3,435
Revenue		10
Expenditures		2,500
Ending Fund Balance		945

## Fund #223 – Grass River

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	47,908
Revenue		45,250
Expenditures		45,700
Ending Fund Balance		47,458

## Fund #225 – Animal Control Donations

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	10,505
Revenue		2,520
Expenditures		1,500
Ending Fund Balance		11,525

## Fund #226 – County-Wide Recycling

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	40,592
Revenue		349,400
Expenditures		339,200
Ending Fund Balance		40,792

## Fund #230 – Forestry

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	308,695
Revenue		58,400
Expenditures		10,500
Ending Fund Balance		356,595

## Fund #234 – Antrim Creek

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	67,238
Revenue		6,600
Expenditures		6,576
Ending Fund Balance		67,262

## Fund #235 – Petoskey Stone Festival

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	3,309
Revenue		4,504
Expenditures		5,380
Ending Fund Balance		2,433

## Fund #236 – Park Fundraiser

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	4,773
Revenue		2,500
Expenditures		2,200
Ending Fund Balance		5,073

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## Fund #238 – Glacial Hill Grant

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	13,962
Revenue		2,050
Expenditures		9,050
Ending Fund Balance		6,962

## Fund #240 – GIS Operating

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	22,094
Revenue		1,030
Expenditures		5,100
Ending Fund Balance		18,024

## Fund #242 – Energy Savings

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	955
Revenue		3,500
Expenditure		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		4,455

## Fund #249 – Construction Code Enforcement

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	375,076
Revenue		468,100
Expenditures		452,878
Ending Fund Balance		390,298

## Fund #255 – Homestead Property Tax Exemption Audit

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	-0-
Revenue		15,010
Expenditures		15,010
Ending Fund Balance		-0-

## Fund #256 – Register of Deeds Automation

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	35,166
Revenue		56,100
Expenditures		55,500
Ending Fund Balance		35,766

## Fund #257 – Budget Stabilization

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	664,686
Revenue		1,200
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		665,886

## Fund #259 – 911 Training

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	20,407
Revenue		10,028
Expenditures		13,028
Ending Fund Balance		17,407

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## Fund #261 – E-911 Operating

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	400,892
Revenue		819,400
Expenditures		813,694
Ending Fund Balance		406,598

## Fund #262 – E-911 Wireless

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	369,960
Revenue		148,360
Expenditures		119,814
Ending Fund Balance		489,774

## Fund #264 – Local Corrections Officers Training

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	30,223
Revenue		9,648
Expenditures		11,000
Ending Fund Balance		28,871

## Fund #265 – Drug Law Enforcement

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	13,400
Revenue		-0-
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		13,400

## Fund #266 – O.R.V. Ordinance Training

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	100
Revenue		-0-
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		100

## Fund #267 – Jail Inmate Proceeds

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	9,758
Revenue		26,516
Expenditures		24,475
Ending Fund Balance		11,799

## Fund #268 – Michigan Justice Training

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	21,185
Revenue		3,800
Expenditures		3,800
Ending Fund Balance		21,185

## Fund #269 – Law Library

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	6,222
Revenue		26,885
Expenditures		23,952
Ending Fund Balance		9,155

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## Fund #275 - Housing Project Income

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	74,097
Revenue		34,610
Expenditures		52,000
Ending Fund Balance		56,707

## Fund #278 – Antrim County Housing CDBG Grant

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	291
Revenue		176,000
Expenditures		176,000
Ending Fund Balance		291

## Fund #279 – Snowmobile Grant

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	13,616
Revenue		58,907
Expenditures		58,907
Ending Fund Balance		13,616

## Fund #282 – Housing CDBG

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	7,753
Revenue		9
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		7,762

## Fund #285 – Revenue Sharing Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	2,422,821
Revenue		-0-
Expenditures		482,040
Ending Fund Balance		1,934,032

## Fund #286 - Probate Grant

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	4,906
Revenue		6,696
Expenditures		6,696
Ending Fund Balance		4,906

## Fund #287 – Emergency Services LEPC Grant

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	4,506
Revenue		1,000
Expenditures		1,000
Ending Fund Balance		4,506

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Fund #292 – Child Care		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	327,917
Revenue		380,000
Expenditures		461,000
Ending Fund Balance		246,917
Fund #293 – Veterans Relief		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	36,017
Revenue		40,000
Expenditures		44,000
Ending Fund Balance		32,017
Fund #294 – Veterans Trust		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	1,898
Revenue		2,224
Expenditures		2,224
Ending Fund Balance		1,898
Fund #297 – Commission On Aging		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	96,189
Revenue		1,154,559
Expenditures		1,132,728
Ending Fund Balance		118,020
Fund #298 – Meadowview Senior Housing		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	34,282
Revenue		102,120
Expenditures		96,605
Ending Fund Balance		39,797
Fund #351 – Meadowbrook Project Debt Retirement		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	100,147
Revenue		711,083
Expenditures		711,083
Ending Fund Balance		100,147
Fund #451 - Capital Projects – Meadowbrook Renovations Project		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	1,613,557
Revenue		-0-
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		1,613,557

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## Fund #468 – Grass River Center Construction

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	214,737
Revenue		-0-
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		214,737

## Fund #470 – Capital Projects – County Buildings &amp; Structures

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	394,883
Revenue		10,600
Expenditures		10,000
Ending Fund Balance		395,483

## Fund #516 – Tax Payment Funds Combined

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	9,345,253
Revenue		-0-
Expenditures		-0-
Ending Fund Balance		9,345,253

## Fund #581 – Airport Operating

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	2,269,659
Revenue		510,358
Expenditures		510,358
Ending Fund Balance		2,269,659

## Fund #582 – Elk Rapids Hydro Utility System

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	440,869
Revenue		25,600
Expenditures		20,600
Ending Fund Balance		461,469

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following policies for implementation of the 2015 General Fund budget:

1. That any increase in Total Receipts or Total Expenditures shall be approved in advance by action of the Board of Commissioners.
2. That the Budget Chief Administrative Officer shall be the County Accountant, with direct oversight by the Finance Committee.
3. That over-expenditure of the total budget of any General Fund Cost Center must be accompanied by a proposed budget amendment and must be approved in advance by the Board of Commissioners.
4. That any position or supplement adopted for 2015 which is reimbursed by grants or other monies from an outside unit may be terminated if the grant and/or other reimbursements are discontinued.

