

Crawford County Board of Commissioners

Regular Board Meeting of March 18, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman, Dave Stephenson, at 9:30 a.m. in the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan the 18th day of March, 2009.

Invocation by Commissioner Lange.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Hanson.

Roll Call: Stephenson, Rogers, Hanson, Pinkelman, Lange, and Anderson.

Absent – Beardslee.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk - Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present.

Others present at various times: Joe Wakeley, Alice Snyder, Ken Talsma, Mary Jergensen, Suzanne Luck, Tom Kozlowski, Ilene Geiss-Wilson, and Dan Sanderson.

Approval of the Regular Board Minutes

Motion by Hanson, second by Lange, to approve the minutes for the February 18, 2009 Regular Board Meeting with the amending of two (2) headings and the elimination of “intends to” under the Bond Resolution for the Fish Hatchery Property motion. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Lange, to accept the agenda as presented. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment

Senator Stamas’ aid Mary Jergensen advised the Senator held District Hours on Monday, March 16th and met with MSU Extension Director Linda Cronk about the proposed MSU Extension funding cuts.

Open Invoice Report and Prepaid Vouchers

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to authorize payment of the following claims:

General Fund:

Balance from "Open Invoice Rep"	31,593.26
Prepaid Invoices	159,075.53
Gross Payroll	179,630.30
Total General Fund	<u>370,299.09</u>

Millage/Road Patrol Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	4,502.34
Prepaid Invoices	860.53
Gross Payroll	15,981.49
Total Millage Fund	<u>21,344.36</u>

Economic Development Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	12,500.00
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	
Total EDF Fund	<u>12,500.00</u>

Tri-County 46th Trial Court

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	4,817.90
Gross Payroll	
Total Tri-County Court	<u>4,817.90</u>

Friend of the Court

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	9.80
Prepaid Invoices	2,406.44
Gross Payroll	11,582.87

Total Friend of the Court 13,999.11

Family Counseling Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"
Prepaid Invoices 196.00
Gross Payroll
Total Family Counseling Fund 196.00

Enforcement/Recycle Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report" 924.46
Prepaid Invoices 383.91
Gross Payroll 4,921.50
Total Enforcement Fund 6,229.87

COPS in Schools Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report" 260.00
Prepaid Invoices 61.36
Gross Payroll 6,402.24
Total COPS Fund 6,723.60

Building & Zoning Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report" 1,748.85
Prepaid Invoices 139.89
Gross Payroll 5,615.56
Total Building & Zoning Fund 7,504.30

MSU Cooperative Extension Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report" 2,593.79
Prepaid Invoices 311.69
Gross Payroll 1,003.68
Total MSU fund 3,909.16

Central Dispatch Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"
Prepaid Invoices 521.97
Gross Payroll 18,127.74
Total Central Dispatch Fund 18,649.71

Courthouse Preservation Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report" 850.90
Prepaid Invoices 4,559.26
Gross Payroll
Total Courthouse Preservation Fund 5,410.16

Law Library Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"
Prepaid Invoices 362.52
Gross Payroll
Total Library Fund 362.52

Family/Probate Court

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"
Prepaid Invoices 18,914.06
Gross Payroll 7,379.47
Total Family/Probate Court 26,293.53

Animal Shelter Debt Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report" 9,470.66
Prepaid Invoices
Gross Payroll
Total Animal Shelter Debt Fund 9,470.66

Fish Hatchery Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	140.11
Gross Payroll	
Total Fish Fund	<u><u>140.11</u></u>

Roll Call: Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson - aye, Motion Carried.

Approval Correspondence

Motion by Anderson, second by Hanson, to accept the correspondence as submitted. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Correspondence

1. Antrim County Board – Resolution to encourage Mason County to join MAC.
2. Lake County Board – Resolution opposing the 50% reduction in MSU funding.
3. Lenawee County Board – Resolution to encourage Mason County to join MAC.
4. Ogemaw County Board – Resolution requesting all counties join together to bring a measure of parity to the executive, judiciary and legislative branches of government.

Motion by Anderson, second by Pinkelman, to adopt a resolution of support for Ogemaw County on the separation of powers issues was withdrawn.

Motion by Anderson, second by Pinkelman, to support Ogemaw County to request legislative assistance in the remedy of apparent injustice on bringing court lawsuits on counties. Roll Call: Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Motion Carried.

