

# Crawford County Board of Commissioners

## Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman, Dave Stephenson, at 9:31 a.m. in the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan the 20st day of October, 2010.

Invocation by Commissioner Stephenson.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Hanson.

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

Absent – Beardslee.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk-Register of Deeds - Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present.

Others present at various times: Ilene Geiss-Wilson, Doug Pratt, Carol Conklin, Don Babcock, Mary Jergensen and Dan Sanderson.

### Approval of the Regular Board Minutes

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to approve the Minutes for the September 15, 2010 Regular Board Meeting with a correction to page 6 under NorthWest Design Group, to replace liquidated damages with “final draw”. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

### Approval of the Special Board Budget Minutes

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to approve the Minutes for the September 29, 2010 Special Board Budget Meeting as presented. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

### Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to accept the agenda and add item 16 – Letter from Clare County regarding MMR. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment - None.

### Open Invoice Report and Prepaid Vouchers

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

#### General Fund:

Balance from "Open Invoice Rep"	6,285.88
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	95,864.68
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b><u><u>102,150.56</u></u></b>

#### Millage/Road Patrol Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	202.95
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	11,579.01
<b>Total Millage Fund</b>	<b><u><u>11,781.96</u></u></b>

#### Friend of the Court

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	656.25
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	5,181.58
<b>Total Friend of the Court</b>	<b><u><u>5,837.83</u></u></b>

#### Airport Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	23.60
<b>Total Airport Fund</b>	<b><u><u>23.60</u></u></b>

**Enforcement/Recycle Fund**

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	1,435.33
<b>Total Enforcement Fund</b>	<b><u>1,435.33</u></b>

**COPS in Schools Fund**

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	1,784.85
<b>Total COPS Fund</b>	<b><u>1,784.85</u></b>

**Building & Zoning Fund**

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	1,950.60
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	1,759.38
<b>Total Building &amp; Zoning Fund</b>	<b><u>3,709.98</u></b>

**MSU Cooperative Extension Fund**

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	547.56
<b>Total MSU fund</b>	<b><u>547.56</u></b>

**Central Dispatch Fund**

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	9,424.17
<b>Total Central Dispatch Fund</b>	<b><u>9,424.17</u></b>

**Family/Probate Court**

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	
Gross Payroll	4,563.03
<b>Total Family/Probate Court</b>	<b><u>4,563.03</u></b>

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

**Correspondence**

1. Hillsdale County Board – Resolution opposing the increase for residential facilities as it is nothing more than yet another unfounded mandate and urge the state to eliminate this proposed issue.
2. Lenawee County Board – Resolution supporting the adoption of Senate Bill 449 as written by the House of Representatives.
3. Clark Hill – In the Matter of the Application of U.S. MetroTel, LLC d/b/a S7 Digital Communications.
4. Michigan Public Service Commission – Notice of Public Hearing.
5. Young, Graham, Elsenheimer & Wendling, PC – Forest Dunes Golf Club tax appeal funding.
6. Enbridge Energy – Response to oil spill and plans are underway to restart the pipeline in Marshall, Michigan.
7. Lake Margrethe Property Owners Association – The Ripples newsletter.

8. MDOT – Workshop scheduled at Crawford County Road Commission Office at 11:00 on 10-28-10.
9. MAC - Legislative updates for September 17, & 24, and October 1, 8, & 15, 2010.
10. Department of Human Services – Notice of program enhancements for Foster Care Program.
11. Jerry Atherholt – Letter regarding questions on Energy Drilling in Northern Michigan.
12. DNR – Notice of county lands that the State may hold oil & gas mineral rights. Commissioner Hanson questioned the Fish Hatchery lands. Chairman Stephenson advised he contacted Kimberly Venne from the State to review county parcels and the Fish Hatchery and Sports Complex lands fall under category C leasable nondevelopment - Leaseable mineral rights with no surface use or disturbance unless approved by Lessor (the county).
13. DNR – Mason Tract Meeting Minutes of 8-23-10.
14. DNR – Landfill Inspections.
15. DNR – Oil & Gas Lease Auction October 26 - 28, 2010.
16. Clare County Sentinel – Citizens object to second ambulance service moving into Clare County. Commissioner Pinkelman inquired on whether the county can contract with another company and if MMR has scheduled any upcoming meeting. Controller Compo remarked that MMR will meet if called and their rates are established through a written agreement.