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5. That, if any position should become vacant any time after November, 2014, the position shall immediately and automatically be deleted from the 2015 budget of the Cost Center involved and the monies shall be transferred to contingencies, until such time as the position may be reinstated by the Board of Commissioners or its designated representative and a new wage or salary is established.
6. Items included in the budget with a value of less than \$5,000 shall be considered “equipment” and items with a value of \$5,000 or more shall be considered a depreciating “capital outlay” through the fixed asset program.
7. Budgeted equipment purchases of less than \$5,000 may be made by a department head. Documentation of the department head’s purchase process, including their attempt to get three quotes or the reason why it was not feasible, shall be presented to the Purchasing Agent. If the department head wants to use the funds for anything other than what it was originally budgeted for, they must go back to their oversight committee and the Finance Committee for approval.
8. Any capital outlay purchase of \$5,000 and over, the exception being computer network related purchases, must comply with the sealed bids policy and be approved in advance by the Finance Committee, Committee of the Whole, or the Board of Commissioners. Capital outlay purchases must have a Purchase Order number assigned and during that process the Accountant/Purchasing Agent will determine as to whether an item is a capital matter or not if the question arises.
9. Computers shall be grouped together, when possible, and purchased through a competitive quote process. Computers will be treated as a depreciating capital outlay through the fixed asset program.
10. That no appropriation be paid to a non-profit Organization not affiliated with Antrim County as a governmental entity until such time as a contract between Antrim County and the non-profit organization in question is approved.
11. That the Accountant is authorized to make transfers between line items (excluding salaries, wages, overtime, all fringe benefit line items, capital outlay, and specific appropriations) within the Cost Center provided sufficient data is provided by the Department Head definitely showing that the Cost Center’s total budget will not at any time during the budget year be increased as a result of the transfer.
12. The Finance Committee is authorized to make transfers between Cost Centers within the General Fund as long as it does not result in an increase of the overall General Fund Budget, and from fund to fund of up to \$10,000.
13. That any question concerning assignment of GL account to any purchase will be decided by the Accountant.

Yes- Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION # 25-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore to amend the 2015 General Fund budget to add \$8,000 to the Accounting Department budget for the wages and fringes for the temporary irregular part-time position. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

Karleen Helmreich, Equalization Director, presented the 2014 Apportionment Report.  
(See pp 22-26)

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the 2014 Apportionment Report be accepted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that the quote from Arndt Electric Service for the Antrim County Airport replacement of cabling to the Fuel Farm at a cost of \$1,867.00 be approved and paid from the Airport Fund #581, contractual services line item. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded Dawson that due to the lightning strike at the Antrim County Airport and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements of the replacement of the cabling under the apron areas and under the parallel taxi-way and taxi-way connector, to be performed by J. Ranck Electric, Inc. at a cost of \$18,230.00 be paid with reimbursement from Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA), liability insurance carrier. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No - None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that the bid for snow plowing and snow removal be awarded to Bert's Excavating, Inc. for the 2014-2016 Snowplow Seasons (November 1, 2014 thru April 30, 2016) at the rate of \$19,300.00 per season as follows:

Antrim County Court House and Jail buildings	\$12,000.00
(Plow and Removal)	
Animal Shelter, Nifty Thrifty, Bellaire Dam,	
Emergency Services Building	\$ 4,000.00
(Plow only)	
Antrim County Transportation Building	\$ 3,300.00
(Plow only)	
Total cost per year	\$19,300.00

Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility renovation project totaling \$368,268.08 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.



It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order #35 totaling \$28,093.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that the quote from Wolverine Power System for the 911/Jail generator, Level 1 Maintenance Agreement be approved at a cost of \$360.00 for a one year period. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that the bid from K & K Heating & Cooling for the Grove Street Annex Building to replace two (2) rooftop air conditioners at a cost of \$7,576.00 be accepted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Marcus that Sergeant Steve Bratschi be authorized to make three (3) applications for 2% Tribal grants for the following: 1) \$30,000 for purchase of a MCC 5500 radio dispatch console desktop computer that pages emergency vehicles; 2) \$15,000 for purchase of 911 residential signs; 3) \$88,500 to bring Mancelona tower into the Simulcast system. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Dawson that Mike Meriwether proceed with the road repairs for washed-out access road to the County property off Skinkle Road at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00 and be paid from the Forestry Fund #230. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Dawson that the bid for the Timber Sale at the Kirkpatrick Forest Area be awarded to Sam Fahl owner and operator of Fahl Forest Products in the amount of \$23,500.00. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman directed the County Administrator, Peter Garwood to contact the Army Corps of Engineers to assess the Antrim Creek Natural Area (ACNA) Boat Launch for small improvements at the existing boat launch and adding Afton stone to the access road and relocating boulders/rocks.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Marcus that the Environmental Risk Managers Insurance contract be renewed for the Storage Tank Liability Insurance at the Antrim County Airport for the Underground Storage Tank (UTS) and the Above Storage Tank (AST), at the cost of \$1,852.75 and the coverage include terrorism insurance at a cost of \$100.00 per year and for the term of two (2) years, (10/11/2014 to 10/11/2016), that the cost per year not exceed \$1,952.75 and to be paid from the Airport Fund #581. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman that the minutes of September 11, 2014 be approved. Motion carried all present voting yes.

The Chairman appointed David Heeres to fill the existing vacant term of Jerroll Drenth Commissioner District #01 which expires December 31, 2014 and that the appointment be effective November 1, 2014.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the appointment of David Heeres to fill the vacant position of Jerroll Drenth, Commissioner District #01 with the term expiration date of December 31, 2014 and that the appointment be effective November 1, 2014. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; no – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman made the following appointments for the change of Committee Structure reducing the committees from eight (8) to four (4) committees as follows:

Finance, Ways and Means Committee

Chairman: Bernie Blackmore

Alternate: Karen Bargo

Members: Full Board

Claims and Accounts Review: Chairman of Finance, Chairman of Ways and Means,  
Chairman of Buildings, Lands and Infrastructure:  
Bernie Blackmore, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman

Administration and County Services Committee

Chairman: Laura Stanek

Members: Ed Boettcher, Gene Dawson

Buildings, Lands and Infrastructure Committee

Chairman: David Howelman

Members: Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus

Health and Public Safety Committee

Chairman: Ed Boettcher

Members: Karen Bargo, David Heeres

A motion was made by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the above appointments to the new committee structure be accepted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher to amend the appointment date of Commissioner District #01 David Heeres from November 1, 2014 to October 27, 2014 with the new committee structure and his appointment to the Health and Public Safety Committee scheduled to meet on October 29, 2014. Motion carried – Unanimous.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Greg Payne spoke on the County web site and concerns to the lack of a noise ordinance. Jim Rossiter spoke on a noise ordinance and that the legislature may be addressing this topic in the near future. Public comment closed at 12:14 p.m.

The Chairman referred the issue of noise ordinance concerns to the Health and Public Safety Committee Chairman Ed Boettcher.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: David Heeres, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Christian Marcus.

Absent: Bernard Blackmore

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Invocation offered by Randy Bishop

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Steve Grill representative of the Antrim County United Through Ecology (ACUTE) spoke on the impact of the TCE Plume to the public and the real estate market. He stated that the State of Michigan has reserved matching funds for the TCE Plume that will expire at the end of year. These funds are pending the outcome of the funding request made by ACUTE to the County. Randy Bishop Chairman Republic Party congratulated those re-elected into office and invited Board to the Republican Party Convention. He stated his concerns with the Antrim County Townships reporting system (the modem), which transmits the results to the County had failed on election night causing late results. Paul Saks presented handout to Board for the Antrim County Sheriff Department Marine Patrol and requested that the Board reconsider the 2015 Marine budget cuts. Public comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that the minutes of October 9, 2014 be approved. Motion carried all present voting yes.

