

Crawford County Board of Commissioners

Regular Board Meeting of March 16, 2011

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 16th day of March, 2011.

Invocation by Commissioner Stephenson.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Hanson.

Roll Call: Stephenson, Rogers, Pinkelman, Hanson, Munsey and ; Anderson~~and Beardslee~~.

Absent – Beardslee.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk - Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present.

Others present at various times: Joe Wakeley, Bob Haske, Jay Stephan, John Chad, Ilene Geiss-Wilson, Gary Neumann, Todd Golnick, Kay Golnick, Todd Serby, Tom Coors, Jason Alexander, and Dan Sanderson.

Approval of the Regular Board Minutes

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Hanson, to approve the minutes for the February 16, 2011 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Consensus to move Department Reports after the Shawono Center presentation.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Brief Public Comment

Jay Stephan advised he hasn't received his response from the February 26, 2011 meeting regarding the millage and bond proposals. The Controller advised he will be mailing the letter out today.

Mr. Stephan inquired on what the county plans to do with the 2009 and 2010 millage's that were collected for Public Transit. Chairman Stephenson advised the County received a legal opinion from our attorney advising the claim must be 35 days from the date the county spreads the millage (December 1st each year), thus the County is not obligated to refund residents. Mr. Stephan inquired on the Commission on Aging and the County Operating Millage. Chairman Stephenson advised the County is reviewing all options with our Bond Counsel as residents voted on the language for an indefinite period of time, and we are working to rectify the issue. Case law will be provided to Mr. Stephan regarding similar state issues.

Open Invoice Report and Prepaid Vouchers

Motion by Rogers, second by Hanson, to authorize payment of the following claims:

General Fund:

Balance from "Open Invoice Rep"	47,381.06
Prepaid Invoices	164,189.91
Gross Payroll	178,526.03
Total General Fund	<u>390,097.00</u>

Millage/Road Patrol Fund

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	1,027.98
Prepaid Invoices	1,486.75
Gross Payroll	17,786.51
Total Millage Fund	<u>20,301.24</u>

Title V Planning Grant

Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	0.00
Prepaid Invoices	3,589.11
Gross Payroll	769.44
Total Title V Fund	<u>4,358.55</u>

<u>Tri-County 46th Trial Court</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	392.97
Prepaid Invoices	9,476.30
Gross Payroll	0.00
Total Tri-County Court	<u>9,869.27</u>

<u>Friend of the Court</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	0.00
Prepaid Invoices	1,841.14
Gross Payroll	12,134.37
Total Friend of the Court	<u>13,975.51</u>

<u>Family Counseling Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	686.20
Prepaid Invoices	572.65
Gross Payroll	0.00
Total Family Counseling Fund	<u>1,258.85</u>

<u>Airport Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	2,304.45
Prepaid Invoices	3,102.84
Gross Payroll	53.10
Total Airport Fund	<u>5,460.39</u>

<u>Enforcement/Recycle Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	852.48
Prepaid Invoices	3,586.51
Gross Payroll	2,871.75
Total Enforcement Fund	<u>7,310.74</u>

<u>COPS in Schools Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	
Prepaid Invoices	4.20
Gross Payroll	3,753.12
Total COPS Fund	<u>3,757.32</u>

<u>Building & Zoning Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	1,588.21
Prepaid Invoices	136.18
Gross Payroll	3,518.76
Total Building & Zoning Fund	<u>5,243.15</u>

<u>MSU Cooperative Extension Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	63.29
Prepaid Invoices	149.98
Gross Payroll	1,071.34
Total MSU fund	<u>1,284.61</u>

<u>Central Dispatch Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	2.12
Prepaid Invoices	95.38
Gross Payroll	18,932.12
Total Central Dispatch Fund	<u>19,029.62</u>

<u>Courthouse Preservation Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	30.72
Prepaid Invoices	0.00
Gross Payroll	0.00
Total Courthouse Preservation Fund	<u>30.72</u>

<u>Law Library Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	403.48
Prepaid Invoices	0.00
Gross Payroll	0.00
Total Library Fund	<u>403.48</u>

<u>Family/Probate Court</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	0.00
Prepaid Invoices	23,964.95
Gross Payroll	9,497.08
Total Family/Probate Court	<u>33,462.03</u>

<u>Fish Hatchery Fund</u>	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	0.00
Prepaid Invoices	30.60
Gross Payroll	0.00
Total Fish Fund	<u>30.60</u>

