



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

JANUARY 5, 2004

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Meeting called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Newaygo County Clerk, Laurel J. Breuker, with Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

The County Clerk called for nominations for Chairman of the Board.

Commissioner DeKuiper nominated Timothy Purcell as Chairman of the Board. Mr. Purcell declined the nomination.

Commissioner Willett nominated Gerald Derks, Jr., as Chairman of the Board.

04-001

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND CAST A UNANIMOUS BALLOT FOR GERALD DERKS, JR., AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD FOR 2004. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

The County Clerk, Laurel J. Breuker, turned the gavel over to the Chairman of the Board, Gerald Derks, Jr., who called for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Willett nominated James Maike, Jr., as Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2004.

04-002

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND CAST A UNANIMOUS BALLOT FOR JAMES MAIKE, JR., AS VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 2004. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

04-003

MOTION BY BALBERDE, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #01-001-04 REGARDING THE LIMIT OF THE BOARD CHAIRMANSHIP TO A ONE-YEAR TERM. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

04-004

MOTION BY BALBERDE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO LEAVE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS THE SAME AS LAST YEAR. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

04-005

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO REPLACE COMMISSIONER PURCELL WITH COMMISSIONER FULTON AS FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR. ROLL CALL VOTE: MAIKE-AYE, BALBERDE-NAY, DeKUIPER-NAY, PURCELL-NAY, FULTON-NAY, WILLETT-AYE, DERKS-NAY. MOTION FAILED.

Specific Committee appointments were made as follows:

PLANNING/ZONING COMMISSION

GERALD W. DERKS, JR.

FAIR BOARD

STANLEY DeKUIPER

Chairman Derks appointed Commissioner Purcell as Chairman and Commissioner DeKuiper as Vice-Chairman of the Finance/Ways and Means Committee; Commissioner Maike as Chairman and Commissioner Balberde as Vice-Chairman of the Building & Property Committee; and Commissioner Fulton as Chairman and Commissioner Maike as Vice-Chairman of Public Safety/Judicial Committee.

It was the consensus that Board of Commission meetings remain the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 9:30 A.M. and Finance/Ways and Means Committee meetings remain the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 9:30 A.M. Building and Property Committee meetings remain the 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:30 A.M., and Public Safety/Judicial Committee meetings remain the 2nd Thursday of each month, to be held at 10:00 A.M.

A consensus was reached that the Finance/Ways and Means Committee meetings scheduled for August 4th and November 3rd shall be held at 1:30 P.M. The two Board of Commission evening meetings during the year shall remain the 2nd meeting in February and the 2nd meeting in August.

04-006

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY FULTON, TO RESCIND BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' WAGE INCREASES AS STATED IN RESOLUTION #11-034-02 AND TO KEEP THE WAGES AT \$25.00 FOR A HALF A DAY AND \$50.00 FOR A FULL DAY.

04-006-1

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO REFER MOTION #04-006 TO FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSION. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

04-007

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY FULTON, TO REFER THE PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE A 2% WAGE INCREASE FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND PART-TIME EMPLOYEES FOR 2004 TO FINANCE COMMITTEE. AYES-3, NAYS-MAIKE, BALBERDE, DeKUIPER, DERKS. MOTION FAILED.

04-008

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO AUTHORIZE A 2% WAGE INCREASE FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND PART-TIME EMPLOYEES FOR 2004. ROLL CALL VOTE: PURCELL-AYE, DeKUIPER-AYE, FULTON-AYE, BALBERDE-AYE, WILLETT-NAY, MAIKE-AYE, DERKS-AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

04-009

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY FULTON, TO ADOPT THE 2004 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES AS PRESENTED. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

04-010

MOTION BY BALBERDE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:08 A.M. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

LAUREL J. BREUKER
NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK

GERALD W. DERKS, JR., CHAIRMAN
NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PAMELA A. ROLFE
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

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