Muskegon County
Courts/Public Safety Committee Meeting
November 5, 2013
4:00 p.m.
Hall of Justice, 4th Floor
Muskegon, MI

Benjamin Cross, Chair **Susie Hughes, Vice-Chair**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Cross at 4:16 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Terry Sabo, Robert Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Hughes, supported by Nash, to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2013, meeting as written. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (On an agenda item)

None.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

CPS13/11 – 39 It was moved by Derezinski, supported by Wilkins, to accept the Court Innovation Grant award to the 14th Circuit Court in the amount of $50,000, and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Court Innovation Grant FY2014 Contract. Motion carried.

CPS13/11 – 40 It was moved by Derezinski, supported by Mahoney, to approve the FY2014 Child Care Fund Annual Plan and Budget and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the document for submission to the State of Michigan. Motion carried.

CPS13/11 – 41 It was moved by Derezinski, supported by Hughes, to authorize the Sheriff's Office to apply for the 2014 calendar year Marine Safety Grant from the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Motion carried.

CPS13/11 – 42 It was moved by Nash, supported by Sabo, to authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept the FY2013-2014 Office of Highway Safety Planning – Secondary Road Patrol & Traffic Accident Prevention Program grant (#50746-14) in the amount of $147,870.00 with a County supplement anticipated at $72,809.00. Motion carried.

CPS13/11 – 43 It was moved by Derezinski, supported by Nash, to authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the contract with the Michigan Department of Corrections and accept the FY2014 Community Corrections grant in the amount of $190,914.00. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Fred Johnson, Public Defender Department Director, provided an update to the Board on the Public Defender Department. He noted interviews for the public defender attorney positions are currently underway. Renovations are currently taking place at South Campus - Training Center which will house the new department. Mr. Johnson noted he has contacted Muskegon Community College, Baker College, Grand Valley State University and Cooley Law School for both legal and clerical interns. He noted it is his intention to inform/meet with local municipalities, area churches and community leaders to outreach and inform them of the new department, location and contact information. He noted he also has been asked to speak at the upcoming Bar Association meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Justin Kelsey and Mr. Branden Addicott, Muskegon Community College students, introduced themselves to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Courts & Public Safety Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.