

*Muskegon County
Board of Commissioners
Hall of Justice, 990 Terrace, 4th Floor
Muskegon, MI 49442*

*Lewis Collins
Benjamin E. Cross
James Derezinski
Marvin Engle
Alan Jager
Anthony Longmire*

*Kenneth Mahoney
Scott Plummer
Robert Scolnik
I. John Snider, II
Rillastine R. Wilkins*

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FULL BOARD MEETING

**January 12, 2012
4:01 P.M.**

Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Presiding

The Full Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Kenneth Mahoney. The invocation was given by Chairman Mahoney and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Roll Call

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

Absent: None

Also Present: County Administrator Bonnie B. Hammersley,
County Clerk Nancy A. Waters,
Chief Deputy County Clerk Marcia L. Wilkes,
Corporate Counsel Theodore N. Williams, Jr.

2012-10 **APPROVE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION TO THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT OF FOUR (4) APPOINTMENTS TO THE LAND BANK AUTHORITY.**

Moved by Plummer, seconded by Wilkins, to approve the agenda with the additional to the Chairman's Report of four (4) appointments to the Land Bank Authority.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

2012-11 **APPROVE FULL BOARD MINUTES OF DECEMBER 15, 2011 AND THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2012**

Moved by Engle, seconded by Cross, to approve the Full Board Minutes of December 15, 2011 and the Organizational Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2012.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT (on an agenda item)

None.

COMMUNICATION/INFORMATION

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2012-12 **AUTHORIZE THE CIRCUIT COURT THROUGH ITS CHIEF JUDGE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH J. CHRISTOPHER WILSON TO PROVIDE FULL TIME PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES TO THE COURT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000 AND TO JOSEPH FISHER TO PROVIDE HALF-TIME PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,000 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2012**

CPS12/01 - 01 The Courts & Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Snider, seconded by Longmire, to authorize the Circuit Court through its Chief Judge to enter into a contract with J. Christopher Wilson to provide full time Public Defender services to the Court in the amount of \$130,000 and to Joseph Fisher to provide half-time Public Defender services in the amount of \$65,000 effective January 1, 2012.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-13 **AUTHORIZE THE CIRCUIT COURT, THROUGH ITS CHIEF JUDGE THE HONORABLE JOHN C. RUCK TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR PUBLIC DEFENDERS, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011:**

CPS12/01 - 02 The Courts & Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Snider, seconded by Longmire, to authorize the Circuit Court, through its Chief Judge the Honorable John C. Ruck to enter into contracts with the following attorneys as follows effective October 1, 2011:

Public Defenders

Al Swanson -	\$130,000	Fred J. Lesica -	\$130,000
J. Christopher Wilson -	\$65,000	Joseph Fisher -	\$ 45,000
Frederic F. Balgooyen -	\$47,258		

Contract Attorneys

Gary Veurink -	\$45,000	Edna Kass -	\$45,000
Chad Catalino -	\$45,000	Michael Walsh -	\$45,000
David Kortring -	\$45,000	Thoa Du -	\$45,000
Karen Groenhout -	\$45,000	David Williams -	\$45,000

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-14 **APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE SHERIFF'S RADIOS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AS BUDGETED IN THE CAPITAL EQUIPMENT BUDGET FOR FY12 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$64,686 FROM T&W ELECTRONICS IN GRAND RAPIDS THROUGH THE STATE OF MICHIGAN PURCHASING CONTRACT**

CPS12/01 - 03 The Courts & Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by Snider, seconded by Longmire, to approve the purchase of the Sheriff's radios and related equipment as budgeted in the capital equipment budget for FY12 in the amount of \$64,686 from T&W Electronics in Grand Rapids through the State of Michigan purchasing contract.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: Alan Jager

Motion Carried

2012-15 **APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY2012 DNR SNOWMOBILE
LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$6,594 AND TO ADJUST THE COUNTY'S BUDGET
ACCORDINGLY**

CPS12/01 - 04 The Courts & Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by
Snider, seconded by Longmire, to approve acceptance of the FY2012
DNR Snowmobile Law Enforcement Program Grant in the amount of
\$6,594 and to adjust the County's budget accordingly.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager,
Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer,
Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-16 **APPROVE A TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF PATRICIA B. JOHNSON,
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PRESIDENT EMERITUS**

CPS12/01 - 05 The Courts & Public Safety Committee recommends, moved by
Snider, seconded by Longmire, to approve a Tribute in honor of
Patricia B. Johnson, Community Foundation President Emeritus.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager,
Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer,
Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-17 **AUTHORIZE THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH DIVERSIFIED MEDICAL STAFFING, LLC FOR THE PROVISION OF PRIVATE DUTY NURSING SERVICES - LPN AT A RATE OF \$30.20 AN HOUR AND \$45.30 AN HOUR FOR OVERTIME AND HOLIDAYS, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012, WITH AN ANNUAL CAP NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000.00

