

Crawford County Board of Commissioners

Regular Board Meeting of May 23, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman, Dave Stephenson, at 9:09 a.m. in the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan on the 23rd day of May, 2013.

Invocation by Commissioner Stephenson.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Anderson.

Roll Call: Anderson, Lewis, Pinkelman, Priebe, Stephenson and Wyman.

Absent – Munsey.

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

Paul Compo, County Controller – Present.

Others present at various times: Doug Pratt, Ed Goscicki, Sandy Altman, Earl Corpe, Jeri Selthoffer, Adam Vernon, Janice Zalobsky, Ilene Geiss-Wilson, Dan Sanderson and other identified persons.

Approval of the Regular Board Minutes

Motion by Lewis, second by Pinkelman, to approve the Minutes for the April 25, 2013 Regular Board Meeting and to place Commissioner Wyman under the Invocation and Commissioner Anderson under the Pledge. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Approval/Amendment of the Agenda

Motion by Priebe, second by Wyman, to amend the agenda to include Correspondence 15 – 17. Also, to allow Adam Vernon to interview first for the Commission on Aging Board due to another commitment and remove Ginger Lutz under the interview process as she was unable to attend. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment – None.

Open Invoice Report and Prepaid Vouchers

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

General Fund:		Building & Zoning Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Rep"	\$52,459.37	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$1,917.27
Prepaid Invoices	\$46,263.04	Prepaid Invoices	\$1,455.06
Gross Payroll	\$276,028.75	Gross Payroll	\$5,772.51
Total General Fund	\$374,751.16	Total Building & Zoning Fund	\$9,144.84
Millage/Road Patrol Fund		Remonumentation Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$925.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Prepaid Invoices	\$25,702.68	Prepaid Invoices	\$3,000.00
Gross Payroll	\$30,736.59	Total Remonumentation Fund	\$3,000.00
Total Millage Fund	\$57,364.27		
Tri-County 46th Trial Court		Central Dispatch Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Prepaid Invoices	\$2,545.00	Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00
Total Tri-County Court	\$2,545.00	Gross Payroll	\$608.62
		Total Central Dispatch Fund	\$608.62
Friend of the Court		Deeds Automation Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$210.00
Prepaid Invoices	\$3,848.57	Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00
Gross Payroll	\$21,475.75	Total Deeds Automation Fund	\$210.00
Total Friend of the Court	\$25,324.32		
District Health Department # 10 Fund		Courthouse Preservation Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$377.23
Prepaid Invoices	\$372.70	Prepaid Invoices	\$38.01
		Total Courthouse Preservation Fund	\$415.24

Total DHD#10 Fund	\$372.70	Law Library Fund	
Airport Fund		Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00	Prepaid Invoices	\$444.83
Prepaid Invoices	\$133.32	Total Library Fund	\$444.83
Gross Payroll	\$61.59		
Total Airport Fund	\$194.91		
		Family/Probate Court	
Enforcement/Recycle Fund		Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$494.80	Prepaid Invoices	\$22,945.19
Prepaid Invoices	\$646.64	Gross Payroll	\$14,429.33
Gross Payroll	\$4,422.62	Total Family/Probate Court	\$37,374.52
Total Recycling Fund	\$5,564.06		
COPS in Schools Fund			
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00		
Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00		
Gross Payroll	\$6,467.39		
Total COPS Fund	\$6,467.39		

Roll Call: Anderson – aye, Lewis – aye, Munsey – absent, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Wyman – aye, Motion Carried.

Approval Correspondence

Motion by Anderson, second by Lewis, to accept the correspondence as presented with the addition of items #15 - 17. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Correspondence

1. Cheboygan County Board – Resolution in Support for the preservation of the Second Amendment.
2. Otsego County Board – Resolution urging the State & Legislature to implement a plan to improve Michigan Roads and Bridges.
3. Ottawa County Board - Resolution urging the State & Legislature to implement a plan to improve Michigan Roads and Bridges.
4. State DNR – Appreciation for April 10, 2013 meeting regarding partnership opportunities.
5. Michigan State Housing Development Authority – Amendment to Grant 2009-0214-HO with Funding Award Agreement.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) Grant Agreement Amendment MSC-2009-0214-HO. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

6. Legal Services of Northern Michigan – Request for Letter of Support for Legal Services of Northern Michigan, Inc.

Motion by Anderson, second by Lewis, to draft a letter of support to Legal Services of Northern Michigan, Inc for the valuable service they provide for senior residents within Crawford County. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

7. MAC - Legislative updates for April 29 and May 6, 13, & 20, 2013.

Motion by Anderson, second by Pinkelman, to request opposition to House Bill 4714 as it allows the state to charge up to 5% of a person’s income for their coverage and we do not want additional taxation on our citizenry, was withdrawn.

Commissioner Pinkelman advised that MAC is addressing these issues.

