

Crawford County Board of Commissioners

Regular Board Meeting of August 25, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman, Dave Stephenson, at 10:00 a.m. in the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan the 25th day of August, 2016.

Invocation by Commissioner Stephenson.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Anderson.

Roll Call: Stephenson, Anderson, Lewis, McClain, Pinkelman, Priebe and Jamison.

Absent – None.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk – Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present.

Others present at various times: Doug Pratt, Ilene Geiss-Wilson, Kevin Hughes, Joseph Haas, Hannelore Dysinger, Nancy Persing, Nicole Wethington, Gretchen Stelter, Jamie Greer and Dan Sanderson.

Approval of the Regular Board Minutes

Motion by Jamison, second by McClain, to approve the Minutes for the July 28, 2016 meeting was presented. Ayes (7) seven, nays (0) none, absent (0) none, Motion Carried.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Lewis, second by Pinkelman, to accept the agenda as presented.

Motion by Lewis, second by Pinkelman, to amend the agenda to add DEQ District Supervisor, Joseph Haas to the agenda. Vote as amended: Ayes (7) seven, nays (0) none, absent (0) none, Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment – None.

Conflict of Interest – None.

Open Invoice Report and Prepaid Vouchers

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

General Fund:		COPS in Schools Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Rep"	\$38,029.25	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Prepaid Invoices	\$221,137.58	Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00
Gross Payroll	\$431,558.43	Gross Payroll	\$295.50
Total General Fund	\$690,725.26	Total COPS Fund	\$295.50
Millage/Road Patrol Fund		Building & Zoning Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$11,996.85	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$683.00
Prepaid Invoices	\$5,920.73	Prepaid Invoices	\$1,400.07
Gross Payroll	\$50,150.03	Gross Payroll	\$9,150.54
Total Road Patrol fund	\$68,067.61	Total Building & Zoning Fund	\$11,233.61
Sobriety Court		MSU Cooperative Extension Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$118.30	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Prepaid Invoices	\$5,983.51	Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00
Gross Payroll	\$15,807.87	Gross Payroll	\$500.52
Total Sobriety Court Fund	\$21,909.68	Total MSU fund	\$500.52
Tri-County 46th Trial Court		Central Dispatch Fund	
Prepaid Invoices	\$1,987.84	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Total Tri-County Court	\$1,987.84	Prepaid Invoices	\$327.42
		Gross Payroll	\$40,129.67
		Total Central Dispatch Fund	\$40,457.09
Friend of the Court		Law Library Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$968.84
Prepaid Invoices	\$487.77	Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00
Gross Payroll	\$33,421.16		
Total Friend of the Court	\$33,908.93		

		Total Law Library Fund	\$968.84
Social Services Fund			
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$70.00	Family/Probate Court	
Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Total Social Services Fund	\$70.00	Prepaid Invoices	\$26,490.30
		Gross Payroll	\$21,638.11
Airport Fund		Total Family/Probate Court	\$48,128.41
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$1,492.85		
Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00	Sports Complex Fund	
Gross Payroll	\$106.75	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$594.46
Total Airport Fund	\$1,599.60	Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00
		Total Sports Complex fund	\$594.46
DHD#10 Fund			
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$244.40	Correction Officers Training Fund	
Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Total DHD#10 Fund	\$244.40	Prepaid Invoices	\$80.00
		Total - CO Training Fund	\$80.00
Recycling Fund			
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$872.82	2015 Homeland Security Grant Fund	
Prepaid Invoices	\$0.00	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$0.00
Gross Payroll	\$1,135.91	Prepaid Invoices	\$59,028.38
Total Recycling Fund	\$2,008.73	Total 2015 HSGP Fund	\$59,028.38
Landfill/Maintenance Fund		Veterans Service Fund	
Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$1,967.76	Balance from "Open Invoice Report"	\$4,755.17
Prepaid Invoices	\$10,849.98	Prepaid Invoices	\$3,790.55
Gross Payroll	\$6,470.84	Gross Payroll	\$5,534.74
Total Landfill/Maintenance fund	\$19,288.58	Total Veterans Service Fund	\$14,080.46

Roll Call: Anderson – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Jamison – aye, Motion Carried

Approval Correspondence

Motion by Jamison, second by Lewis, to accept the correspondence as submitted. Ayes (7) seven, nays (0) none, absent (0) none, Motion Carried.

Correspondence

1. Allegan County Board – Resolution supporting reducing barriers to the public for use of public lands for recreation/access and encourage the State to develop a Strategic Plan.
2. Antrim County Board – Resolution supporting HB 4909 and SB 524 on Dark Stores/Michigan Tax Tribunal. Commissioner Anderson advised he attended a meeting that had a presentation on this and the restrictions are plentiful.

Motion by Pinkelman, second by Anderson, to support Antrim County in their resolution supporting HB 4909 and SB 524 on Dark Stores/Michigan Tax Tribunal. Roll Call: Jamison – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson -aye, Motion Carried.

3. MAC – Legislative updates for July 29 and August 5 & 12, 2016.
4. Ryan - PLP Investments, LLC –vs- Township of Beaver Creek at Tax Tribunal.
5. DEQ – Air Quality Pending Permit for ARAUCO North America.
6. DNR – Letter to Harrietta Hills Trout Farm regarding the discovery of New Zealand Mudsnails (NZMS) in the East Branch of the AuSable River.
7. Munson Healthcare – Response to County regarding Inter-Facility Ambulance Transfer Policy Companies. Consensus of the Board to call another meeting with Commissioners Anderson, Pinkelman and Stephenson; the Hospital CEO and MMR to review all issues.
8. US Dept of AG – Pre-Application for Federal Assistance.
9. 4 Mile Road Development Overview – Thursday, September 29, 2016 at Grayling Charter Township.

Diostrict #10 Health Department – River Report

Kevin Hughes, District #10 Health Department appeared to discuss the City sewage spill in the AuSable River on Friday August 13, 2016 and clean-up efforts following. The Health Department was notified 14 hours after the spillage. The reporting business didn't open or discover the spillage until the following morning. The Health Department and DEQ are reviewing the procedure in which notification was given and how fast measures were put in place. District Health #10 will compile a spill response plan.

DEQ District Supervisor, Joseph Haas reviewed the complexity of notification and advised that measures are in place now to prevent this from happening again. Members discussed having the permitting process improved and the need to have a laboratory close by for sampling. The lab that was used was on the west side of the State. Damage assessment and all fixes are complete now. Members reviewed the possibility of having an exercise as we have multiply issues that could pollute our rivers from oil, gas, sewage, etc. There is a pollution emergency alerting system 1-800 line direct to Lansing 24/7. All entities were notified and may need an exercise to accomplish this. The county needs written procedures for who is responsible for what, what actions will be taken and requested the board be copied on all correspondence. Mr. Hughes advised that District Health will spear head the plan and there may be community grants available for communities that live along pipelines.

Department Reports

MSU Annual Report

MSU Extension District #4 Coordinator, Kelly Hiemstra appeared with the MSU FY-2015/16 Annual Report. Nicole Wethington, Family Nutrition Program Instructor (Snap-Ed) advised she teaches adults how to make the most of their food dollars, by developing skills such as menu planning, understanding recipes and keeping food safe. Ms. Wethington remarked on the changes she sees in the participants in the health and nutrition programs while promoting healthy lifestyles, physical activity and good nutrition. Policy, System and Environmental Change initiatives include programs for Schools, worksites and daycares. MSU supports, organizations implement changes to improve the overall environment. MSU Extension is making strides through their project fresh program.

Ms. Hiemstra announced Jamie Greer is new to the staff and they are pleased to welcome her.

Ms. Heimstra remarked how nice the new workspace at MSU Extension is working out.