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

Approval Correspondence

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

Correspondence

1. Ogemaw County Clerk – Resolution of support for Elective Cardiac Catheterization.
2. U.S. Army Corps – Public Notice for Nationwide Permit Reissuance Request for Questions.
3. Michigan Public Service Commission – Notice of Hearing for the Basic Local Exchange Service.
4. Michigan Public Service Commission – Notice of Hearing for Consumers Power Company.
5. NEMCOG – Public Notice.
6. Department of Human Services – Amended 2010-11 Annual Plan & Budget for Child Care Fund is approved.
7. MAC - Legislative updates for February 25, and March 4, & 11, 2011.
8. STING Scoop – Quarterly Newsletter.
9. Chief Judge Janet Allen – Request appointment of Clairene Jorella to the Jury Commission for term ending April 30, 2017.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Rogers, to reappoint Clairene Jorella to the Jury Commission for a term ending April 30, 2017. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

10. NMSAS – Opportunities for Integration in an evolving Healthcare Environment. Commissioner Anderson advised the northern affiliation continues to lose Substance Abuse funding and northern Michigan can no longer sit back while downstate counties receive funding.

Motion by Anderson, second by Rogers, to support Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services on the potential integration of responsibilities, functions, services and staffing for NMSAS. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

FY-2010 Audit Report

Bob Haske appeared on behalf of Ken Talsma, County Auditor of Anderson, Tackman & Company to present the FY2010 Audit. Mr. Haske presented the basic financial statement audit for the period ended 9-30-10, 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. Haske advised the County continues to remain within budget and advised there are no issues of non-compliance. Chairman Stephenson inquired how Crawford County stands amongst the other counties they audit. Mr. Haske advised Crawford County has done a good job with just enough fund balance.

Motion by Anderson, second by Pinkelman, to accept the FY2010 Audit Report as presented by County Auditor, Ken Talsma of Anderson, Tackman & Company. Roll Call: Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Munsey – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Motion Carried.

Chairman Stephenson offered an at-a boy to the audit committee and staff for a successful audit.

Unfinished Business – None.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Rogers – The Commissioner reported her Ways & Means Committee Report.

Region 7 – 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program

Motion by Rogers, second by Hanson, to authorize Region 7 Homeland Security Planning Board to utilize “Preferred Vendors” and “Sole Source Providers” for the purpose of administering the 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program. Roll Call: Hanson – aye, Munsey – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Motion Carried.

Crawford County Public Transit – Authorization for Ballot Language for 8/2/11 Election

Motion by Rogers, second by Hanson, to submit the Crawford County Public Transit Millage language to bond counsel for approval of a Public Transit Millage vote for August 2, 2011. Roll Call: Munsey – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson - aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Motion Carried.

Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Rogers, second by Pinkelman, to accept the Executive Session Minutes for March 3, 2011 as read. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Hanson - The Commissioner advised he has nothing to report.

Commissioner Pinkelman – The Commissioner advised she had no Law Enforcement Committee recommendations to report.

The Commissioner advised Clare County has a plan and patent for use of gas from the landfill in their county. The Commissioner indicated she will present the information to Maple Forest Township. Commissioner Pinkelman reported the NACo Conference in Washington, DC was very interesting and worthwhile.

Commissioner Munsey – The Commissioner reported 1,358 people in Crawford are receiving assistance from the Department of Human Services; The Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing is June 2nd and a coffee hour at Ace Hardware on March 25th @ 8:00 a.m.; The North East Michigan Consortium is concerned with continual federal funding cuts; The Library had nothing to report; the Commission on Aging had no meeting this month due to a lack in quorum. Chairman Stephenson reiterated the State has a tremendous task in front of it.

Commissioner Anderson – The Commissioner advised there were no Personnel & Labor Committee recommendations to report. The Commissioner advised that NEMCOG helped with seed money for a gluten free incubator business for cookies in Hillman, MI the first of the year. NEMCOG was able to purchase equipment and rents space to entrepreneurs in area who have a business plan in the bakery business. The commissioner suggested people review their website at www.nemcog.com.

Commissioner Beardslee – The Commissioner was absent.

Commissioner Stephenson – The Commissioner advised the recycling group continues to meet, Camp Grayling has joined the group and have good options offered with hopefully no cost to the County.