5. Wayne County Commission – Resolution to request MI legislature implement a plan to improve MI roads and highways.
6. DNR – Public Notice of proposed May 5, 2009 Oil & Gas Lease Auction.
7. Michigan State Housing Development Authority – MSHDA Grant funds recaptured in the amount of \$17,741.00. Commissioner Lange advised that Housing Director, Cy Wakeley applied for this MSHDA Grant and was aware that the authority would recapture unused funds.
8. NEMCOG – Notice of Intent to apply for federal assistance by Target Alpena Development Corporation.
9. Northern Lakes Community Mental Health – Consumers Advocacy Council update.
10. MI Public Service Commission – Solarity Communications Hearing Notice.
11. DNR – Communication to Cris Jones regarding the past grant history for Hanson Hills and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs policy for recreation grants for GRA. Commissioner Lange advised GRA is working with Camp Commander Latuszek on securing a sound policy for GRA and the County.
12. Crawford AuSable School District – Board Briefs.
13. STING Quarterly Newsletter – October – December 2008 happenings.
14. MAC – Legislative updates for February 20, & 27, and March 6, & 13, 2009. Commissioner Anderson discussed the legislature considering optional vehicle license fees to fund state parks. Senator Stamas’ aid offered to take information back to the Senator.

Motion by Anderson, second by Rogers, to send a letter to the legislative bodies in the proposal to eliminate the \$24 annual State Park Access Pass and support the optional \$10 fee in license plates that will essential serve as a state park pass. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

15. Judge Patricia Morse – Court explanation for discontinuing magistrate coverage.
16. Judge Monte Burmeister – Response to Judge Morse’ letter of March 6, 2009 with attachments.

17. DEQ – New Source Review Application Report for Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver.
18. Road Commission – Notice of Hearing for 2009 Economic Stimulus Project.
19. CMU – Central Community Connections project.

FY-2008 Audit Report

County Auditor, Ken Talsma thanked Commissioners for their support to Anderson, Tackman & Company, as well as department heads for assistance to the FY2008 Audit. Mr. Talsma presented the basic financial statement audit for the period ended 9-30-08, as well as a graphical presentation of assets, liabilities and net assets, revenues and expenses, a five (5) year analysis, transfers in and out, fund balance 5 year comparison and federal expenditures. Mr. Talsma reviewed the report to management with board members and highlighted a couple issues, however, Mr. Talsma advised there are no issues of non-compliance. The county is seeing property taxes on a severe decline and it will have quite a impact on us in 2010. Some areas to watch as they have a reduction in fund balance is the building & zoning department with construction down, and the reduction of services in Central Dispatch. Mr. Talsma thanked the Board, Treasurer Wakeley and Controller Compo for their assistance.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to accept the FY2008 Audit Report as presented by County Auditor, Ken Talsma of Anderson, Tackman & Company. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

FY-2009/10 Community Plan

Commission on Aging Director, Alice Snyder reviewed the FY2010-12 Community Plan document with the Board. Ms. Snyder advised COA received a 15% response from registered citizens in their consumer needs assessment survey and was surprised to learn most seniors don't need help and want to be self sufficient. Within the past three (3) years the county has implemented the AuSable Free Clinic monthly; MI Medicare & Medicaid Program; and the Medicare Prescription Drug Program. Ms. Snyder advised there are two (2) future goals on a volunteer base for this year. 1. To assist with home repairs (Tuesday Tool Man Program) 2. Yard Work Program (Staff to create & staff to man it). Commissioner Anderson suggested school kids complete community service hours. Alice advised she is working on more intergenerational programs. This is the first time ever that there is a waiting list for commodities within the county. Christian Help Center has stepped up the senior box program through those that don't meet the criteria with commodities program. There is now a program funded through united way for heating needs. Commissioner Pinkelman reported that NEMSCA has a weatherization program in which they have stimulus money to be spent during the next 18 months. Ms. Snyder advised that Jack Mahank is planning to attend a Grant Writing Program.

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to adopt the FY2010-12 Community Plan as presented by the Commission on Aging Director. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

COA Director, Alice Snyder circulated the top 10 questions about moving the Grayling Senior Center to the Fish Hatchery Building for the Board to familiarize themselves with the issues.

Recess at 10:51 a.m. and resumed at 11:01 a.m.

Department Report

Sports Complex Policy Statement

The Board reviewed the Sports Complex Policy Statement with minor changes.

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to adopt the Sports Complex Policy Statement 032009 as presented. Roll Call: Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Motion Carried.

The Controller inquired on the appointment of the two (2) Sports Complex Committee members. Chairman Stephenson appointed Commissioners Hanson and Lange as the two (2) Sports Complex Committee Members.

The Controller advised the Audit committee met yesterday, as well as the building committee and will be ready to bring any loose ends to the April Committee Meeting.

Clerk Report

County Clerk, Sandra Moore advised the American Red Cross Heroe program will include Crawford and twelve (12) other counties next year. The Clerk placed the following on file: NMSAS 2008 Annual Report; The NorthEast Michigan Council of Government (NEMCOG) 2009 Directory;; District Health Department #10 Financial Statements; Crawford County Master Plan; and advised the Board appointed terms expiring next month will be the two (2) County Compensation Committee appointees.

Unfinished Business – None.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Rogers – The Commissioner advised she had nothing to report.

Commissioner Hanson - The Commissioner advised he had no Personnel & Labor Committee Recommendations to report.

ORV Ordinance Public Hearing and Informational Hearing

Motion by Hanson, second by Lange, to request the ORV Ordinance be placed on the Wednesday, April 15th Meeting Agenda as a 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing. Roll Call: Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Motion Carried.

Motion by Hanson, second by Lange, to advertise to host a ORV Informational Meeting on Thursday, April 2nd at 6:00 p.m. was withdrawn.

Motion Amended by Hanson, second by Lange, to advertise and host an ORV Informational Meeting on April 2nd at 6:30 p.m. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Pinkelman – The Commissioner reported her Law Enforcement Committee recommendation.

Extended Vacation Hours for Sheriff Employee

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to authorize the Sheriff to extend sixty-five (65) vacation hours for Sergeant Baerlocher to utilize the time by April 16, 2009. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to authorize the Sheriff to extend eighteen (18) vacation hours for Theresa Andrews to utilize in July 2009. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

The Commissioner indicated she will attend a Poverty Reduction Initiative Dual State Mobilization Strategy Program on Wednesday, March 25 at the Grayling Days Inn. Dr. Donna Beegle will be the presenter. The Commissioner further reported foster care parents are needed state wide.

Motorola XTL Console for 911 Dispatch Center

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Lange, to approve the 20% match for the Homeland Security Grant to purchase a 800 MHZ Motorola XTL Console for the Dispatch Center with a cost not to exceed \$1,600.00. Roll Call: Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Lange – The Commissioner reported his Ways & Means Committee recommendations.

CASA – Sports Field

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to transfer \$35,000 funds from the Economic Development Fund to the Sports Complex Redevelopment Fund. Roll Call: Roll Call: Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Motion Carried.

American Red Cross – March designated as Red Cross Month.

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to adopt resolution 31809 to recognize the American Red Cross and its essential humanitarian role in Crawford County and designate March as American Red Cross Month. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Master Plan Resolution of Concurrence

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to endorse the Resolution of Concurrence and adopt the Crawford County Master Plan 031809A. Roll Call: Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Motion Carried.

Resolution to Borrow Against Anticipated Delinquent '08 Real Property Taxes

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to adopt Resolution 31809B to borrow up to \$2,000,000.00 against Anticipated Delinquent 2008 Real Property Taxes. Roll Call: Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Motion Carried.

Resolution of Agency

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to adopt the Resolution establishing the Crawford County Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund 31908C pursuant to Section 87b of Act No 206, Public Acts of Michigan, 1893, as amended 031809C. Roll Call: Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Motion Carried.

County Treasurer FY08 & 1st Four Months of FY09 Investment Reports

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to accept the County Treasurer's FY2008 and 1st four months of FY2009 Investment Reports. Roll Call: Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) none, Motion Carried.

Depository and Investment Resolution

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to receive and file the County Treasurers Depository and Investment Report for FY2008 with a breakdown for 1st four month of FY2009 (10-1-08/1-31-09) 031809D. Roll Call: Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee - absent, Motion Carried.

Building and Zoning Vehicle

Motion by Lange, second by Rogers, to authorize the Controller to spend up to \$2,500.00 additional for a Building & Zoning vehicle after trade-in with the county truck. Roll Call: Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Motion Carried.

Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of 3-5-09 as read. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Anderson – The Commissioner submitted county news on Ohio County fights foreclosures with county land banks and will issue bonds; Chairman Stephenson inquired on whether the Commissioner would work with the Controller and Treasurer to implement such a program. The Commissioner further addressed the Petoskey News-Review on addiction's as there is a serious problem with prescription drugs being sold on the street. The Commissioner copied the Annual Activities Report for 2008 and advised there are housing prevention grant programs available. Crawford County presently has a housing establishment in foreclosure.

Commissioner Beardslee – The Commissioner was absent.

Commissioner Stephenson – The Commissioner advised State Library Expert, Lance Werner, has offered to attend the May 7th committee meeting to review board concerns relative to what access children have in the library. Mr. Werner is scheduled to appear at 6:00 p.m. for this very

important informational meeting. The commissioner placed a packet of information on file from Rowe Professional Services and the extended engineering capabilities they offer. The Commissioner advised he met with Camp Commander Lt. Colonel Latuszek, Jim Robson, and Commissioners Hanson and Lange, for the joint maneuver training center at Camp Grayling and a memorandum of understanding by and between MDMVA/JMTC-DG and Crawford County. They will continue to meet and bring a final agreement back to the board.

New Business – None.

Extended Public Comment – None.

Announcements – None.

Adjournment

Motion by Hanson, second by Lange, to adjourn the meeting at 11:39 a.m. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Dave Stephenson, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Register