Nancy Persing 4-H Program Coordinator indicated the future of Michigan lies, in part, in the hands of its students' abilities to excel in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Science literacy among school aged youth in Michigan is below the national average, directly impacting college readiness. The Educator reported there are approximately 500 kids in "The Hour of Code" Programs, and this is the largest learning event in history. Kids love learning and are now working closer with Nicole's program and partnering more. Results of a Crawford AuSable School survey of student interests were shared with members and cooking was the most interested topic.

Gretchen Stelter, Educator on Disease Prevention and Management advised Michigan ranks 15th in the nation for prevalence of diabetes, with many currently undiagnosed. The Personal Action towards Health (PATH) classes help participants learn important skills such as goal setting, eating healthy, exercise, communicating with health care professionals and managing medications. Classes are held in 6 weeks intervals and those attending have identified improvement in their quality of life. MSU Extension helps people apply research in order to make positive changes in their lives with the knowledge they need to make healthy choices. Dining with Diabetes will be taught through a cooking and exercise 4 week class. A Matter of Balance Class was taught at our senior center and Ms. Stelter has been working with the class of Dining with Diabetes for parents and student on nutrition. The Health Department, Munson of Grayling and MSU Extension have formed a partnership with a 16 week program and meet once a month thereafter in a life changing program.

Conflict of Interest Declared

Commissioner Jamison advised she may have a conflict as Ms. Gooder is her aunt.

Commissioner Pinkelman advised she may have a conflict as well as she did an inspection on this home as the Zoning Administrator for Frederic Township.

Housing Complaint

Laura Gooder circulated a letter regarding her housing complaint with the Housing Commission from years back. Much discussion ensued to inquire on why the venting of the roof was a problem; if there was a permit pulled for the repairs and why did it take so long for her to bring this to the boards attention. Frederic Township official Doug Pratt was present and was able to confirm no permit was pulled for the job. Ms. Gooder is now replacing the shingled roof with a metal roof from a company in Gaylord and was inquiring if the county could help offset those costs that her insurance is not covering.

Recess at 11:40 a.m. and reconvened at 11:48 a.m.

Housing Director, Hannahlore Dysinger provided project #99-015 & 05-032, as Ms. Gooder has two (2) loans with the Housing Commission. Frederic Township official Doug Pratt advised he was asked by Joe Duran if he wanted involvement as the Zoning Administrator and he responded no. The Controller inquired on whether the county has any legal obligation and our legal Counsel has taken a position that we are the lending institution and have none. Commissioner Anderson indicated this may be as far as the county can go with this. The Controller indicated he reviewed the files and the contractors were paid more than the mortgage amount. CCHC is the lending institution and is not responsible. The issue will be placed as unfinished business at the Regular Meeting in September, 2016.

Clerk/ROD Report

County Clerk/ROD Sandra Moore submitted items of interest from the recent Michigan Association of County Clerks Conference.

Controllers Report

The Controller advised he was approached by a Lions member to solicit donations in front of the county building since they can no longer be in the intersections. An Attorney General opinion was cited to no longer allow civic organizations to solicit, and there is concern as to precedence being established. No action was taken.

The City wants to beautify the island out front of the Courthouse and have requested the island have water and electric. Members requested a schematic of what they intend to do with the island before a decision can be made.

The Controller advised he met with COAM yesterday regarding the DROP Program and they are not getting anywhere. The Controller recommended the County send a letter to Treasury asking for an opinion that the COAM DROP Program does not violate the municipal finance act. If it gets rejected, we can then request a meeting with Treasury, Crawford County and POAM.

The Controller met with the Medical Examiner and there are some concerns over the MEI program. They are looking a long term solution and possibly hire a coordinator for Crawford and Roscommon County's and phase it in over a year or so. The Controller indicated this budget will not allow for it and looking to improve the system currently in place as there are some issues. Emergency Manager Doug Pratt advised he has been working with Dr. Hunter to correct issues. The County now has a balanced budget, which we will be presented at the September meeting.

Unfinished Business

Crawford County Recycling Service Plan

Controller Paul Compo announced discussions still continue.

