



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

SEPTEMBER 24, 2003

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 Fulton.

PRESENT: Mary Balberde; Stanley DeKuiper; Gerald Derks, Jr.; Rosswell
Fulton, Jr.; James Maike, Jr.; Timothy Purcell; Lavern
Willett

CORRESPONDENCE: Newaygo County Clerk, Laurel J. Breuker, presented
correspondence from the Department of Environmental Quality. The DEQ
approved the Newaygo County Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control
Resolution adopted on August 13, 2003, and commended the County's past
and current efforts to improve and strengthen the County's SESC
Program.

03-396

MOTION BY DERKS, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF
SEPTEMBER 24, 2003, WITH THE ADDITION OF RICHARD HARROUN FOLLOWING
MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

03-397

MOTION BY FULTON, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF
SEPTEMBER 10, 2003. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

03-398

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO PLACE THE NAMES OF ARTHUR
C. NELSEN, ADELE HANSEN, EDA GORDON AND BETTY VANDERHONING IN
NOMINATION TO THE COMMISSION ON AGING ADVISORY BOARD. APPOINTMENTS
WILL BE FOR FOUR THREE-YEAR TERMS EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 30, 2006.
AYES-6, ABSENT-MAIKE. MOTION CARRIED.

Arthur C. Nelsen, Adele Hansen, Eda Gordon and Betty VanderHoning were
duly appointed to the Commission on Aging Advisory Board for
three-year terms expiring September 30, 2006.

COMMITTEE REPORT/FINANCE WAYS AND MEANS/PURCELL

03-391

MOTION BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY FULTON, TO APPROVE THE
SEMI-MONTHLY DETAIL ANALYSIS DATED SEPTEMBER 17, 2003, CHECK #246768

THROUGH CHECK #246962, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$223,483.40. AYES-ALL.
MOTION CARRIED.

03-392

MOTION BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO RATIFY THE AUGUST 2003 MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,071,236.36. AYES-ALL.
MOTION CARRIED.

03-393

MOTION BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO APPROVE TO RESERVE THE FOLLOWING MONIES FROM THE PLANNING AND ZONING 2003 BUDGET:

- \$1,500.00 FOR THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORUM TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 18, 2003, IN COORDINATION WITH THE LAND USE EDUCATOR;
- \$15,000.00 FOR THE GRANT WRITER POSITION.

AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

03-394

MOTION BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #09-028-03 TO ELECT TO AUDIT "HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS." ROLL CALL VOTE: WILLET-NAY, PURCELL-AYE, MAIKE-AYE, BALBERDE-AYE, FULTON-AYE, DERKS-AYE, DeKUIPER-AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/FULTON - The Veterans' Affairs Committee met on Monday. The Road Commission Meeting was rescheduled for tomorrow morning.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/DERKS - The County Comprehensive Plan was discussed at the Land Use Educator Meeting. The Intergovernmental Forum between MSU Extension and the County Planning Board will be held on October 18, 2003. Attended the Township Supervisors' Meeting last night with Commissioners Maike and DeKuiper, where discussion occurred on combining Mapping and Equalization Departments.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/BALBERDE - Attended the Computer Advisory Committee Meeting this morning with Commissioners Maike and DeKuiper. An update on the implementation of the new software was provided.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/MAIKE - Attended the Computer Advisory Committee Meeting this morning. Also attended the Housing Conference yesterday at The Shack. The November Building & Property Committee Agenda will include a presentation relating to how the Commission on Aging rehabilitates old homes and takes care of people. Attended the Township Supervisors' Meeting last night and the Diamond Lake Board Meeting last Wednesday.

Chairman DeKuiper declared the Public Hearing on Truth in Taxation and the 2003-2004 Budget in session at 9:50 A.M. Commissioner Willett indicated his opposition to an increase in taxes. No public comment was received. The Public Hearing was declared closed at 9:51 A.M.

