



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

JANUARY 2, 2009

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: Barbara Geno; Patrick Gardner; James Maike, Jr.; Stanley Nieboer; Simon Scholtens; Charles Trapp; Adam Wright

The County Clerk called for nominations for Chairman of the Board for 2009.

Commissioner Nieboer nominated Adam Wright as Chairman of the Board. No other nominations were presented upon the call of the Clerk.

09-001

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY GARDNER, TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

ROLL CALL VOTE FOR ADAM WRIGHT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: TRAPP-AYE, GARDNER-AYE, SCHOLTENS-AYE, GENO-NAY, MAIKE-NAY, NIEBOER-AYE, WRIGHT-AYE.

The County Clerk, Laurel J. Breuker, turned the gavel over to the Chairman of the Board, Adam Wright, who then called for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Gardner nominated Stanley Nieboer as Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2009. No other nominations were presented.

09-002

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY TRAPP, TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

ROLL CALL VOTE FOR STANLEY NIEBOER AS VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: MAIKE-AYE, GENO-AYE, GARDNER-AYE, NIEBOER-AYE, SCHOLTENS-AYE, TRAPP-AYE, WRIGHT-AYE.

Chairman Wright declared Stanley Nieboer as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

09-003

MOTION BY GARDNER, SECONDED BY TRAPP, TO APPROVE THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE MEETINGS AS PRESENTED.

09-003-1

MOTION BY NIEBOER, SECONDED BY TRAPP, TO AMEND THE CALENDAR CHANGING THE QUARTERLY SCHEDULED NIGHT BOARD OF COMMISSION MEETINGS TO REGULAR MEETINGS BEGINNING AT 9:30 A.M. AND THE QUARTERLY SCHEDULED 3:30 P.M. PHYSICAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS TO REGULAR MEETINGS BEGINNING AT 10:30 A.M. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON MOTION #09-003, AS AMENDED:

TO APPROVE THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE MEETINGS AS PRESENTED, AMENDING THE CALENDAR BY CHANGING THE QUARTERLY SCHEDULED NIGHT BOARD OF COMMISSION MEETINGS TO REGULAR MEETINGS BEGINNING AT 9:30 A.M. AND THE QUARTERLY SCHEDULED 3:30 P.M. PHYSICAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS TO REGULAR MEETINGS BEGINNING AT 10:30 A.M.

AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

Board of Commission meetings remain the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 9:30 A.M.; Finance Committee meetings remain the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:30 A.M. Public Safety/Judicial Committee meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10:30 A.M.; Health, Education & Human Services Committee meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:00 P.M.; and Physical & Economic Development Committee meetings will be held the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10:30 A.M.

09-004

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY TRAPP, TO ACCEPT THE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AS PRESENTED. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

BOARD OF COMMISSION COMMITTEE STRUCTURE:

FIVE MEMBER COMMITTEE:

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR	PATRICK GARDNER
FINANCE COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIR	BARBARA GENO
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER	ADAM WRIGHT
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER	STANLEY NIEBOER
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER	CHARLES TRAPP

THREE MEMBER COMMITTEES:

PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIAL CHAIR	STANLEY NIEBOER
PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIAL VICE-CHAIR	CHARLES TRAPP
PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIAL MEMBER	SIMON SCHOLTENS

HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES CHAIR	SIMON SCHOLTENS
HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES VICE-CHAIR	BARBARA GENO
HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES MEMBER	JAMES MAIKE, JR.

PHYSICAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CHAIR	CHARLES TRAPP
PHYSICAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT VICE-CHAIR	JAMES MAIKE, JR.
PHYSICAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEMBER	PATRICK GARDNER

09-005

MOTION BY TRAPP, SECONDED BY NIEBOER, TO ACCEPT THE 2009 NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEES MILEAGE AND PER DIEM AS PRESENTED. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

09-006

MOTION BY GARDNER, SECONDED BY TRAPP, TO ADOPT THE 2009 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES AS PRESENTED.