Commissioners Report

Commissioner Jamison – The Commissioner reported the neighborhood Connection Event was a success with a lot of information. The Housing Commission will meet later today.

Commissioner Priebe - The Commissioner reported NEMCSA Youth Individual Account for kids to learn about funding over a 12 month period. NEMCSA will offer \$600 for 20 students in a matched program. Commissioner Anderson advised he wants to see the same number of student participation in each county.

Commissioner Pinkelman - The Commissioner had no Law Enforcement Committee recommendations to report. The Commissioner was in St. Louis for a Health Department meeting covering health initiatives for the department. The Commissioner advised the Community Corrections Grant was denied.

Commissioner McClain – The Commissioner advised COA is looking forward to the influx of funds from the Primary Election vote and is looking at ways to spend the funding next year. The COA Rummage sale this weekend. COA is facing 3 years or less within the board structure and needs to bring education to the newer members.

Commissioner Anderson – The Commissioner had no Personnel and Labor Committee recommendation to report. NEMCOG had Dan Leonard, MEDC Representative from Traverse City to review Housing issues. David Lick spoke on Public Funding.

Commissioner Lewis - The Commissioner reported his Ways & Means Committee recommendations.

General Fund Budget Initial Amendments

Motion by Lewis, second by Pinkelman, to approve the General Fund Initial Amendments in a journal entry amount of \$75,600.00 for an ending balance of \$5,507,128.00. Roll Call: Jamison – aye, Lewis- aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Motion Carried.

Approval of Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Lewis, second by McClain, to accept the Executive Session Minutes of August 11th, 2016 as read. Ayes (7) seven, nays (0) none, absent (0) none, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Stephenson – The Commissioner circulated the Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Annual Report for review. The Commissioner advised the Senior Reach program is reaching those 60 and older to provide assistance through COA. The Commissioner indicated the ARRUCO project is moving along nicely off 4 Mile Road.

New Business

Resolution Opposing the Change in CDBG Programming

Motion by Anderson, second by Jamison, to adopt a Resolution Opposing the Change in CDBG Programming and urge the State and MEDC to re-implement the single family housing rehabilitation programs along with the 18% administrative fee to assist rural communities to improve the living conditions of those that cannot afford to maintain their homes. Roll Call: Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Jamison – aye, Motion Carried.

Executive Session

Motion by Jamison, second by McClain, to recess the Regular Board Meeting and enter into an Executive Session to review the POAM Dispatch and MAPE Tentative Agreements at 12:47 p.m. Roll Call: McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Jamison – aye, Lewis – aye, Motion Carried.

Executive Session began at 12:47 p.m. and concluded at 1:20 p.m.

Approval of Executive Session Minutes

Motion by McClain, second by Anderson, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of August 25, 2016 as read. Ayes (7) seven, nays (0) none, absent (0) none, Motion Carried.

POAM Dispatch Union Tentative Agreement

Motion by Lewis, second by Jamison, to adopt the POAM Dispatch Union Tentative Agreement as presented. Roll Call: Pinkelman – aye, Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye, Anderson – aye, Jamison – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Motion Carried.

MAPES District Court Union Tentative Agreement

Motion by Anderson, second by Jamison, to adopt the District Court Union Tentative Agreement as presented. Roll Call: Priebe – aye, Stephenson – aye,

Anderson – aye, Jamison – aye, Lewis – aye, McClain – aye, Pinkelman – aye,
Motion Carried.

Extended Public Comment

Commissioner Pinkelman inquired if the county provides uniforms for dispatch. The Controller remarked that is included as part of their wage.

Announcements

The Clerk reported Jeri Selthoffer will exit her SCSEP 2 year position agreement tomorrow.

Adjournment

Motion by McClain, second by Anderson, to adjourn meeting at 1:25 p.m. Ayes (7) seven, nays (0) none, absent (0) none, Motion Carried.

Dave Stephenson, Board Chairman

Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Register of Deeds