8. Michigan Public Service Commission - Notice of Hearing for Electric Customers on 5-23-13.

9. Herrick Foundation – Grayling Fish Hatchery Grant. It was noted that the Fish Hatchery Plan will spell out all issues and Huron Pines is on board with hatchery discussions.
10. Headwaters Chapter 315 – Recommendation offered in the Fish Hatchery Lease Agreement.
11. AuSable Big Water Preservation Association – Encourages a property run trout farm at the Hatchery.
12. Judge Janet Allen – Request the appointment of Debra Friedman and the reappointment of Mary Ruth Lowe to the Jury Board (2 six year terms to expire 4-30-19).
Motion by Pinkelman, second by Priebe, to appoint Debra Friedman and re-appoint Mary Ruth Lowe to the Crawford County Jury Board for 2 six year terms to expire 4-30-19. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.
13. Michigan Public Service Commission – Notice of Opportunity to Comment.
14. DNR – Application for a Natural Rivers Permit.
15. Historic Boyne City – Northern Homes Community Development Corp plan to renovate William White House. Commissioner Anderson advised Northern Homes is interested in having a Crawford County resident appointed on the board.
16. Mason Griffith Founders Trout Unlimited – Letters of concern regarding the Fish Hatchery.
17. AuSable North Branch Area Foundation – Letter regarding Fish Hatchery Lease.

Interviews for Commission on Aging

The following interviews were conducted for the Commission on Aging board vacancies:

Adam Vernon, Earl Corpe, Sandy Altman, Janice Zalobsky and Jeri Selthoffer.

It was noted that Ginger Lutz was unable to attend. It was further noted that Jack Mahank and Dean McCray have submitted their request for reappointment to the Commission.

Department Reports

Controller Report

The Controller announced that the POAM Dispatch Union Contract negotiations need 3 dates offered.

The Controller advised the Transfer Issue with the hospital is now at the township level.

Controller Compo indicated the Airport has purchased 4,000 gallons of aviation fuel.

The i-Pad's are ordered and a training schedule is being pursued. Several dates will be offered for members to choose from.

Recycling committee has met and all entities are on board except Lovell's, the committee is moving forward with a public hearing, by-laws, and a preliminary budget.

The Controller advised that the Housing Director will be on workers compensation medical leave beginning June 6, 2013 due to shoulder surgery.

The Health Care Reform "Look back Period" remains an issue.

Unfinished Business

Resolution for Improved Service to Veterans

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Priebe, to adopt a Resolution 5/23/13 – VA urging the Federal Government to take immediate action to improve and expedite America's veterans access to deserved benefits. Roll Call: Lewis – aye, Munsey – absent, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Wyman – aye, Anderson – aye, Motion Carried.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Wyman – The Commissioner reported on updates at the Road Commission.

Commissioner Priebe – The Commissioner advised she has nothing to report.

Commissioner Pinkelman – The Commissioner advised she has no Law Enforcement Committee Recommendations to report, however, she reported the Ways & Means committee recommendations. The Commissioner advised that MAC is restructuring their meeting schedule to have once a month meeting and offer meeting in different county jurisdictions as they want more input from northern counties.

Recycling Service Plan for 2013

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Priebe, to authorize the Board to establish and set the Recycling Service Plan for 2013 on the June 27th 2013 Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

MERS Defined Contribution Loan Addendum

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Lewis, to authorize the County to adopt the MERS Benefit Program Defined Contribution Loan Addendum for the following groups: Division 02 – COAM, Division 14 – AFSCME District Court and Division 20 – POAM. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

MERS Employer Resolution

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Lewis, to authorize the Employer Resolution Establishing Uniform Transfer Provision for all present and future employee divisions placed in the same MERS plan type. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (0) none, Motion Carried.

Letter of Understanding

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to adopt the Letter of Understanding for District Court Employees on the Defined Contribution Vesting Schedule. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Resolution in Support of the Preservation of the Second Amendment

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Lewis, to adopt the Resolution in Support of the Preservation of the Second (2nd) Amendment to protect the right to keep and bear arms. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Resolution for Full Funding of Essential Services Line Item

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Wyman, to adopt a resolution in support of full funding and restore the \$2.7 million dollars that has been cut from the Essential Services line item in the 2010 and 2011 State Appropriations for Public Health. Roll Call: Munsey – absent, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Wyman – aye, Anderson – aye, Lewis – aye, Motion Carried

Base Ball Field Grant and Construction

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Wyman, to authorize the Base Ball Field Grant and Construction of the new fields at the County Sports Complex in the amount of \$311,500 with a provision to receive a reimbursement of \$30,000 from Grayling Little League and \$100,000 from the Land Water Conservancy Fund Grant. Roll Call: Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Wyman – aye, Anderson – aye, Lewis – aye, Munsey – absent, Motion Carried

Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Schedule

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to establish the following County Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Budget Schedule:

- May 09 – Board receives Budget Schedule
- May 23 – Board approves Budget Schedule
- June 10 – Department Heads receive budget information
- June 28 – Budget proposals are returned to Administrator/Controller

July 11 – Department heads may elect to present their proposals to the Ways & Means Committee.