09-006-1

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY SCHOLTENS, TO AMEND THE 2009 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES BY PASSING A RESOLUTION LIMITING THE BOARD CHAIRMANSHIP TO A ONE-YEAR TERM. ROLL CALL VOTE: NIEBOER-NAY, TRAPP-NAY, GENO-AYE, GARDNER-NAY, MAIKE-AYE, SCHOLTENS-NAY, WRIGHT-NAY. MOTION FAILED.

09-006-2

MOTION BY MAIKE, SECONDED BY SCHOLTENS, TO AMEND SECTION VI, PARAGRAPH A.1. OF THE 2009 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES BY REMOVING THE WORDS "NON-STATUTORY" AND CHANGING THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO SEVEN (7) COMMISSIONERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: NIEBOER-NAY, GARDNER-NAY, TRAPP-NAY, GENO-AYE, SCHOLTENS-AYE, MAIKE-AYE, WRIGHT-NAY. MOTION FAILED.

09-006-3

MOTION BY GENO, SECONDED BY SCHOLTENS, TO AMEND SECTION IV, PARAGRAPH B.3. OF THE 2009 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES BY ADDING THE WORDS "THE COMMITTEE(S) AND BOARD CHAIRS" IN PLACE OF "THE CHAIR" IN THE FIRST FULL SENTENCE ON PAGE 8. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

VOTE ON MOTION #09-006, AS AMENDED:

TO ADOPT THE 2009 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES AS PRESENTED, WITH AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION IV, PARAGRAPH B.3. BY ADDING THE WORDS "THE COMMITTEE(S) AND BOARD CHAIRS" IN PLACE OF "THE CHAIR" IN THE FIRST FULL SENTENCE ON PAGE 8.

ROLL CALL VOTE: GARDNER-AYE, NIEBOER-AYE, TRAPP-AYE, GENO-AYE, MAIKE-NAY, SCHOLTENS-NAY, WRIGHT-AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS/WRIGHT - Discussion occurred on the information presented relating to the upcoming conferences and travel expenses associated therewith.

MISCELLANEOUS/MAIKE - Set forth his goals as commissioner including those relating to the County Newsletter; requested consideration of the appointment of a County Newsletter Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS/GARDNER - Expressed comments regarding membership of the Finance Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS/NIEBOER
09-007

MOTION BY NIEBOER, SECONDED BY GENO, TO ADD SEAT PLACEMENT TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES AND ESTABLISH BOARD OF COMMISSIONER SEAT PLACEMENT AT THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AS FOLLOWS: 1) RETURNING COMMISSIONERS CHOOSE FIRST BY SENIORITY AS DETERMINED BY YEARS OF SERVICE ON THE BOARD OF COMMISSION; IF SENIORITY IS EQUAL, NAMES WILL BE DRAWN AT RANDOM; and 2) INCOMING COMMISSIONERS CHOOSE 2ND BY SENIORITY; IF SENIORITY IS EQUAL, NAMES WILL BE DRAWN AT RANDOM. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS/TRAPP - Provided background information on his reasoning for attending the Finance Committee meetings during the past two years.

MISCELLANEOUS/FREMONT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY - The County Clerk requested direction on how to respond to a request by the Fremont Local Development Finance Authority for a commissioner appointment. Chairman Wright indicated that appointment should be made by the chief executive officer or the mayor of the city, subject to the approval of the city council. No appointment was made by the Board.

MISCELLANEOUS/SEAT PLACEMENT - Seat placement choices were made.

09-008

MOTION BY NIEBOER, SECONDED BY MAIKE, TO ADJOURN THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AT 10:35 A.M. AYES-ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

/S/
LAUREL J. BREUKER
NEWAYGO COUNTY CLERK

/S/
ADAM WRIGHT, CHAIRMAN
NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JANUARY 8, 2009