

MUSKEGON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MUSKEGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

AGENDA

FULL BOARD

Hall of Justice

990 Terrace, Muskegon, MI

March 20, 2014 - 4:00 PM

Kenneth Mahoney, Chair
Rillastine Wilkins, Vice-Chair

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Approval of the Minutes of March 11, 2014
7. Public Comment (on an agenda item)
8. Public Hearing
 - A. Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Natural Resources Trust Fund
Blue Lake County Park Improvements
 - B. Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Land and Water Conservation Fund
Deremo Access Site – Boat Launch
9. Committee/Board Reports
 - A. Community Development & Strategic Planning Committee (attached)
 - B. Transportation Committee (attached)
 - C. Ways & Means Committee (attached)

Public Comment

Persons may address the Commission during the time set aside for Public Comment or at any time by suspension of the rules. All persons must address the commission and state their name for the record. Comments shall be limited to **two (2) minutes** for each participant, unless time is extended prior to the public comment period by a vote of a majority of the commission.

10. Chairman's Report/Committee Liaison Reports
 - A. Resolution of Approval to Support the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Application for Development of Phase 2 of the North Bank Trail in Crockery Township from 130th Avenue to Nunica
 - B. Resolution to Support National Bike to Work Week
 - C. Proclamation to Support April, 2014 Month of the Young Child
 - D. Board Planning Session – Tuesday, April 1st
GIS Strategic Plan/Interview with the Board of Commissioners
 - E. Community Mental Health Board Appointment/Reappointments: Term 03/31/17
Reappointments: Cheryl Natte, Kenneth Shelton, John Snider
Appointment: Coleen Davis
11. Administrator's Report
12. Old Business
13. New Business
14. Public Comment
15. Adjournment

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**RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL TO SUPPORT
THE MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND APPLICATION FOR
FOR DEVELOPMENT OF PHASE 2 OF THE NORTH BANK TRAIL IN CROCKERY TOWNSHIP FROM 130TH
AVE. TO NUNICA.**

Whereas, Muskegon County desires to promote healthy and active lifestyles;

Whereas, Muskegon County desires to offer safe routes to schools;

Whereas, Muskegon County desires to offer recreational opportunities to persons with disabilities;

Whereas, Muskegon County desires to provide an affordable recreation element accessible to all age groups of the community;

Whereas, Muskegon County desires to connect and extend Phase 1 of the North Bank Trail to Nunica and eventually to the Musketawa Trail east of Coopersville;

Whereas, Muskegon County desires to develop a regional trail system that connects to other regional trail systems in the area;

Whereas, Muskegon County desires to promote economic development through tourism activity;

Whereas, Muskegon County supports preserving historical structures related to former railroad transportation;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Muskegon County supports the concept of continuous collaboration for trail maintenance and improvement;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Muskegon County supports the Crockery Township application to the Michigan natural Resources Trust Fund for development of Phase 2 of the North Bank Trail;

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RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT NATIONAL BIKE TO WORK WEEK

WHEREAS, for more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of the lives of Americans; and

WHEREAS, today, millions of Americans engage in bicycling as an environmentally sound form of transportation, an excellent form of fitness, and provides quality family recreation; and

WHEREAS, "Bike to Work Week" is a nationwide endeavor to educate the public about the benefits of bicycling and to increase awareness of and respect for bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, the County of Muskegon, recognizes the benefits of bicycle commuting in providing exercise, decreasing air pollution, conserving fuel, decreasing traffic congestion, decreasing noise pollution, and improving the health of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the League of Michigan Bicyclists and independent cyclists throughout our state are promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, bicycle transportation is an integral part of the "multi-modal" transportation system planned for by city, state and local transportation government agencies; and

WHEREAS, we recognize and encourage cycling as an important means of transportation, and support potential new cyclists in joining our community; and

WHEREAS, Ride On! Bike to Work Week Committee encourage all citizens to ride their bicycles to work, to the store, to the park, around their neighborhoods and with friends and family during the week of May 12 – 16, 2014, to promote the personal and social and societal benefits achieved from bicycling.

