

**Muskegon County
Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee
October 18, 2012
3:30 p.m.
Hall of Justice
990 Terrace
Muskegon, MI**

Robert Scolnik, Chair

Benjamin Cross, Vice-Chair

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Scolnik at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager,
Anthony Longmire, Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik,
John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Excused: James Derezinski

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Plummer, supported by Cross, to approve the minutes of the
September 20, 2012, meeting as written. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (On an agenda item)

Mr. Dave Kieft, Jr., Muskegon Charter Township Supervisor, approached the Board
regarding motion #CD/SP12/10-13.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Bob Lukens, Community Development Director, presented an update to the Board
regarding the Port/Rail/Transportation Committee. He noted the charge of this
Committee is to determine Muskegon County government's role and involvement in Port
development. Mr. Lukens discussed the previously held stakeholder meetings with port
operators/property owners, local governments, regional corporations, and
environmental groups/Muskegon Sustainability Coalition. A stakeholder meeting with
the general public will be scheduled in the near future. A draft view of the Muskegon
County Port page was presented containing information regarding services, inquiries,

marine terminals and intermodal transportation connections. Mr. Lukens requested input and comment on the draft page and noted once comments were received, reviewed and acted upon, the web page would be made available on the County's web page. The next steps for the upcoming meeting were discussed and include: By-law review by the Committee, Committee structure and recommended initiatives.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

CD/SP12/10 - 11 It was moved by Snider, supported by Wilkins, to adopt the Agreement with CGI Communications to provide a web-based Video Tourbook of Muskegon County's assets to be available on the county website, www.co.muskegon.mi.us, and to authorize the Chairperson of the County Board to execute the agreement.

Motion carried.

CD/SP12/10 – 12 It was moved by Snider, supported by Mahoney, to adopt the Agreement with Lunar Cow Design of Akron, Ohio to develop, design, produce, provide advertising sales and services, store and deliver 62,000 copies of the official 2013 Muskegon County Visitors Guide for a cost of \$45,677, and to authorize the Chairperson of the County Board to execute the agreement.

Motion carried.

CD/SP12/10 – 13 It was moved by Mahoney, supported by Cross, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Quit Claim Deed deeding the parcel of property described as: The West 45 feet of the East 299 feet of the North 330 feet of the south 660 feet of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 22 Town 10 North Range 16 West, to the Township of Muskegon for the sale price of \$1.00.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Tim Burgess, Muskegon County Land Bank Consultant, addressed the Board and provided information regarding the Muskegon County Land Bank and its recent award of the 2012 Rural Land Bank of the Year! Mr. Burgess apprised the Board of the Land Bank operations and noted they recently reached the million dollar mark in total sales value. The Land Bank also recently celebrated the sale of its 100th parcel.

Commissioners congratulated Mr. Burgess and the Land Bank Authority on its success.

Commissioner Engle reminded Commissioners and guests of the Veterans Memorial Dedication being held on Tuesday, October 23rd at 2:00 p.m. at South Campus, near the Training Center. He noted there will be a short program and ribbon cutting for the new flag pole and bench being presented by Consumers Energy. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT (On a new topic)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.