



NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
1087 NEWELL STREET, WHITE CLOUD MI 49349

FEBRUARY 28, 2001

Meeting called to order by Chairman Stanley DeKuiper at 9:32 A.M.

Prayer by Laurel J. Breuker, Newaygo County Clerk.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Commissioner Deschaine.

PRESENT: Gerald Derks, Gerald Deschaine, Robert Hallmeyer,  
Larry Hansen, Timothy Purcell, Stanley DeKuiper

ABSENT: Mary Balberde (Excused)

01-082

MOTION BY PURCELL, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF  
FEBRUARY 28, 2001.

Under discussion, Chairman DeKuiper requested Mark Meier of Life EMS  
be added to the Agenda due to a conflict with his appearance at the  
scheduled Public Safety Meeting of March 8, 2001. Commissioner Derks  
objected to the addition of the unscheduled agenda item.

01-082-1

MOTION BY HALLMEYER, SECONDED BY HANSEN, TO ADD LIFE EMS TO THE AGENDA  
OF FEBRUARY 28, 2001. AYES-5, NAY-DERKS, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION  
CARRIED.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED:

TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF FEBRUARY 28, 2001, WITH THE ADDITION OF  
MARK MEIER OF LIFE EMS. AYES-4, NAY-DERKS AND DESCHAINED,  
ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

01-083

MOTION BY DERKS, SECONDED BY HANSEN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF  
FEBRUARY 14, 2001. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORT/FINANCE/WAYS AND MEANS/HANSEN

01-073

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO AUTHORIZE AND  
ESTABLISH A \$5,000.00 IMPRESS CASH ACCOUNT FOR FRIEND OF THE COURT.  
FUNDS TO COME FROM COURT EQUITY FUND. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE.  
MOTION CARRIED.

01-074

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY HALLMEYER, TO APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY DETAIL ANALYSIS DATED FEBRUARY 21, 2001, CHECK #219134 THROUGH #219362 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$220,159.18. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

01-075

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY HALLMEYER, TO RATIFY THE JANUARY 2001 MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,175,055.63. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

01-076

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY DESCHAIINE, TO APPROVE THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY INCENTIVE BLOCK GRANT AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,485.00. TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT IS FEBRUARY 1, 2001, THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2002. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

01-077

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO APPROVE THE "ALARM POLICY FOR NEWAYGO COUNTY" AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CENTRAL DISPATCH AUTHORITY IN THEIR NOVEMBER 2000 MEETING. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

01-078

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO APPROVE THE SALARY RATE INCREASE OF 4% FOR THE FIA AND ROAD COMMISSION BOARD MEMBERS.

01-078-1

MOTION BY PURCELL, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO AMEND MOTION #01-078 AS FOLLOWS: TO APPROVE SALARY INCREASES THAT ARE AUTHORIZED FOR NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ALSO BE GRANTED TO FIA AND ROAD COMMISSION BOARD MEMBERS. EFFECTIVE DATE TO BE JANUARY 1, 2001. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED:

TO APPROVE SALARY INCREASES THAT ARE AUTHORIZED FOR NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ALSO BE GRANTED TO FIA AND ROAD COMMISSION BOARD MEMBERS. EFFECTIVE DATE TO BE JANUARY 1, 2001. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

01-079

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION (NEWAYGO COUNTY CASE #01-01) OF PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS UNDER THE FINANCIAL HARDSHIP PROVISION OF THE COUNTY DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

01-080

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO ADVANCE THE NEWAYGO COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY THE BALANCE DUE FROM THE \$25,000.00 PLEDGE FOR THE ATRIUM PROJECT. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORT/HALLMEYER - attended the regular Soldiers and Sailors meeting. Committee is in the process of qualifying one additional driver for transport of veterans.

COMMITTEE REPORT/DESCHAINED - attended the monthly Muskegon River Watershed meeting in Muskegon. \$162,975 will be received from Fisheries Trust with a match. Office may be set up at Ferris State University with a future satellite office at Grand Valley State University.

COMMITTEE REPORT/HANSEN - attended and provided Road Commission meeting minutes and Health Department information.

COMMITTEE REPORT/PURCELL - reported a vacancy on the Commission on Aging Board due to the death of Norine Grattop. This vacancy expires September 30, 2001. Board consensus is that the vacancy will not be advertised without a request from the COA Director.

COMMITTEE REPORT/DERKS - Merrill, Sheridan, and Dayton townships appeared before the Planning/Zoning Board February 20, 2001, regarding ordinances and civil infractions.

County Surveyor, Norm Ochs, presented the Annual Remonumentation Report indicating 120 new corners placed in 2000. A total of 745 corners have been put in place over the last 8 years. Anticipate 140 corners to be placed in 2001. Two pending bills in legislature will assist surveyors monetarily.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/HUMPHREY

01-084

MOTION BY DESCHAINED, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT WITH OCEANA COUNTY FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISBURSEMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS FOR OCEANA COUNTY. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

Mark Meier and Tom McPherson of Life EMS presented a first year summary of the ambulance for fiscal year 2000, responding to 2874 requests for medical assistance through 911 with an average response time of 11:41. The annual membership sign-up program has again been offered to all residents. Life EMS does not currently participate with Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

01-085

MOTION BY DESCHAINED, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT  
11:07 A.M. AYES-6, ABSENT-BALBERDE. MOTION CARRIED.

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LAUREL J. BREUKER  
NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK

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STANLEY DeKUIPER, CHAIRMAN  
NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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LOIS E. KASELAU  
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

MARCH 1, 2001