NOW, THEREFORE the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim "Bike to Work Week" and encourages participation in the event by all citizens.

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PROCLAMATION

April, 2014
Month of the Young Child

Whereas, the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners, in conjunction with other local organizations and the National Association for the Education of Young Children, wish to proclaim April, 2014 the Month of the Young Child; and

Whereas, these organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities, including early literacy programs, that can provide a foundation of learning for children in Muskegon, Michigan; and

Whereas, teachers and others who make a difference in the lives of young children in Muskegon, Michigan deserve thanks and recognition; and

Whereas, public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to young children's futures;

We, Muskegon County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April, 2014 as the Month of the Young Child™ in Muskegon, Michigan and encourage all citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood in Michigan.

The Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee met on March 20, 2014, it was recommended and I move:

CD/SP14/03 - 02 To adopt the License Agreement with Unity Christian Events/Alive on the Lakeshore to provide a license for the use of Heritage Landing August 6-9, 2014 for the Unity Christian Music Festival, and to authorize the Chairperson of the County Board to execute the agreement.

The Transportation Committee met on March 20, 2014; it was recommended, and I move:

- TR14/03-04 To authorize the Muskegon Area Transit System to publish the public notice regarding Federal Operating and Capital applications and to authorize staff to execute the electronic grant applications if there is no request for public hearing.
- TR14/03-05 To approve an Amendment extending the West Michigan Flying Club's lease for land at the Airport for an additional 10-year term.
- TR14/03-06 To approve the Airport's Engineer, Prein & Newhof, to design and bid a project to construct an access taxiway at the Airport for Aerovision International, in accordance with an Access Agreement approved by the Board of Commissioners in July 2013.
- TR14/03-07 To authorize MATS to purchase one (1) small bus from Hoekstra Transportation through the State of Michigan MIDEAL contract for a price not to exceed \$100,000, with grant funding to cover 100% of the cost of the purchase.

The Ways & Means Committee met on March 18, 2014, it was recommended and I move:

- WM14/03 – 29 To approve payment of the accounts payable of \$7,086,168.02 covering the period of February 22, 2014 through March 7, 2014 as presented by the County Clerk.
- WM14/03 – 30 To authorize the Board of Commissioners to approve the Buy/Sell agreement for the property listed at 1017 Pine Street, Muskegon, MI and to pay for the property utilizing the Jail/Construction Contingency Fund.
- WM14/03 – 31 To approve the deletion of the following Brookhaven positions:
Department Dietary (2900-0058):

A05001, A05002, A05003, A05004, A05005, A05006, A05007, A05008, A05009, A15001, A15002, A15004, A15005, A15006, A15008, A15009, A15010, A15011, A15012, A15013, A15014, A15015, A15017, A15018, N34401, N34501, X28901

Department Housekeeping (2900-0056):

A07501, A07502, A07504, A07505, A07506, A07507, A07509, A07510, A07511
- WM14/03 – 32 To authorize the Chairman to execute the Contingency Fee Agreement with the Law Firm of Baker Sterchi Cowden & Rice, LLC to pursue a claim in the United States Federal Court of Claims against the United States Government for a possible taking of County property without compensation.
- WM14/03 – 33 To authorize to award the bid of Lownds Enterprises in the amount of \$84,056.00 and authorize the Chairman of the County Board of Commissioners to sign the contract.
- WM14/03 – 34 To authorize the staff to apply for blight elimination funds from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority for up to \$200,000 and hold a public hearing on the grant application on April 8, 2014.
- WM14/03 – 35 To approve purchase of 500 Unidesk licenses with a cost not to exceed \$52,500.00.
- WM14/03 – 36 To approve a Tribute honoring Deshaun Thrower, Muskegon High School, winner of the state's prestigious 2014 Hal Schram Mr. Basketball award.