**Department Reports**

**Clerk Report**

County Clerk Sandra Moore advised she received an invitation for the Broadband Build-out Panel Discussion meeting for Tuesday, October 26, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the University Center in Gaylord and hosted by the Northern Michigan Broadband Co-op.

The Clerk indicated that Road Commissioner Ken Riehle passed away on Monday, October 18, 2010. Mr. Riehle is listed on the ballot with no opposition. Son of Ken Riehle submitted a letter to the Clerk to request the The Clerk provided statutes that allow the County to appoint to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the year. Discussion followed to allow the party to nominate a replacement candidate or have a write-in campaign and the Board inquired with Road Commission Manager if a replacement is necessary for the next two (2) months. Mr. Babcock advised it would be advantageous to have another member appointed with the Commission being a three (3) member board. Discussion followed to wait until after the election to hold a special meeting to make the road commission board appointment.

**Special Board Meeting**

Motion by Lange, second by Anderson, to authorize the Board to set a special meeting on Thursday, November 4, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. to hold a Special Meeting. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

**Controller Report**

Controller Paul Compo advised he meet with Township Supervisors regarding zoning services. Chairman Stephenson inquired if the county needs to meet with Township Officials. Controller Compo advised he met with City and Grayling Charter Township and they are in agreement to explore countywide zoning.

The Controller advised a AFSCME union meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2010.

**2010 Millage Apportionment Report**

Equalization Director, Kevin Hunter is at an education meeting in Traverse City. The Controller reviewed the millage rates which are the same as last year.

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to adopt the following 2010 Millage Apportionment Report:

<b>Crawford County</b>		<b>Lovells Township</b>	
Allocated	6.0925	Allocated	0.8232
Public Transit	0.7027	Voted-Landfill	1.8053

Comm on Aging	0.4685	Special Assessment	1.8274
Grayling Rec Authority	0.4845	by class	
Library Debt	0.2100	<b>Total</b>	<b>4.4559</b>
Library Operational	0.4458		
Sheriff Dept Oper	0.8917	<b>Maple Forest Township</b>	
Road	<u>1.0000</u>	Allocated	0.8149
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.2957</b>	Voted-Fire	<u>1.0000</u>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1.8149</b>
<b>Crawford AuSable School</b>		<b>South Branch Township</b>	
Homestead Operation	6.0000	Allocated	0.8475
Non-Homestead Oper	18.0000	Voted-Operation	<u>0.9797</u>
Debt Retirement	<u>4.8000</u>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.8272</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>28.8000</b>		
		<b>Gaylord Community School</b>	
<b>Gerrish-Higgins School</b>		Homestead	6.0000
Homestead Operation	6.0000	Non-Homestead Oper	18.0000
Non-Homestead Oper	18.0000	Voted-Debt	2.7600
Debt Retirement	<u>1.9500</u>	Extra Voted Operation	<u>1.1378</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>25.9500</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>27.8978</b>
		<b>C.O.P. Intermediate</b>	
<b>Kirtland Community College</b>		Allocated	0.2597
Voted-Operation	2.1093	Voted-Extra	0.6418
Debt	<u>0.1100</u>	Voted-Operation	<u>0.8458</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.2193</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.7473</b>
		<b>City of Grayling</b>	
<b>COOR Intermediate</b>		Charter Operation	14.8000
Allocated-Operation	0.2530		
Voted-Special Ed	<u>0.7500</u>	<b>Grayling Township</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.0030</b>	Allocated	0.8768
<b>Beaver Creek Township</b>			
Allocated	0.9701		
<b>Frederic Township</b>			
Allocated	0.8472		
Voted-Fire	1.9862		
Voted-Ambul	<u>0.9434</u>		
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.7768</b>		

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

### **Retiree Insurance Deductible**

Tom Coors appeared to request the County consider paying his deductible as Priority Health has not allowed his Chiropractor to be in network. Controller Compo advised Priority Health only lets so many providers in the network each year and Dr. Denholm is not one of them. The deductible is \$204.00 and Mr. Coors agreed to split the cost at \$102.00.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to authorize the County to pay \$102.00 towards Tom Coors deductible for Retiree Insurance with Priority Health Care.

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

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Grayling Recreation Authority Resolution**

Controller Compo advised the resolution has been reviewed by the Assistant Prosecutor, and this will allow GRA to be able to seek grant funding for projects.

