



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

DECEMBER 11, 2002

Meeting called to order by Chairman Stanley DeKuiper at 9:30 A.M.

Prayer by Laurel J. Breuker, Newaygo County Clerk.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Commissioner Balberde.

PRESENT: Mary Balberde, Gerald Derks, Jr., Gerard Deschaine,
Robert Hallmeyer, Larry Hansen, Timothy Purcell,
Stanley DeKuiper

INTRODUCTION: Newaygo County Clerk Laurel J. Breuker introduced Pam Rolfe, new Chief Deputy County Clerk.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lavern Willett requested that the vote on the dog tax increase be withheld until after the new Commissioners come in. Mr. Willett opposes the increase, interpreting it as a tax. Ed Suckow, Barton Township, indicated opposition to the dog tax increase.

02-453

MOTION BY HANSEN, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF DECEMBER 11, 2002. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

02-454

MOTION BY DESCHAINED, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 27, 2002 MEETING. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

02-455

MOTION BY DESCHAINED, SECONDED BY HANSON, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 27, 2002 CLOSED SESSION. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORT/FINANCE/WAYS AND MEANS/HANSEN

02-447

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO SEND A LETTER TO UNITED STATES BOARD OF GEOGRAPHIC NAMES APPROVING THE NAMING OF "SANDERS CREEK." AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

02-448

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY DETAIL ANALYSIS DATED DECEMBER 4, 2002, CHECK #237901 THROUGH CHECK #238114 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$163,690.93. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

02-449

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF \$50,000.00 FROM THE JAIL KITCHEN ACCOUNT TO THE COMMISSION ON AGING ACCOUNT. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

02-450

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY DESCHAIINE, TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO INCREASE THE ONE YEAR DOG LICENSE FEES TO \$9.00 FOR UNSEXED DOGS AND \$18.00 FOR SEXED DOGS. MOTION TO TAKE EFFECT FEBRUARY 1, 2003.

02-450-1

MOTION BY DESCHAIINE, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO AMEND MOTION #02-450 TO CHANGE THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO MARCH 1, 2003 WITH THE STIPULATION THAT THE VETS AND THE TOWNSHIPS BE REIMBURSED THE EXTRA \$1.00 FOR LICENSES THAT ARE SOLD IN FEBRUARY. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION #02-450, AS AMENDED: ROLL CALL VOTE:
PURCELL-NAY, DERKS-NAY, HANSEN-NAY, BALBERDE-AYE, HALLMEYER-NAY,
DESCHAIINE-AYE, DeKUIPER-NAY. MOTION FAILED.

02-451

MOVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO APPROVE THE FEES OF \$2,500.00 FOR SERVICES PERFORMED BY LAYTON & RICHARDSON, P.C., FOR THE FINANCIAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT OF ACT 123 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 IF COMPLETED BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2002 OR AFTER APRIL 17, 2003. THE FEE FOR THE SERVICES WILL BE \$3,500.00 IF COMPLETED BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2003 AND APRIL 16, 2003. THE FEE WILL INCREASE BY \$75.00 PER HOUR IF ANY QUESTIONABLE ACTIVITY IS DISCOVERED THAT HAS TO BE REVIEWED IN MORE DETAIL. ANY INCREASE IN FEES WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY OFFICIALS BEFORE THE WORK IS COMPLETED. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

Ron Sanders and Kelly Smith of the Road Commission provided an update on the 2002 road construction projects and also provided information on the recommended primary projects for 2003.

Newaygo County Circuit Court Director/Friend of the Court, Barbara Geno, requested approval for the 2002-2003 Child Care Fund Budget Application. Deputy Director Chris Tiernan and Circuit Court Judge Terrence Thomas also provided information relating to the social/statistical facts and numbers of juveniles in the system.

02-456

MOVED BY DERKS, SECONDED BY DESCHAINED, TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSED 2002-2003 CHILD CARE FUND BUDGET SUMMARY, AND, THAT THE CHAIRMAN BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE BUDGET APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE MICHIGAN FAMILY AGENCY, CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Balberde requested consideration of a motion to approve changes in the courthouse remodeling. She distributed the proposed information and Barbara Geno explained the need for the changes.

02-457

MOVED BY DESCHAINED, SECONDED BY HANSEN, TO APPROVE THE CHANGES IN THE COURTHOUSE CONSTRUCTION/REMODELING AS SUBMITTED BY VAN DONKELAAR CONSTRUCTION, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,852.00. MOTION TO TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT. AYES-6. NAY-DeKUIPER. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting recessed by Chairman DeKuiper at 10:35 A.M. Meeting reconvened at 10:53 A.M.

COMMITTEE REPORT/PURCELL - the Mental Health Board toured the Dallas Darling Adult Foster Care Home where approximately \$100,000.00 was spent bringing the house up to code. Eleven people are housed there and everything is running well.

COMMITTEE REPORT/HANSEN - attended Michigan Works with Commissioner Purcell. Had a good presentation on the LinkMichigan, which is going very well. Other reports provided from the health department and the unemployment rates information sheet.

COMMITTEE REPORT/DESCHAINED - attended RC&D meeting on Monday and NACPRAC meeting on Tuesday. NACPRAC has voted to dispense with the swimming program on a trial basis. Last year there were 11 children in the program and it cost an average of \$230.00 per child for that program. The insurance cost is \$1,000.00.

COMMITTEE REPORT/HALLMEYER - attended Soldiers & Sailors Meeting Monday. Administrator Kurt Humphrey was there as well. Considering the need to set up some different guidelines for drivers.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Dale Black, as representative for the county Supervisor's Association, complimented the Board on support of countywide Land Use Educator. Mr. Black also complimented the Board on the delivery of the GIS System and believes this will be very positive for the county as far as local units of government and land use planning.

02-458

MOTION BY BALBERDE, SECONDED BY DESCHAINED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT
11:00 A.M. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

LAUREL J. BREUKER
NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK

STANLEY DeKUIPER, CHAIRMAN
NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PAMELA A. ROLFE
CLERK

DECEMBER 12, 2002