Peter Garwood reported that the Village of Elk Rapids request for restroom facilities at the Elk Rapids Dam Beach.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Dawson that the Village of Elk Rapids move forward with their proposal for restroom facilities at the Elk Rapids Dam Beach and that the final site plan be presented to the Building, Lands and Infrastructure Committee for approval. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Dawson that the quote from Boss Land & Landscaping to plow the south entrance road at Antrim Creek Natural Area (ACNA), at a cost of \$25.00 per plow when there is 4” – 6” of snowfall and the cost be paid from the Antrim Creek Natural Area fund #234. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Stanek that the Antrim Creek Natural Area (ACNA) Metal Detector Policy be amended to change the phrases from “will be granted” to “may be granted” in sections a) and b) as presented in draft. Motion carried as follows: Yes - Heeres, Dawson, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; No – Bargy, Marcus; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Bargy that the Commission on Aging’s revised 2014 - 2015 Snow Removal Rules and the following list of Residential Snow Contractors and associated service agreements be approved pending legal review and approval.

Union Design and Landscaping, LLC – Senior Center Lot  
Boss Lawn & Landscaping – Snow Removal  
C & K Inc. – Snow Removal  
Contractors North – Snow Removal  
Dream Lakes Services, LLC – Snow Removal  
Garrett Landscaping (dba) – Snow Removal  
Marshall & Sons Contracting – Snow Removal  
Ponte Window Cleaning – Snow Removal  
SJ & Family Lawn Care – Snow Removal  
Up North Energy, LLC – Snow Removal  
Union Design and Landscaping, LLC – Snow Removal

Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Bargy that the Chairman be authorized to sign the recurring Federal grant application for Antrim County Transportation which will result in an increase of grant funding from 16% to 18.5% for the state reported Antrim County Transportation expenses. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Bargy that the Airport Manager John Strehl be approved to advertise the airport snow blower and airport snowplow for sale on eBay with a minimum reserve to be determined and legal terms deemed necessary pending legal counsel recommendations. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the Chairman and Sheriff be authorized to sign the contracts for the Antrim County Sheriff Department Agreements for 2015 for the Inmate Health Services Contract/Correctional Facility Physician Contract with David May, D.O. and the 2015 Inmate Health Service Contract/Correctional Facility Nurse Contract with Jennifer Held, R.N., the contract terms are for one (1) year to expire on December 31, 2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus the application for payment from the Christman Company for work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility renovation project totaling \$305,523.54 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order #36 totaling \$58,698.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order #37 be approved at no cost to Antrim County. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Boettcher that the Glacial Hills Trail System proceed with the concept of a 501(c) 3 to manage Glacial Hills Trails and maintenance of trails. That the property owned by the Village, Township and County each to maintain all their rights to their property and that a 501(c) 3 have no authority over the Kilpatrick Forest; and that all documentation detailing the 501(c) 3 including the members and the future operations be brought back to this Board. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Chairman appointed Ed Boettcher to the Glacial Hills Ad-hoc Committee to proceed with the concept with the Village of Bellaire and the Township of Forest Home for a 501(c) 3 for the trail system and the maintenance of trail system.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Marcus that the appointment of Ed Boettcher to the Glacial Hills Ad-Hoc Committee be accepted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman the claims and accounts totaling \$286,504.88 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes- Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the Commission on Aging Director be authorized to purchase a Meals on Wheels vehicle from Delivery Concepts, Midwest at a cost of \$32,942.00 and that the cost of title and delivery be paid from Commission on Aging Fund #297 as budgeted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Heeres that the County Accountant, Deb Haydell be authorized to make budget adjustments reallocating expenses of line items for wages and fringe benefits for the Commission on Aging's 2014 budgets fund #297. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the bid from A.S.C. for the Jail Video/Intercom be accepted at a cost of \$74,318.00, and a budget adjustment transfer of \$4,635.84 from the General fund Jail operating supply to General fund Capital Outlay. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Heeres to approve the release of \$30,000.00 from Capital Outlay for the Jail Video/Intercom project. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the Chairman be authorized to sign the contract between Antrim County Central Dispatch and Frontier Services Agreement for the equipment maintenance and services at a cost of \$4,025.41 for one (1) year and to be paid from the 911 Operations fund #261-348-802. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Dawson that a budget amendment be made to the 2015 budget in appropriations in the amount of \$1,522.00 for the Michigan State University Extension (MSUE). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford; No – Stanek, Marcus; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Boettcher that Christian Marcus has been appointed to the steering committee of the National Association of Counties' (NACO) Public Safety & Justice Committee, the cost to attend the out of state conference in Charleston, South Carolina, to include the registration, travel and lodging be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Boettcher that the 2015 appropriations contracts for the Antrim County Fair, the Traverse Area District Library, the Conservation Resource Alliance, and the Watershed Center be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Boettcher that the County Accountant be authorized to amend the 2014 budget to increase in the amount of \$4,900.00, for the purchase of the Commissioner tablets and to amend the 2015 budget to reflect the decrease in the amount of \$4,900.00 as budgeted for the Commissioner tablets. Motion carried as follows: Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the invoice for Northern Floor and Tile Services for new shower tile at Barnes Park at a cost of \$1,345.66 be approved and paid from the General fund, Capital Outlay and that the 2015 budget be amended to allow for the tile installation at the cost of \$1,731.34. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the transfer be made from the Antrim Conservation District Reserve Fund #165 in the amount of \$2,600.00, be transferred to the Antrim County Transportation Fund #588 to cover the cost of the repairs needed to the Conservation District truck. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman that the invoice from K&K Heating and Cooling for the furnace repair at the Animal Shelter at the cost of \$787.00 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.



It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek that the authorize the Chairman to sign the three (3) year contract with Charter Communications to provide 20mb/20mb fiber internet access at the cost of \$680.00 per month, one time installation fee at the cost of \$1,250 for total of \$9,410.00 in 2015. That the County Accountant amend the 2015 Budget to increase Fund #218-228-802.231 in the amount of \$1,250.00 and increase General fund #101-218-805.025 in the amount of \$5,300.00 for a total amount of \$6,425.00. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Marcus that the Antrim County Commissioners Procedures and Rules be amended and the implementation of a Consent Agenda be added to Section 5. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Information Technology (IT) Director Valerie Craft, and the Antrim County Sheriff, Daniel Bean be authorized to sign the Management Control Agreement between Information Technology (IT) Department and the Sheriff Office for the Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Maintenance Director, David Vitale be approved to move the irregular part-time custodian to the full time position currently vacant due to an employee off work and on Worker's Compensation. The irregular part-time custodian be moved to the permanent full-time custodian position effective January 1, 2015 after the retirement of custodian Pablo Bocado. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the funds be released and the Maintenance Director, David Vitale to begin the hiring process to fill the vacant irregular part-time custodian position to start on January 1, 2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No - None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the full Board packets be published on the Antrim County website. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

**SUPPORT SB 495, SB 496, SB 497, and SB 498 TO CURTAIL  
UNFUNDED MANDATES FROM THE STATE**

**RESOLUTION #26-14** by Laura Stanek, seconded by Ed Boettcher

**WE**, the LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

**WHEREAS**, in 2009, a report was presented to the Legislative and administration by the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates; and

**WHEREAS**, several unfunded mandates were brought to light in this report, which cost local municipalities millions of dollars each year, despite the requirement under the Headlee Amendment that the State provide funding to local units for State requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, a package of bills – SB 495, SB 496, SB 497, and SB 498 – implement the recommendations from the aforementioned report, curtailing unfunded mandates from the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners fully supports this long-overdue legislation; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners support SB 495-498 to curtail unfunded mandates from the State ; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Michigan counties, State Senator Howard Walker, Representative Greg MacMaster, Governor Rick Snyder, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes –David Heeres, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Christian Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – Bernard Blackmore.

**RESOLUTION #26-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

**CLEAN WATER ACT PROPOSED RULE FOR DEFINITION OF WATERS OF THE U.S.**

**RESOLUTION #27-14** by Karen Bargy, seconded by Ed Boettcher

**We**, the LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, respectfully submit the following resolution for your consideration: supporting the Waters of the United States Regulatory Overreach Protection Act of 2014, H.R. 5078. By necessary public infrastructure projects' budgets and timelines.

The proposed rule that prompted the introduction of H.R. 5078 – Definition of Waters of the U.S. Under the Clean Water Act – was released by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) on April 21. This rule amends the definition of Waters of the U.S. within the Clean Water Act (CWA) and expands the range of waters (and their conveyances) that would fall under federal regulatory authority.

**WHEREAS**, “The cost of operations and maintenance for public infrastructure, such as existing flood damage-reduction systems, will also be increased and will take more time to accomplish than it should for an existing facility – potentially putting public safety at risk and increasing flood damages.”

**WHEREAS**, federal officials will more control over how farmers, ranchers, manufactures, home builders, and local governments can use their property and subject it to new layers of costly reviews and permitting; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed definition also applies to all CWA programs, not just to the Section 404, permit program, and impacts nine different regulatory programs, including Section 402, which establishes the nation’s stormwater management program, and Section 401, which governs water quality certifications; and

**WHEREAS**, “waters of the U.S.” definition-tributary, adjacent waters, riparian areas, flood plains, and the exemptions listed-also raise important questions. It is uncertain how they will be used to effectively implement the Section 404 permit program; and

**WHEREAS**, Expanding the number of ditches that are regulated will increase necessary public infrastructure projects; budgets and timelines; and

**WHEREAS**, determining whether a project is jurisdictional can be very difficult, and if a project is deemed jurisdictional, it is then subjected to a multitude of regulatory requirements under CWA. Other federal laws are triggered, such as environmental impact statements, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and impacts on the Endangered Species Act (ESA); and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of operations and maintenance for public infrastructure, such as existing flood damages reduction systems, will also be increased; and

RESOLUTION # 27-14 continued.

**WHEREAS**, studies and public comment periods, all of which can cost both time and money, often as part of the approval process, the permit requires the applicant to “mitigate” the environmental impacts of the proposed project, sometimes at considerable expense; and

**WHEREAS**, Counties are responsible for building and maintaining 45 percent of public roads in 43 states. These responsibilities can range from intermittent maintenance, such as snow plowing, debris cleanup, short term paving and surface repairs to maintenance of traffic safety and road signage and major long-term construction projects. Many of these road systems are in very rural areas. Of the nation’s 3,069 counties, 50 percent (1,542) serve counties with populations below 25,000 residents; and

**WHEREAS**, any additional cost burdens are challenging to these smaller governments, especially since more rural counties have the most road miles and corresponding ditches. Stormwater management is often not funded as a water utility, but rather through a county or city general fund; and

**WHEREAS**, if stormwater costs significantly increase due to the proposed rule, not only will it potentially impact our ability to focus available resources on real, priority water quality issues, but it may also require that funds be diverted from other government services such as education, police, fire, etc; and

**WHEREAS**, Our County cannot assume additional unnecessary or unintended costs.

**WHEREAS**, this rule would impose a blanket jurisdictional determination over thousands of acres of private property. The effect would be to impose unnecessary property restrictions and uncertainty; and

**WHEREAS**, our County believes that more roadside ditches, flood control channels and stormwater management conveyances and treatment approaches will be federally regulated under this proposal is problematic because, our county is ultimately liable for maintaining the integrity of these ditches, channels, conveyances and treatment approaches, even if federal permits are not issued by the federal agencies in a timely manner; and

**WHEREAS**, much of the anticipated cost of this rule would be financed from municipal resources, and thus divert resources from other essential public services.

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the rule, include the following provisions that are priority concerns for local governments:

- Separate municipal storm sewers will continue to be regulated and permitted under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, and shall not be considered, either in their entirety or any individual feature thereof, Waters of the U.S.; and
- Green infrastructure developed to improve water quality or achieve multiple public benefits shall be encouraged and given priority consideration that does not impose additional financial and regulatory burdens of permitted and shall not be considered Waters of the United States; and
- Water delivery, reuse , and reclamation systems and facilities shall not be considered waters of the U.S.; and
- Ditches and other drainage features that protect and ensure the operation of public infrastructure shall not be considered waters of the U.S.; and
- Wastewater treatment systems and all associated infrastructure shall not be considered waters of the U.S.; and
- Any proposal to regulate waters within a floodplain, riparian, or any other general area must include a specific definition, including the specific boundaries, of the floodplain, riparian or other area subject to the rule; and
- The rule must include sufficient clarity and specificity to better inform regulators and permitted and to minimize the potential for litigation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that failure to address any one or all of these concerns shall be considered an unfunded mandate and the Federal government shall provide funding to local governments to address the cost of implementation.

Requiring that EPA and the USACE engage local governments and other stakeholders in drafting a rule that addresses to the satisfaction of local governments and other stakeholders the full economic impact for all sections of the Clean Water Act beyond Section 404 (e.g. Sections 301,311,401,402); incorporates the conclusions of the Science Advisory Board; and All concerns of Antrim County and counties with in the state of Michigan.

H.R. 5078 requires the EPA and the Corps to work closely with states and local governments to develop a “waters of the U.S.” rule, especially since we are partners with the federal government in implementing and enforcing Clean Water Act programs. Antrim County believes that states and local governments should be given the opportunity to provide meaningful consultation on rules before rules are formally proposed, especially if the rule will have a significant impact on capital costs, operations and mandates on the people we serve as required under Executive Order 13132: Federalism.