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to allow the Board Chair to sign 10202010-GRA Resolution recognizing the Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) operating agreement between the County and GRA as presented. Roll Call: Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Motion Carried.

### **Library Board Application**

Frederic Township resident Kim Butwell applied for the Library and an interview was conducted previously.

### **Commissioners Reports**

**Commissioner Rogers** – The Commissioner had nothing to report.

**Commissioner Hanson** - The Commissioner had nothing to report.

**Commissioner Pinkelman** - The Commissioner reported her Law Enforcement Committee recommendations.

**FY2011 County Jail Reimbursement Program**

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to authorize the Chairman to enter into the Michigan Department of Corrections FY2011 County Jail Reimbursement Program Option A. Roll Call: Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Motion Carried.

**Sheriff Full Time Position**

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to allow the Sheriff to fill the vacant deputy position and take the part time position and make it full time. Roll Call: Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Motion Carried.

**County Building Dedication Ceremony**

Commissioner Pinkelman suggested the county hold a building ceremony before yearend. Discussion followed to hold a ceremony in conjunction with the Christmas luncheon. Discussion followed that the building is closed for the luncheon and a ceremony should be a community open house venue.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to hold the Employees Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 15, 2010 and to coordinate an open house for the County Building Dedication Ceremony thereafter. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

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

**Planning Commission Structure**

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to request the Controller send a letter to the Townships/City and School, to inquire if they are interested in the creation of a county wide planning commission. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

**Executive Session Minutes**

Motion by Hanson, second by Rogers, to accept the October 7, 2010 Executive Session Minutes as read. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

**Condolence Letter to Riehle Family**

Motion by Lange, second by Hanson, to request the Controller submit a condolence letter to the Riehle Family for the recent loss of Road Commissioner Ken Riehle. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

**Commissioner Stephenson** – The Commissioner requested the county look towards moving Building and Zoning offices to the basement to allow 911 to have the emergency center in the present dispatch center and move the dispatch center over to the Building and Zoning office.

**Commissioner Anderson** – The Commissioner reported his Personnel and Labor Committee recommendation.

**Sheriff Employee – Extended Vacation Hours**

Motion by Anderson, second by Lange, to honor the Sheriff's request to extend one hundred twelve (112) vacation hours to Deputy Finstrom until January 4, 2011. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

**Commissioner Beardslee** – The Commissioner was absent.

Recess at 10:38 a.m. and reconvened at 10:52

**New Business**

**Appointment of Library Board Member**

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to appoint Kim Butwell to the Library Board for a term ending 10-31-15. Ayes (4) four, nays (2) two, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

**Announcements**

Library Board President, Jeri Selthoffer informed members that the present Library By-laws call for the election of officers by October 1<sup>st</sup> which is awkward as the Board appointment is at the end of the month.

Carol Conklin expressed disappointment with the Board in appointing a person that didn't attend this meeting and the present library president here and requesting reappointment.

**Executive Session**

Motion by Lange, second Hanson, to enter into a closed session to discuss a potential property purchase and allow Curt Jansen to remain in the session (11:08 a.m.) Roll Call: Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Motion Carried.

Executive Session began at 11:08 a.m. and concluded at 11:25 a.m.

**Executive Session Minutes**

Motion by Lange, second by Pinkelman, to accept the Executive Session minutes of October 20, 2010 as read. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

**Announcements**

Commissioner Pinkelman requested the vote for the Library Board position be revisited.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to reconsider the motion for the Library board. Ayes (5) five, nays (1) one, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Chairman Stephenson called for the vote for Library candidates.

Kim Butwell – 3 votes, Jeri Selthoffer – 2 votes. Commissioner Hanson choose not to vote and Commissioner Beardslee absent.

Motion by Hanson, second by Anderson, to request the library vacancy be extended another couple of weeks. Ayes (3) three, nays (3) three, absent (1) one, Motion Failed.

Motion by Lange, second by Anderson, to appoint Kim Butwell to the five (5) year term. Ayes (3) three, nays (3) three, absent (1) one, Motion Failed.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to reappoint Jeri Selthoffer to the Library Board for a term ending 10-31-15. Ayes (3) three, nays (3) three, absent (1) one, Motion Failed.

The Clerk to place the appointment on the next scheduled meeting.

Controller Paul Compo advised he will be out of the office for a couple of days.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Hanson, second by Lange, to adjourn meeting at 11:58 p.m. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

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Dave Stephenson, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners

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Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds