



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

MARCH 24, 2004

Meeting called to order by Chairman Gerald Derks, Jr. at 9:30 A.M.

Prayer by Pamela A. Rolfe, Newaygo County Chief Deputy Clerk.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Commissioner Balberde.

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

CORRESPONDENCE: Commissioner Fulton requested Attorney VanEssen's  
letter dated March 23, 2004, regarding the Pride Youth Program, Inc.  
and Newaygo County be entered into the record. (See copy attached.)

04-118

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY FULTON, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF MARCH  
24, 2004. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

04-119

MOTION BY PURCELL, SECONDED BY BALBERDE, TO APPROVE THE BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 10, 2004. AYES-ALL. MOTION  
CARRIED.

04-120

MOTION BY FULTON, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO PLACE THE NAMES OF MARY  
BALBERDE, GERARD DESCHAINED, KARLA PALMER, TIM PURCELL AND ARTHUR  
WUNSCH IN NOMINATION FOR THE NEWAYGO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD. FOUR  
(4) THREE-YEAR TERMS EXPIRING APRIL 1, 2007. AYES-ALL. MOTION  
CARRIED.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

DeKUIPER	BALBERDE	DESCHAINED	PURCELL	WUNSCH
MAIKE	BALBERDE	DESCHAINED	PURCELL	WUNSCH
FULTON	BALBERDE	DESCHAINED	PURCELL	WUNSCH
BALBERDE	BALBERDE	DESCHAINED	PURCELL	WUNSCH
WILLETT		DESCHAINED PALMER	PURCELL	WUNSCH
PURCELL	BALBERDE	DESCHAINED	PURCELL	WUNSCH
DERKS	BALBERDE	DESCHAINED	PURCELL	WUNSCH

MARY BALBERDE, GERARD DESCHAIINE, TIMOTHY PURCELL AND ARTHUR WUNSCH ARE RE-APPOINTED TO THE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD FOR TERMS EXPIRING APRIL 1, 2007.

Sandy Risedorph of MSU Extension appeared with student, Alexandra Breza, to present an update on the 4-H Program. Ms. Risedorph reported that the 4-H Program is involved in youth development by teaching leadership, citizenship, and life skills. Program collaborations with the Newaygo Conservation District, the Newaygo County Community Services (NCCS), the Fremont Area Community Foundation, Gerber Foundation, the county libraries and the private and public schools also occur. There are 53 registered 4-H clubs in Newaygo County.

COMMITTEE REPORT/FINANCE WAYS AND MEANS/PURCELL

04-113

MOTION BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY DETAIL ANALYSIS DATED MARCH 17, 2004, CHECK #4799 THROUGH CHECK #5037 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$329,790.62.

04-113-1

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY FULTON, TO AMEND MOTION #04-113 TO HOLD P.R.I.D.E.'S MONEY OUT OF THAT APPROPRIATION. AYES-WILLETT AND FULTON, NAYS-5. MOTION FAILED.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION #04-113: MAIKE-AYE, PURCELL-AYE, BALBERDE-AYE, FULTON-NAY, WILLETT-NAY, DeKUIPER-AYE, DERKS-AYE.  
MOTION CARRIED.

(Commissioners Fulton and Willett requested the minutes reflect the reason for their votes on the previous motion is, "Because we are approving things that we don't have the authority to approve.")

04-114

MOTION BY FINANCE COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO RATIFY THE FEBRUARY 2004 MONTHLY CHECK REGISTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,690,213.14. AYES-5, NAYS-WILLETT AND FULTON. MOTION CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/WILLETT

04-121

MOTION BY AUDIT COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO HAVE THE AUDITORS REVIEW P.R.I.D.E.'S EXPENSES FOR THE PAST YEAR. IF THEY FIND ANY DISCREPANCIES, GO BACK FURTHER.