New Business

Sports Complex Development

The Controller submitted minutes of the Public Hearing held March 14, 2011 for the Crawford County Sports Complex. The public hearing is required to apply for grant funding. Discussion followed regarding the MNRTF and LWCF grants.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Rogers, to commit an amount not to exceed \$100,000 of matched money to the Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund (MNRTF) grant application. Roll Call: Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Munsey – aye, Motion Carried.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Rogers, to commit an amount not to exceed \$100,000 of matched money to the Land Water Conservation Fund (31611LWCF) grant application for further development of the Sports Complex. Roll Call: Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Motion Carried.

Controller Compo reminded members he will be coming back to the board with additional information regarding the grants.

Department Report

Clerk Report

County Clerk/Register Sandra Moore submitted a request from the Sheriff for 82 extended vacation hours for his Jail Administrator.

Request for Extended Vacation Hours for Jail Administrator

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to honor the Sheriff's request to allow Jail Administrator Randell Baerlocher to carry over eighty-two (82) hours until April 30, 2011. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

National Society of Professional Surveyors

The Clerk advised County Surveyor Marvin Myers is coordinating the SURVEY USA Event for the Northern Chapter of Michigan Society of Professional Surveyors and requested a resolution acknowledging March 20 – 27, 2011 as Professional Surveyor's Week.

Motion by Hanson, second by Pinkelman, to designate March 20 – 27, 2011 as "Professional Surveyor's Week" to raise public awareness of our profession by gathering simultaneous survey data. Roll Call: Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Lange – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Motion Carried.

Controller Report

Controller Paul Compo reported the Prosecutor has hired Attorney Kristi McGregor as the new Crime Victim Advocate. The Controller announced we are approaching open enrollment for our insurance and rates will increase about 10% across the board. The good news is the County has planned for a higher increase and reviewing challenging federal funding mandates. The Controller advised a health care meeting was held a Priority Health Representative, POAM Representative, two (2) active deputies and three (3) retirees. There are issues between employees and Priority Health that need review and employees need to become more educated on the plan. The retiree network coverage isn't as good out of area as it was for out of area. The county has three (3) options to either do nothing, reimburse the retiree, or provide them with better network. Retiree Tom Coors brought to our attention that the network coverage is not the same and something needs to be done. It was noted that Blue Cross has a broader network than Priority Health. The issue to be placed on the April 7th Personnel & Labor Committee Meeting.

Recess at 10:48 a.m. and reconvened at 10:56 a.m.

Sheriff Deputy Jason Alexander advised employees need to become more knowledgeable to understand the health care plan. His personal conflict has been resolved with Priority Health. Deputies are working through the growing pains, however, he believes the plan is not comparable in any way.

Support for Shawono Center

Commissioner Munsey advised she attended a meeting regarding the proposed cut of Shawona Center from Crawford County. Mark Golnick, Youth Specialist Supervisor and School Social Worker Todd Serby advised Shawono is slated to be closed under the current Governor’s plan. Camp Shawono is a 40 bed male juvenile residential facility and presently has 27 male youth in their care. Camp Shawono has been a vital part of Crawford County for many years and they (Mr. Golnick & Mr. Serby) will be attending the Senate House Appropriations Committee tomorrow (3/17) to present their case. Discussion followed that Camp Shawono has the lowest costs per placement out of the three facilities and are proposing that budgets can simply be reduced to all three (3) facilities to allow each to remain open.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Rogers, to submit a letter of support for Camp Shawono Center to remain open in Crawford County and submit to our State Representative, State Senator, House DHS Appropriations Committee, DHS Director and Michigan’s Governor. Roll Call: Anderson – aye, Beardslee – absent, Hanson – aye, Munsey – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Rogers – aye, Stephenson – aye, Motion Carried.

Kay Golnick, Juvenile Case Worker advised she is concerned about northern Michigan’s continual loose

Extended Public Comment

Jay Stephan remarked on the Public Transit language being a millage and not a bond, and inquired on why the county would be using a bond attorney. Chairman Stephenson advised the County chooses this Bond Attorney for all election millages or bonds.

ORV Director John Chad inquired on the questioned forest service roads in South Branch. The Chairman advised the GIS Coordinator is reviewing the maps and will meet with him (John) soon.

Announcements – None.

Adjournment

Motion by Hanson, second by Pinkelman, to adjourn the meeting at 11:43 a.m. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Dave Stephenson, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Register