As needed – Audit Committee may choose to meet with select Department heads for clarification purposes.

Aug 8 & 22 – County Board receives budget update 2013 – 2014 Budget

Sept 6 – Clerk publishes Public Hearing notice concerning Budget & Millage rates for Truth & Taxation

Sept 12 – County Board Ways & Means Committee receives the Audit Committee’s recommended FY 2014 proposed Budget.

Sept 12 – County Board Ways & Means Committee accepts budget to be presented at the September 26, 2013 Public Hearing.

Sept 26 – Public Hearing and adoption of 2013 – 2014 fiscal year budgets.

Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Paperless Packets II

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Priebe, to approve the purchase of nine (9) Apple iPads with retinal display, 16 GB with a cover, not to exceed \$700 each from the Courthouse Preservation Fund. Roll Call: Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Wyman – aye, Anderson – aye, Lewis – aye, Munsey – absent, Pinkelman – aye, Motion Carried

Committee Meeting Schedule Change

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to authorize the Board change the committee of the Whole Meetings from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. for the remainder of the year. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Munsey – The Commissioner was absent, Commissioner Pinkelman reported the Ways & Means Committee Report.

Commissioner Stephenson - The Commissioner advised recycling is moving forward and Lovell’s Township is addressing firework issues and there is legislation in the making. The Commissioner advised that 74% of Lovell’s participants requested they remain with the recycling program.

Commissioner Anderson – The Commissioner reported his Personnel & Labor Committee Recommendation. The Commissioner reported on the Northern Counties review of the “Dark Sky Initiative”, an overview of the Army Corp of Engineers records and the Great Lakes Water Levels statistics from 1986 – 2013.

Administrator/Controller Contract

Motion by Anderson, second by Lewis, to authorize the Administrator/Controller to draft a new employment contract for his position and bring back to the June 13, 2013 Personnel & Labor Committee Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Lewis – The Commissioner advised he had nothing to report.

New Business

Appointments to Commission on Aging Board

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Lewis, to reappoint Jack Mahank and Dean McCray to the Commission on Aging for a 3 year terms ending 6-30-16. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Motion by Lewis, second by Anderson, to appoint Earl Corpe to the Commission on Aging Board for a 1 year term ending 6-30-14. Ayes (5) five, nays (1) one, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Road Commission’s FY 2013 Tiger Grant Application

Motion by Wyman, second by Pinkelman, to offer support for the FY-2013 TIGER Grant Application as submitted by the Crawford County Road

Commission as the preferred alternative identified by the 2008 federal funded regional traffic study. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried

Letter to Road Commission Regarding 4-Way Interchange

Motion by Anderson, second by Lewis, to offer support for the four-way interchange for North Down River Road and Interstate 75 and grant any easement or grading permit along county property abutting North Down River Road (0.39 acres) that is necessary to allow the project to move forward. Roll Call: Stephenson – aye, Wyman – aye, Anderson – aye, Lewis – aye, Munsey – absent, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Motion Carried.

Michigan State Housing Development Authority

Motion by Anderson, second by Lewis, to authorize the Housing Commission to enter into the Crawford County Home Improvement Program HRF Grant in the amount of \$200,000 as submitted. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Extended Public Comment – None.

Announcements

Chairman Stephenson requested acceptance of the resignation from Commissioner Munsey as Chairperson of Ways & Means.

Motion by Anderson, second by Priebe, to accept the resignation of Linda Munsey as Ways & Means Chairperson. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Chairman Stephenson offered the nomination of Commissioner Lewis as the new Ways & Means Chairman.

Motion by Anderson, second by Pinkelman, to appoint Phil Lewis as the new FY – 2013 Ways & Means Chairman. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Frederic Fire Chief and Zoning Administrator, Doug Pratt advised that Trout Unlimited and the Manistee River Association are interested in pursuing grants to implement better river signage. Camp Grayling is working with all emergency personnel towards the centennial event and the next meeting is scheduled for June 12th.

County Clerk invited members to the public review of the new Eagle software program in the County Clerk/Register of Deeds office at 1:00 p.m. today.

Commissioner Anderson invited members to attend the Antrim County Recycling Center on Monday, July 15, 2013.

Commissioner Lewis is meeting with the CCDP on the DNR land exchange for Kirtland College.

Adjournment

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Priebe, to adjourn the meeting at 11:49.m. Ayes (6) six, nays (0) none, absent (1) one, Motion Carried.

Dave Stephenson, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds