

**CALHOUN COUNTY**  
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

July 17, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Regular Session of the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners convened at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, July 17, 2014 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, County Building, Marshall, MI.

Chair Kale called the meeting to order and requested the Deputy Clerk call the roll.

Present: Comrs. Todd, Haadsma, Frisbie, VanSickle and Kale

Excused: Comrs. Dunn and King

Staff Present: Assistant County Administrator Brad Wilcox, Human Resources Director Kim Archambault, Corporation Counsel Richard Lindsey and Deputy Clerk Chris McComb

2 and 3. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board held a moment of silence followed by Comr. Kale leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

"Moved Comr. Haadsma, second by Comr. Todd to approve the agenda of the July 17, 2014 Regular Session of the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners as presented."

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

5. CITIZENS' TIME

Thomas Sprau, Bedford Township Supervisor, stated the Water Resources Commissioner sent out some communication to residents showing an expanded district but the letter did not give a thorough explanation and he believed they needed better communication.

6. ELECTED/APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICIALS' COMMENTS

There was none.

## 7. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

### A. 2014 Centenarians Day Proclamation

Comr. Haadmsa read the resolution into the record.

**Whereas**, Calhoun County is a community that includes **28,000 older adults aged 60 and older with 6,500 individuals aged 80 years and older**; and at least **40 centenarians among us**; and

**Whereas**, the older adults in Calhoun County are among our most “treasured resources,” united by historical experiences, strengthened by diversity, and interpreting events through varied perspectives and backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our community; and

**Whereas**, increasing numbers of adults are remaining strong, active, and participating in civic duty for longer than ever before; and

**Whereas**, the older adults in Calhoun County deserve recognition for the contributions they have made and will continue to make to the culture, economy, and character of our community and our nation; and

**Whereas**, our community can provide that recognition and respect by improving the quality of life for older Calhoun County by increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged in community life; and

**Whereas**, youth is sometimes said to be wasted on the young with its undirected strength to do more, it remains that older adults are the teachers and bearers of cultural wisdom and knowledge that come with experience and age; and

**Now Therefore, We, the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners**, do hereby proclaim July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, as Centenarians Day. We urge every citizen to take time to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and volunteers who support and learn from them. Our recognition and involvement of older adults can only enrich our entire County’s quality of life.

#### Res. 116-2014

“Moved Comr. Haadsma, second by Comr. Todd to approve the following: Resolved the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the resolution proclaiming July 22, 2014 as Centenarians Day in Calhoun County as presented.”

Senior Services Manager Carl Gibson invited everyone to the luncheon to recognize centenarians in Calhoun County. He stated they knew there would be twelve or thirteen centenarians in attendance, extended the invitation to all residents 99 years and up and those who would like to honor them for building this community.

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Petitions, Communications, Reports

B. Resolutions

1. Appointment to the Solid Waste Planning Advisory Committee  
(Term to Expire December 31, 2015)

{a} Ron Giacobassi (Replacing Luke Perry)

Res. 117-2014

“Moved Comr. VanSickle, supported by Comr. Haadsma to approve the following:  
Resolved the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Consent  
Agenda of the July 17, 2014 Regular Session.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

10. SPECIAL COMMITTEE/ WORKSHOP/BOARD REPORTS

There was none.

11. UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

12. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

A. County Administrator/Controller’s Report

Assistant County Administrator Wilcox stated the Marshall Regional Law Enforcement Center (MRLEC) bond issuance would be done at the end of July, with funds available in August. He announced the groundbreaking ceremony for the facility would be held on July 22 at 1:30.

B. New Business

1. Amendment to the County Allocation Grant and the Contract Between Calhoun County and Community Action

Assistant County Administrator Wilcox stated this agenda item came from the Treasurer and was an amendment to a Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) grant and the coordinating contract with Community Action (CA) contract.

Treasurer Schauer stated the Board had previously approved the annual contract between Community Action (CA) and the county for home repairs using an allocation grant for \$300,000. She stated the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) was encouraging sub-grantees to incur a project delivery cost so CA was now drawing money from funds spent on project delivery fees. She stated that currently there was an 18% administrative fee that the county administers and retains 1%, with the remainder going to CA. She stated they had renegotiated the contract to change the amount the county retains to 3%.

Res. 118-2014

“Motion by Comr. Haadsma, second by Comr. Todd to approve the following: Resolved the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the amendment to the Calhoun County Allocation Grant and the amendment to the current contract between Calhoun County and Community Action as presented.”

On a roll call vote, Yes – 5, Excused – 2 (Dunn and King). Motion **CARRIED**.

2. 2013 Act 51 Financial Report

Assistant County Administrator Wilcox explained this report was required to receive Michigan Department of Transportation funds.

Road Department Managing Director Peterson explained the background of the report, noting that he had received a revised version just a few hours before the meeting and had been unable to distribute them to the Board.

Res. 119-2014

“Moved Comr. Frisbie, second by Comr. Haadsma to approve the following: Resolved the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners does hereby postpone action on the 2013 Act 51 Financial Report until the August 7, 2014 regularly scheduled meeting.”

On a roll call vote – Yes – 5, Excused – 2 (Dunn and King). Motion **CARRIED**.

3. Amendment to the 2014 Authorized Staffing Allocation Report for the Calhoun County Treasurer’s Office

Land Bank Director Trout Edwards stated the Land Bank was in need of administrative support to assist with outreach and support. She stated they had also received significant grant funding and needed assistance with program tracking.

Comr. Frisbie asked if the position would be needed after the grant funding was done.

Trout Edwards stated they would still be aggressive in getting grants so the position would be needed.

Comr. Todd thanked the Treasurer's Office for their hard work.

Res. 120-2014

“Moved Comr. VanSickle, second by Comr. Haadsma to approve the following: Resolved the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the changes to the 2014 Authorized Staffing Allocation Report for the Treasurer’s Office as presented.”

On a roll call vote – Yes – 5, Excused – 2 (Dunn and King). Motion **CARRIED**.

4. June 2014 Financial Statements

Assistant County Administrator Wilcox stated that each year at this time, the mid-year forecast goes out. He stated the courts were expecting a decline in revenue and expenses were trending on target but most line items were in good shape and we were not expecting any mid-year budget adjustments. He noted the 2015 budget packets would be going out at the beginning of August.

Res. 121-2014

“Moved Comr. Frisbie, second by Comr. Todd to approve the following: Resolved the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept for informational purposes the June 2014 Financial Statements as presented.”

On a roll call vote – Yes – 5, Excused – 2 (Dunn and King). Motion **CARRIED**.

13. CITIZEN’S TIME

Richard Ripkowski thanked the county and the Road Department for their work during the last storm but suggested better communication with entities such as Consumers Energy.

Matthew Hall, Sheridan Township, stated road crews had been partnering with Jackson County to work on patching.

14. COMMISSIONERS TIME

There was none.

15. CLAIMS PAYABLE

- A. Calhoun County Claims Payable for July 7 - 10, 2014 in the amount of \$607,997.41 and Road Department Payables from July 10, 2014 in the amount of \$854,290.12

Res. 122-2014

- B. “Moved Comr. Haadsma, supported by Comr. Todd to approve the following: Resolved, the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Calhoun County Claims Payable for July 7 - 10, 2014 in the amount of \$607,997.41 and Road Department Payables from July 10, 2014 in the amount of \$854,290.12 as presented.”

On a voice vote, Yes – 5, Excused – 2 (Dunn and King). Motion **CARRIED**.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Comr. VanSickle announced that on Sunday, July 27 the Marengo Township Firefighters would be holding a pancake breakfast.

Comr. Frisbie reminded everyone that Breakfast on the Farm at Crandall Farm would be held on Saturday, July 26 from 9-12.

Comr. Todd gave a reminder that on the 26th of July at 9am, Albion was having a tire collection sponsored by the Solid Waste Committee and the Health Department at Ketchum Field.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. at the call of the Chair.

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Chairman  
Calhoun County Board of Commissioners

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