RESOLUTION #27-14 continued.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to all Michigan counties, Governor Rick Snyder, Michigan congressmen and women, US Senators, Michigan State Senator, the Michigan Association of Counties, and the National Association of Counties.

Yes – David Heeres, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Christian Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – Bernard Blackmore.

**RESOLUTION #27-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that all newly elected incoming County Commissioners be treated as new hires under the County's hybrid pension program through Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS), to be effective starting date of January 1, 2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes - Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

Public Comment: Steve Grill spoke on Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility and the excellent service that he and his family have experienced the facility is top notch. All staff members have been very professional, helpful, patient and concerned. Public comment closed at 12:00 noon.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Howelman the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss union negotiations for wages with the Antrim County General Unit, Antrim County Probate Court Unit and the status of Antrim County Transportation Bargaining Unit negotiations with the County Administrator, County Clerk and Prosecuting Attorney to remain in closed session. Motion carried by all present voting yes.

The Board retired to Closed Session at 12:10 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:24 p.m.

Jim Rossiter will contact the Office of the Attorney General to request the status of their "Opinion" on the TCE Plume and will report the results.

Jim Rossiter and Sheryl Guy both spoke on the Election night data collections and the concerns brought by Randy Bishop. The findings are no wrong doing and that the County modem was an electronic malfunction. All votes have been processed and the Board of Canvassers have been called in to continue the certification of the November 4, 2014 General Election results for Antrim County.

Laura Stanek left the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Michael Crawford gave a report on the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) and presented the County with a 2013 dividend for workers compensation in the amount of \$55,094.00. He stated that the County has received dividends that have exceeded \$257,280.00 since the year 2008 and that the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) offer many cost saving programs to Counties and encouraged member participation.

The meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

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Chairman Michael Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: David Heeres, Eugene Dawson, Karen Bargy, Ed Boettcher, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Christian Marcus.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Moment of Silence

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Steven Grill representative of the Antrim County United Through Ecology (ACUTE) spoke on the impact of the TCE Plume to the real estate market, surveying the local agents and twenty-two (22) have signed an impact statement and referred to the Antrim County Master Plan Chapter 10 Guiding Principles: The protection of water resources and well heads. Amy Jenema, Township Assessor spoke in support of Karleen Helmreich, Equalization Director's request to restore the part time Clerk II position to a full time position. Public comment closed at 9:09 a.m.

Jim Rossiter reported that he continues to work on civil matters and has met with the County Administrator on processes.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Bargy that the Chairman be authorized to sign the two (2) year Nutrition Purchase of Service (POS) Contracts for the Commission on Aging (COA) Dining Out Meal Program with Shirley's Café and Shirley's in the Woods Café (SST Enterprises, Inc.) and B.C. Pizza (Hammy LLC dba B.C. Pizza). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Bargy that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Antrim County Airport Hangar Lease Agreement between the County of Antrim and J. David and Susan L. Reck for the term of twenty (20) years commencing January 1, 2015, and expiring on December 31, 2034. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Bargy that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Tele-Rad, Inc. 2015 Service Agreement at the annual cost of \$26,839.20. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

**Consent Agenda:**

Bargy requested that two items be removed from the Consent Agenda as follows:

The 911 Phone System and the County Administrator Wages



A motion was made by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the Claims and Accounts be approved and paid in the amount of \$230,090.82. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

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A motion was made by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the 86<sup>th</sup> District Court be approved to move the half-time Office Coordinator position to a full time position effective January 1, 2015 and that the 86<sup>th</sup> District Court 2015 budget be increased in the amount of \$34,814.66. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #28-14** by Laura Stanek, seconded by Christian Marcus

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended (Act 51), it is necessary for the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, (hereby known as THE APPLICANT) established under Act 941-933 to provide a local transportation program for the state fiscal year of 2016 and, therefore, apply for state financial assistance under provisions of Act 51; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the governing body, to name an official representative for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to certify that no changes in eligibility documentation have occurred during the past state fiscal year; and

**WHEREAS**, the performance indicators have been reviewed and approved by the governing body.

**WHEREAS**, THE APPLICATION, has reviewed and approved the proposed balance (surplus) budget, and funding sources of estimated federal funds \$131,040, estimated state funds \$297,625, estimated local funds \$166,000, estimated fare box \$170,700, estimated other funds \$53,635, with total estimated expenses is \$819,000.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that THE APPLICANT hereby makes its intentions known to provide public transportation services and to apply for state financial assistance with this annual plan, in accordance with Act 51; and

**HEREBY**, appoints Alan Meacham, ACT Director as the Transportation Coordinator, for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51 for 2015.

Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;  
No – None;  
Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION # 28 -14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that a transfer in the amount of \$102,680.00 from the Commission on Aging fund #297-000-699.101 to the General fund #101 revenue be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

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It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that a revenue transfer in the amount of \$23,000.00 from the Capital Projects County Building and Structures Fund #470 to the General Fund #101 Capital Outlay #901, this donation be applied to the cost of construction of the Elk Rapids Day Park Pavilion be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that a budget amendment to the Revenue of the General Fund #101 Capital Outlay #901 in the amount of \$37,910.00 for the construction cost of the Elk Rapids Day Pavilion be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No - None; Absent - None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that a transfer in the amount of \$86,400.00 from Capital Projects County Building and Structures Fund #470 to the General Fund #101 revenue account for the County building's rooftop air handler unit and that a budget amendment of \$86,400.00 to the General Fund #101 Capital Outlay #901, for the cost of the County building's rooftop air handler unit. Motion as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the County Accountant be approved to make revenue amendments in the various departments in the 2014 General Fund #101 budget to increase in the amount of \$366,829.00, and various department decreases in the amount of \$233,660.00 resulting in a final increase amount of \$133,169.00. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus the expenditures amendments in various departments of the 2014 General Fund budget with an increase to expenditures in the amount of \$85,807.00, and a decrease in the expenditures of \$71,760.00 to reflect a total increase of expenditures in the amount of \$14,047.00 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the amendments for the 2014 "Other Funds" for revenue and expenditures be accepted. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that a transfer in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the 2014 General Fund budget 101-966-956.269 to the Law Library Fund Revenue #269-000-699.101 and that the budget amendment in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the General Fund department #145 Law Library be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that Debra Haydell, County Accountant, be authorized to sign the certification for the County-Wide 2015 Cost Allocation Plan. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

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It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that Debra Haydell, County Accountant be authorized to sign the certification for the County-Wide Cost Plan on an annual basis. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus to authorize Debra Haydell, County Accountant to, after consultation with the Finance Chairman and the County Administrator, make any necessary amendments to avoid negative fund balances for the General Fund and Other Funds at year end and present the results to the next Finance Committee meeting. In the absence of the Finance Committee Chairman, the County Accountant will consult with the Board Chairman. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that Antrim County Transportation Director, Alan Meacham be approved to purchase an emergency phone at the cost of \$1,449.67 from Frontier Communications and be paid from Antrim County Transportation Fund #588, line item for equipment. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the additional payment of \$1,584.00 to Arndt Electric (invoice #7743) for the Antrim County Airport emergency repair bringing the total cost of the replacement of cabling to the Fuel Farm project to \$3,451.00 be approved and paid from the Airport Fund #581, Contractual Services line item. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that for the purchase of the Antrim County Airport Snow Blower that funds from the airport's fund balance in the amount of \$3,482.00 be combined with the line item #954.295, current balance of \$2,918.00 to increase the line item to total \$6,400.00, which represents the 5% grant match for the snow blower purchase be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the contract with Mead & Hunt for the Antrim County Airport Design Replace Guidance Signs, Apron Lighting, & Wind Cone at the cost of \$16,779.12 to be paid in full by Antrim County, with the State of Michigan to reimburse 95% of cost upon completion of design work, be approved and paid from the 2015 Antrim County Airport Fund #581 budget, Capital Outlay, line item 581-901-980.285. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that Dave Vitale, Maintenance Director, be approved to replace two (2) cooling AHU damper actuators for the County Building and the cost not exceed \$2,000.00, and to be paid from the General Fund #101, County building for equipment maintenance. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

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It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that Leslie Meyers, Antrim County Emergency Management Coordinator, be authorized to apply for the 2% Tribal Grant to assist nine (9) fire departments throughout the County with training new officers with the County as the sponsor of the grant application. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Marcus that the Chairman of the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) be authorized to sign the Hazardous Mitigation Emergency Planning (HMEP) grant application for fiscal year 2014-2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus the application for payment from the Christman Company for the work at the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Renovation Project totaling \$211,351.84 be approved and paid. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that for the Meadowbrook Renovation Project, Owner Change Order #38 totaling \$31,474.00 be approved and added to Contingencies. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #29-14** by David Howelman, seconded by Eugene Dawson

**RESOLVED**, that Antrim County, Forest Home Township, and the Village of Bellaire are in favor of continued maintenance of the existing 31.5 miles of 8-foot wide trail system that are used for such purposes as hiking, biking, and cross country skiing upon the land commonly known as “Glacial Hills,” land that is collectively owned by these three units of local government; and

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the following three appointees are hereby charged with the creation of a joint venture agreement that will be established to manage the Glacial Hills trail system, such agreement to be presented to each of the three units of local government for their individual approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Chairman appoints Commissioner Ed Boettcher as the Antrim County Appointee.

Yes – Heeres, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford;

No – Dawson, Barga, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;  
Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #29-14 DECLARED FAILED.**

**RESOLUTION #30-14** By Karen Barga, seconded by Eugene Dawson

**RESOLVED**, that Antrim County, Forest Home Township, and the Village of Bellaire are in favor of continued maintenance of the existing 31.5 miles of 8-foot wide trail system that are used for purposes **such as but not limited to** hiking, biking, and cross country skiing upon the land commonly known as “Glacial Hills,” land that is collectively owned by these three units of local government; and

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**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the following three appointees are hereby charged with the creation of a joint venture agreement that will be established to manage the Glacial Hills trail system, such agreement to be presented to each of the three units of local government for their individual approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Chairman appoints Commissioner Ed Boettcher as the Antrim County Appointee.

Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;  
No – None;  
Absent - None.

**RESOLUTION #30-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that the Board request an in house title search be completed on the property of the estate of Fred Prince, his family has offered to donate a 20 acre parcel of forest land to Antrim County, which is located in Central Lake Township, the property is landlocked and has back taxes owed. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that the County Administrator be authorized to sign the grant application for the 2015 Remonumentation Program totaling \$46,529.00 and approve the submission of the application. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that the quote from Paul Koepke, Trees North to contract plowing at Glacial Hills, Vandermark lot at the cost of \$30.00 per plow when there is 4” to 6” of snowfall be accepted and the cost be paid from the Glacial Hills Fund # 238 be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Marcus that the Chairman be authorized to sign the one (1) year agreement with Lakeshore Energy Services, LLC providing natural gas at a cost not to

exceed \$0.445 cents per ccf beginning April 1, 2014 through March 2016. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent - None.

County Administrator Peter Garwood reported an error in the Buildings, Lands and Infrastructure Minutes dated November 4, 2014 for the total of the Meadowbrook Renovations Project Requests for Change #26, 212, 213, 216, and 217 total cost \$31,474.00.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Howelman that the Buildings, Lands and Infrastructure Committee Minutes be approved as corrected. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus; No – None; Absent – None.

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**RESOLUTION #31-14** by Laura Stanek, seconded by Christian Marcus

***Resolution of Appreciation to Jerroll Drenth***

**WHEREAS, Jerroll Drenth** was elected to the Antrim County Board of Commissioners serving from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2014; and

**WHEREAS,** during his term **Jerroll Drenth** served as Chairman of the Buildings & Grounds Committee and the Finance Committee and also served as a member of the following Standing Committees: Administration, Finance, Buildings & Grounds, and Public Works; and

**WHEREAS, Jerroll Drenth** served on the Antrim Creek Natural Area Commission; and

**WHEREAS, Jerroll Drenth** represented the Board of Commissioners at various times during his tenure as a member on the Economic Development Corporation and the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority; and

**WHEREAS, Jerroll Drenth** served as a liaison to the Circuit and District Courts; and

**WHEREAS, Jerroll Drenth** was a leader among the Commissioners in the promotion of sound budgetary decisions during his time as the Finance Committee Chairman, and

**WHEREAS, Jerroll Drenth** served Antrim County in other capacities prior to becoming a Commissioner, including as a member of the Economic Development Corporation Board and a twelve year member of the Antrim County Road Commission, and

**WHEREAS, Jerroll Drenth** always served as a key member during his service on the Board with honest and thoughtful consideration to each issue; and

**WHEREAS,** all of us at Antrim County have come to appreciate **Jerroll Drenth's** integrity and loyalty to Antrim County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Antrim County, expresses sincere appreciation to **Jerroll Drenth** for outstanding, dedicated service to the citizens of Antrim County.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this eleventh day of December, two thousand and fourteen, by unanimous vote of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;  
No – None;  
Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #31-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

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**RESOLUTION #32-14** by Laura Stanek, seconded by Christian Marcus

***Resolution of Appreciation to Gene Dawson***

**WHEREAS, Gene Dawson** was elected to the Antrim County Board of Commissioners serving from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2014; and

**WHEREAS, during his term Gene Dawson** served as Chairman of the Transportation Committee and the Parks Committee and also served as a member of the following Standing Committees: Transportation, County Lands, Agriculture & Forestry, Public Works, Buildings & Grounds, Parks & Lands; and

**WHEREAS, Gene Dawson** served on the Solid Waste and Recycling Council; and

**WHEREAS, Gene Dawson** represented the Board of Commissioners at various times during his tenure as a member on the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, and liaison to the County Road Commission; and