03-399

MOTION BY DERKS, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #09-030-03 FOR THE 2003 NEWAYGO COUNTY GENERAL APPROPRIATION. ROLL CALL VOTE: BALBERDE-AYE, DERKS-AYE, PURCELL-AYE, FULTON-AYE, MAIKE-AYE, WILLETT-NAY, DeKUIPER-AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

(Commissioner Willett requested the Minutes reflect his support of an across the board 5% reduction as the reasoning behind his negative vote on the motion.)

03-400

MOTION BY PURCELL, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #09-031-03 APPROVING THE 2003 MILLAGE RATE FOR COUNTY OPERATIONS INCLUDING GENERAL, ROAD PATROL, COMMISSION ON AGING, AND SOLDIERS AND SAILORS RELIEF. ROLL CALL VOTE: DERKS-AYE, FULTON-AYE, MAIKE-AYE, PURCELL-AYE, WILLETT-NAY, BALBERDE-AYE, DeKUIPER-AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

(Commissioner Willett requested the Minutes reflect that Resolution #09-031-03 will increase the County income by \$100,000.00.)

Richard Harroun appeared before the Board on behalf of the Veterans' Affairs Committee to request an operational budget. Chairman DeKuiper requested the Veterans' Affairs Committee submit a list of items and costs and a proposed budget for the next Finance/Ways and Means Committee Meeting.

03-401

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY MAIKE, THAT THE NEWAYGO COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE PREPARE A PROPOSED BUDGET AND BRING THAT BUDGET TO THE NEXT FINANCE/WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE MEETING. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/HUMPHREY

INFORMATION: Andy Lofgren, Brenda Wieber and Kurt Humphrey put together a grant for the 911 Central Dispatch, which received \$55,000.00 from the Public Safety Foundation of America to implement the GIS mapping into the 911 program.

Administrator Humphrey attended the Township Supervisors' Meeting. There were questions on Tax/Mapping and discussion relating to the combination of the Equalization and Mapping Departments. The New World Vice President and Developer were at the Computer Advisory Committee Meeting this morning.

Meeting recessed by Chairman DeKuiper at 10:12 A.M. Meeting reconvened at 10:22 A.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Dale Hettmansperger commented on issues relating to the Newaygo County Veterans' Affairs Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS/DeKUIPER
03-323-1

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO UNTABLE MOTION #03-323 (TO TABLE CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE INCREASE OF \$1.00 FOR ALL DOG LICENSING FEES). AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON MOTION #03-323: ROLL CALL VOTE: BALBERDE-NAY, WILLETT-NAY, MAIKE-NAY, FULTON-NAY, PURCELL-NAY, DERKS-NAY, DeKUIPER-NAY. MOTION FAILED.

03-355-2

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY DERKS, TO UNTABLE MOTION #03-355 (TO DENY THE REQUEST TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL CARD ACCESS SYSTEM FOR THE DBH BUILDING THROUGH MIDSTATE SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,574.00, WITH MONIES TO COME FROM DBH SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND 120). AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON MOTION #03-355: AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

03-365-3

MOTION BY DERKS, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO UNTABLE MOTION #03-365 (TO REQUEST THE TREASURER TO RETURN THE 10% BUYER'S PREMIUM CHARGED ON THIS YEAR'S TAX SALE AND NOT CHARGE A PREMIUM ON FUTURE TAX SALES.) AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON MOTION #03-365: ROLL CALL VOTE: DERKS-AYE, WILLETT-AYE, BALBERDE-AYE, MAIKE-AYE, FULTON-AYE, PURCELL-NAY, DeKUIPER-NAY. MOTION CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS/FULTON - The Department of Veterans' Affairs office has moved next to the Mapping Department. Marilyn Beaudry has been helping to assist the veterans.

03-402

MOTION BY PURCELL, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:38 A.M. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

LAUREL J. BREUKER
NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK

STANLEY DeKUIPER, CHAIRMAN
NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PAMELA A. ROLFE
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK
SEPTEMBER 26, 2003