04-121-1

MOTION BY BALBERDE, SECONDED BY WILLETT, TO AMEND MOTION #04-121 TO REPLACE THE WORDS, "GO BACK FURTHER" WITH "IT WILL BE BROUGHT BACK TO THIS BOARD FOR FURTHER DIRECTION." AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON MOTION #04-121, AS AMENDED:

TO HAVE THE AUDITORS REVIEW P.R.I.D.E.'S EXPENSES FOR THE PAST YEAR. IF THEY FIND ANY DISCREPANCIES, IT WILL BE BROUGHT BACK TO THIS BOARD FOR FURTHER DIRECTION.

AYES-6, NAY-WILLETT. MOTION CARRIED.

(Commissioner Willett requested the minutes reflect the reason for his vote on the previous motion is, "I think we should go back three years.")

04-122

MOTION BY WILLETT, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO REAFFIRM THE COUNTY POLICY ON NEPOTISM AND REMIND ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS OF THIS POLICY. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/MAIKE

04-116

MOTION BY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY FULTON, TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING POSITION TO THE REGISTER OF DEEDS MANNING TABLE, SUBJECT TO FUNDS BEING AVAILABLE IN THE AUTOMATION FUND:

JOB TITLE:	IRREGULAR PART-TIME
POSITION NUMBER:	2680006
PAY GRADE:	02
PAY STEP:	01
RATE OF PAY:	9.2954
FTE:	0 TO .50 HRS (AS NEEDED)
EMPLOYMENT STATUS:	IRREGULAR PART-TIME
ACCOUNT NUMBER:	256.0 - 268.000 - 704.000
EXPIRATION DATE:	N/A

AYES-6, NAY-WILLETT. MOTION CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/BALBERDE - The Computer Advisory Committee met last Wednesday and addressed the question on the mapping issue. The problem exists, not as a result of the flyover, but as a result of putting a square map on a round world. Greater discrepancies will appear on smaller plats of land. Discrepancies will be less with larger plats. Also attended the Mid-South Substance Abuse Committee meeting on Monday.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/FULTON - Attended the Road Commission meeting this morning. The Veterans' Affairs Committee is in the process of preparing a procedure manual. Also attended the MAC (Michigan Association of Counties) meeting in Lansing last Friday.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORT/DERKS - Attended the Township Supervisor's meeting last night. The County Comprehensive Planning Document Committee met last week.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/GRACIK

04-115

MOTION BY PURCELL, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #03-010-04 REGARDING PILT MONEY. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

Deputy Administrator Gracik provided Information Sheets on the three-year preventive maintenance agreement with Circle Creek Heating & Cooling, LLC, and the roof top units on the Courthouse for the Board's review.

MISCELLANEOUS/MAIKE - A meeting is being set up with Ottawa County regarding subscriptions to the GIS program. The Newaygo County Sports Park/Everett Township Ad Hoc Committee met yesterday. Also attended the Township Supervisor's meeting last night.

MISCELLANEOUS/DERKS - The Planning/Zoning Commission and township officials have requested a county wide PDR/TDR (Purchase of Development Rights/Transfer of Development Rights) Ordinance.

Chairman Derks formally established the County Wide PDR/TDR (Purchase of Development Rights/Transfer of Development Rights) Ad Hoc Committee, appointing the following individuals to that committee: Commissioner Rosswell Fulton, Jr., Commissioner Timothy Purcell, Holly Moon, Land Use Educator Sarah O'Donnell, Harry Stroven, Ivan Norris, Stan VanSingel, Bob Wood, Bob Kole, Harry Robinson, Max Bouwkamp, and two (2) realtors to be announced. Kelly Bishop from the USDA is appointed as Advisor. Commissioner Rosswell Fulton and Harry Robinson shall co-chair the committee.

04-123

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY PURCELL, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:05 A.M. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

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LAUREL J. BREUKER  
NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK

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

PAMELA A. ROLFE  
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK  
MARCH 26, 2004