**WHEREAS, Gene Dawson** served as a liaison to the Grass River Natural Area; and

**WHEREAS, Gene Dawson** had a special place in his heart for the parks of Antrim County and was a vocal promoter of the purchase and creation of the Glacial Hill Pathway & Natural Area; and

**WHEREAS, Gene Dawson** put a positive effort into figuring out how the County could influence the appropriation of more funding for the road system in the County; and

**WHEREAS, Gene Dawson** always served as a key member during his service on the Board with honest and thoughtful consideration to each issue; and

**WHEREAS, all of us at Antrim County** have come to appreciate **Gene Dawson's** integrity and loyalty to Antrim County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Antrim County, expresses sincere appreciation to **Gene Dawson** for outstanding, dedicated service to the citizens of Antrim County.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this eleventh day of December, two thousand and fourteen, by unanimous vote of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #32-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

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**RESOLUTION #33-14** by Laura Stanek, seconded by Christian Marcus

***Resolution of Appreciation to David Howelman***

**WHEREAS**, **David Howelman** was elected to the Antrim County Board of Commissioners serving from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, during his term **David Howelman** served as Chairman of the Human Services Committee and the Buildings & Grounds Committee and also served as a member of the following Standing Committees: Human Services, Buildings & Grounds, Administration & County Services, Transportation, and Health, Animal Control & Public Safety; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Howelman** served as chairman of the Building & Grounds Committee during the Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility renovation construction project; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Howelman** served as a member of the Building & Grounds Committee during the construction of the Grass River Center; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Howelman** served on the Capital Improvements Plan Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Howelman** represented the Board of Commissioners at various times during his tenure as a member on the Planning Commission, Commission on Aging Board and the Northwest Michigan Community Health Department Board; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Howelman** served as a liaison to the Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility Board and the Antrim Conservation District Board; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Howelman** represented the Board of Commissioners on the ACUTE Board which tracked the TCE plume from the old Dura site in Mancelona and worked relentlessly with the DEQ



to address the issue; and

**WHEREAS, David Howelman** always served as a key member during his service on the Board with honest and thoughtful consideration to each issue; and

**WHEREAS,** all of us at Antrim County have come to appreciate **David Howelman's** integrity and loyalty to Antrim County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Antrim County, expresses sincere appreciation to **David Howelman** for outstanding, dedicated service to the citizens of Antrim County.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED,** this eleventh day of December, two thousand and fourteen, by unanimous vote of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

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Resolution # 33-14 continued

Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;  
No – None;  
Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #33-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

**RESOLUTION #34-14** by Laura Stanek, seconded by Christian Marcus

### ***Resolution of Appreciation to Bernie Blackmore***

**WHEREAS, Bernie Blackmore** was elected to the Antrim County Board of Commissioners serving from January 1, 1991, through December 31, 1992 and January 1, 1995 through December 31, 2014; and

**WHEREAS,** during his term **Bernie Blackmore** served as Chairman of the County Lands & Agriculture Committee, the Parks & Lands Committee, and the Finance Committee and also served as a member of the following Standing Committees: County Lands & Agriculture, Health, Animal Control & Public Safety, Parks & Lands, Human Services, Finance, and Administration & County Services; and

**WHEREAS, Bernie Blackmore** served on the Housing Committee, and the Antrim Creek Natural Area Commission; and

**WHEREAS, Bernie Blackmore** represented the Board of Commissioners at various times during his tenure as a member on the Community Collaborative Board and

**WHEREAS, Bernie Blackmore** served as a liaison to the Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility

Board; and

**WHEREAS, Bernie Blackmore** was a staunch supporter and promoter of the Antrim County parks and forestry system; and

**WHEREAS, Bernie Blackmore** had a special place in his heart for children moving through the Probate Court system in particular those in foster care; and

**WHEREAS, Bernie Blackmore** always served as a key member during his service on the Board with honest and thoughtful consideration to each issue; and

**WHEREAS,** all of us at Antrim County have come to appreciate **Bernie Blackmore's** integrity and loyalty to Antrim County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Antrim County, expresses sincere appreciation to **Bernie Blackmore** for outstanding, dedicated service to the citizens of Antrim County.

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Resolution #34-14

**PASSED AND ADOPTED,** this eleventh day of December, two thousand and fourteen, by unanimous vote of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Marcus;

No – None;

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION #34-14 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

Bernard Blackmore left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

County Administrator Peter Garwood reported that the Board will need to appoint a member to represent the Board at the mediation hearings for the County for the two (2) lawsuits.

The Chairman appointed Christian Marcus to represent the Board for the Mediation of the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Civil Case # 2014-8902-NM: JAMES FARRIS V ANTRIM COUNTY, ETAL.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Boettcher that Christian Marcus be appointed as representative on behalf of the Antrim County Board for the Mediation of the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Civil Case #2014-8902-NM: JAMES FARRIS V ANTRIM COUNTY, ETAL. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Chairman appointed Ed Boettcher to represent the Board for the Mediation of the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Case # 14-8908-NI MICHAEL R. BIGELOW, Personal Representative of the Estate of DOROTHY BIGELOW, Deceased v MEADOW BROOK MCF, ETAL.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Heeres that Ed Boettcher be appointed as representative on behalf of the Antrim County Board for the Mediation in the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Case #14-8908-NI MICHAEL R. BIGELOW, Personal Representative of the Estate of DOROTHY BIGELOW, Deceased v MEADOW BROOK MCF, ETAL. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Agreement between Antrim County and the Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) Work Plan for fiscal year 2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the County Clerk's temporary part time position be upgraded to a permanent part time position and that the Clerk's 2015 budget be amended in the amount of \$15,330.61. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; No – Marcus; Absent – Blackmore.

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It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the Equalization Director be approved to restore the part time Clerk II position to a full time Clerk II position with all benefits afforded to full time union employees and that the Equalization Department 2015 budget be increased in the amount of \$33,224.98. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Heeres that the funds be released and the Commission on Aging Director, Judy Parliament, be authorized to change the vacant full time secretary position to a full time Clerk II position and the position will include all the benefits afforded to the General Bargaining Unit. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Chairman be authorized to sign the one (1) year contract for network support and assistance for the IT Director Valerie Craft with Leelanau Professional Business Services, LLC at the cost of \$90.00 per hour commencing January 1, 2015 be approved and paid from the General Fund #101, Computer Department #228 for services-network. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher to authorize Detective Ed Smith to enroll in the following class for the 2015 winter semester; ISYS200 Database Design & Implementation (NMC equivalent CIT170 Microfilm Office Access) which is directly related to his position as the County Sheriff Department's Forensic Specialist and the cost be reimbursed from the General Fund #101, Sheriff's Department budget per agreement provided Mr. Smith submit proof of a passing grade in the class.

Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Antrim County Road Commission	Fred Hunt	term expires	12/31/2016
Antrim County COA Advisory Board	Sally Hannert	term expires	12/31/2015
	Jeanette Hayes	term expires	12/31/2015
	Beverly McCamman	term expires	12/31/2015
	Rick Teague	term expires	12/31/2015
DHS/Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility	Fred Harris	term expires	10/31/2016
E-911 Board	Paul Trumble	term expires	01/01/2018

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher the above Appointments be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes- Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

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The Chairman made the following appointments:

Economic Development Corporation	Janet Bassett	term expires	12/31/2020
	Randy Bishop	term expires	12/31/2015
	Kathleen Peterson	term expires	12/31/2020
Housing Committee	Laura Sexton	term expires	01/01/2018
North Country Community Mental Health Board	Louis Scholl	term expires	03/31/2017
Northern Lakes Economic Alliance	Sheridan Rhoads	term expires	12/31/2016
Park & Recreation Advisory Committee	Linda Gallagher	term expires	01/01/2018

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Marcus the above Appointments be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargy, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Marcus; No – Stanek; Absent – Blackmore.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Planning Commission	Ron Tschudy	term expires	12/31/2017
Solid Waste/Recycling Committee	David Kotwick	term expires	12/31/2017
	Susan Reck	term expires	12/31/2017
	Sue Schuler	term expires	12/31/2017
Veteran's Affairs	Bob Youmans	term expires	12/31/2018

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher the above Appointments be approved. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; No – Marcus; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that for all future committee meetings, the agendas with attachments will be posted on the County website when ready. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Dawson that the County Administrator, Peter Garwood be approved a 2.25% salary increase due to his job title which changed approximately four (4) years earlier; and had not been awarded an increase. Changing his title from County Coordinator/Planner to County Administrator, beginning January 1, 2015 and in addition he will also receive any annual increase given to the County employees and that the 2015 County Administrator budget be increased accordingly. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher to approve a 2015 budget amendment totaling \$170,000.00 for the purchase of the Next Generation 911 answering system from the E-911 (wireless) Fund #262 and to approve the application for the next round of CGAP grants. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

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It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Stanek the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss union negotiations for wages, salaries and benefits for a three (3) year contract with the Antrim County General Unit, Antrim County Probate Court Unit; and to negotiate a Wage Reopener for Antrim County Transportation Unit; and 2015 wages and salaries for the Unrepresented Probate Court, Unrepresented Prosecuting Attorney, Unrepresented General Group, County Administrator and Prosecuting Attorney; with the County Administrator, County Clerk, County Treasurer and Prosecuting Attorney to remain in closed session. Motion called by all present voting yes.

The Board retired to Closed Session at 12:10 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:24 p.m.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the Probate Court Union Contract for three (3) years: 2015, 2016 and 2017 be ratified and the individuals in the Probate Court Collective Bargaining Unit be approved a 2% increase in wages for each year and that all new hires effective January 1, 2015 be enrolled in the Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement (MERS) Hybrid Pension Plan with a 60 day waiting period with the removal of the random drug testing provision of the Drug and Alcohol Policy. All other provisions remain in full force and effect (testing based on suspicion and after accidents). Motion was carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No - None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher the Prosecuting Attorney and the Prosecuting Attorney Unrepresented shall receive a 2% increase in wages and salary for the year 2015 and effective January 1, 2015 all new hires shall be enrolled in the Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement (MERS) Hybrid Pension Plan with a 60 day waiting period with the removal of the random drug testing provision of the Drug and Alcohol Policy. All other provisions remain in full force and effect (testing based on suspicion and after accidents). This policy does not apply to elected officials unless they choose to be included. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that all irregular, part time employees and seasonal employees of the County shall receive a 2% wage increase for the year 2015. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the County Administrator receive a 2% increase in salary for the year 2015 and effective January 1, 2015 all new hires shall be enrolled in the Michigan Municipal Retirement (MERS) Hybrid Pension Plan with a 60 day waiting period with the removal of the random drug testing provision of the Drug and Alcohol Policy. All other provisions remain in full force and effect (testing based on suspicion and after accidents). Motion carried as follows: Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

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It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that the General Unrepresented shall receive a 2% increase in wages and salaries for the year 2015 and effective January 1, 2015 all new hires shall be enrolled in the Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement (MERS) Hybrid Pension Program with a 60 day waiting period with the removal of the random drug testing provision of the Drug and Alcohol Policy. All other provisions remain in full force and effect (testing based on suspicion and after accidents). This policy does not apply to elected officials unless they choose to be included. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the General Bargaining Unit be ratified for three (3) years 2015, 2016 and 2017 with an increase of wages in the amount of 2% for each year; and effective January 1, 2015 all new hires shall be enrolled in the Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) Hybrid Pension Plan with a 60 day waiting period; and the employer will reimburse Commission on Aging kitchen staff employees up to seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per year for non-slip shoes; with the removal of the random drug testing provision of the Drug and Alcohol Policy. All other provisions remain in full force and effect (testing based on suspicion and after accidents). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Bargo, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the Probate Court Unrepresented shall receive a 2% increase in wages and salaries for the year 2015; and effective January 1, 2015 all new hires shall be enrolled in the Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) Hybrid Pension Plan Program with a 60 day waiting period; with the removal of the random drug testing provision of the Drug and Alcohol Policy. All other provisions remain in full force and effect (testing based on suspicion and after accidents). Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Boettcher that the wage re-opener agreement be ratified and the individuals in the Antrim County Transportation (ACT) Collective Bargaining Unit be approved a 2% increase to wages. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Marcus; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman that the minutes of November 13, 2014 be approved. Motion carried – Unanimous.

It was moved by Marcus, seconded by Dawson that the funds be released and the Register of Deeds, be authorized to start the hiring process for the vacant full time position of Clerk II due to the retiring of Chief Deputy Bonnie Homan, and the Clerk II, Sally Freeman being promoted to Chief Deputy Register. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Heeres, Dawson, Barga, Boettcher, Howelman, Crawford, Marcus; No – Stanek; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Boettcher, seconded by Stanek that the minutes of the Closed Session dated November 13, 2014 be approved. Motion carried – Unanimous.

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Jim Rossiter spoke on the status of the Attorney General Opinion with the TCE Plume. The application for an Attorney General Opinion was filed with the Environmental Division and should have been filed with the Administrative Division. Mr. Rossiter has requested that the application be renewed and presented to the proper Attorney General Division and will report when new information is available.

Peter Garwood and Janet Koch spoke on the planning of Commissioner Orientation and encouraged members to sign out their iPad tablets and begin using them.

The Chairman spoke on the North West Michigan Council of Governments dashboard reporting system and that they are concentrating and focusing on grants for the continued expansion of the 131 Corridor to Mancelona.

Karen Barga stated that the North West Michigan Community Health Department Board will be meeting on the first Tuesday of the month and asked for special permission to attend.

The Chairman approved the request for Karen Bargy to attend the North West Michigan Health Department Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

The Chairman asked for Public Comment. There was none.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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Michael Crawford, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, County Clerk

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