HR12/01 - 01 The Human Resources Committee recommends, moved by Plummer, seconded by Engle, to authorize the Community Mental Health Services Chief Operating Officer to sign a contract with Diversified Medical Staffing, LLC for the provision of Private Duty Nursing Services - LPN at a rate of \$30.20 an hour and \$45.30 an hour for overtime and holidays, effective December 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012, with an annual cap not to exceed \$75,000.00.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-18 **AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OF MUSKEGON COUNTY CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO ENTER INTO HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT ADJUSTMENT (HRA) AGREEMENTS WITH THOSE COMMUNITY INPATIENT HOSPITALS IN WHICH EITHER OTTAWA OR MUSKEGON AFFILIATES PAID FOR INPATIENT CARE OF THEIR CONSUMERS DURING FY2010, OR MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH HAS ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AS ONE OF THE PAYEES FOR THE FACILITY**

HR12/01 - 02 The Human Resources Committee recommends, moved by Plummer, seconded by Engle, to authorize Community Mental Health Services of Muskegon County Chief Operating Officer to enter into Hospital Reimbursement Adjustment (HRA) agreements with those community inpatient hospitals in which either Ottawa or Muskegon affiliates paid for inpatient care of their consumers during FY2010, or Michigan Department of Community Health has established Community Mental Health as one of the payees for the facility.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-19 **AUTHORIZE THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OF**

MUSKEGON COUNTY (CMH) CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO AMEND THE CMH FY 2011/2012 CONTRACT WITH PIONEER RESOURCES TO INCLUDE A REDUCED RATE FOR COMMUNITY LIVING SUPPORT SERVICES OF \$4.50 PER 15-MINUTE UNIT FOR SERVICES DELIVERED AT A 1 TO 1 RATIO, AND \$2.12 PER 15-MINUTE UNIT FOR SERVICES DELIVERED AT A 1 TO 2+ RATIO TO RESIDENTS AT GRETCHEN'S PLACE, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

HR12/01 - 03 The Human Resources Committee recommends, moved by Plummer, seconded by Engle, to authorize the Community Mental Health Services of Muskegon County (CMH) Chief Operating Officer to amend the CMH FY 2011/2012 contract with Pioneer Resources to include a reduced rate for community living support services of \$4.50 per 15-minute unit for services delivered at a 1 to 1 ratio, and \$2.12 per 15-minute unit for services delivered at a 1 to 2+ ratio to residents at Gretchen's Place, effective December 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-20 **AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR THE RENDERING OF TECHNICAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,664.00, EFFECTIVE FROM OCTOBER 1, 2011, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2012, WITH NO EFFECT ON COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS**

HR12/01 - 04 The Human Resources Committee recommends, moved by Plummer, seconded by Engle, to authorize the Public Health Director to sign the agreement with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for the rendering of technical services in the amount of \$52,664.00, effective from October 1, 2011, to September 30, 2012, with no effect on County General Funds.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-21 **ACCEPT THE GRANT EXTENSION FROM THE CENTERS FOR**

DISEASE CONTROL THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$43,951. FURTHER AUTHORIZE PUBLIC HEALTH TO CONTINUE THE CONTRACT WITH WEST MICHIGAN SHORELINE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINING BALANCE OF \$12,773 IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO CONDUCT A COMMUNITY BASED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT USING THE PROTOCOL FOR ASSESSING COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, WITH NO EFFECT ON COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS

HR12/01 - 05 The Human Resources Committee recommends, moved by Plummer, seconded by Engle, to authorize Public Health to accept the grant extension from the Centers for Disease Control through September 30, 2012, in the amount of \$43,951. Further authorize Public Health to continue the contract with West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission for the remaining balance of \$12,773 in order to continue to conduct a community based environmental health assessment using the Protocol for Assessing Community Excellence in Environmental Health, with no effect on county general funds.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-22 **APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF \$3,753,192.88 COVERING THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 7, 2011 THROUGH DECEMBER 20, 2011, AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

WM12/01 - 01 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to approve payment of the accounts payable of \$3,753,192.88 covering the period of December 7, 2011 through December 20, 2011, as presented by the County Clerk.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-23 **HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON FEBRUARY 28, 2012 TO ACCEPT
CITIZEN COMMENTS ON THE RELEASE OF FUNDS FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AS
WELL AS THE FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT FOR THE
HUD LEAD GRANT**

WM12/01 - 02 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins,
seconded by Engle, to hold a public hearing on February 28, 2012 to
accept citizen comments on the Release of Funds from the
Department of Housing and Urban Development as well as the
Finding of No Significant Impact for the HUD Lead Grant.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager,
Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer,
Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-24 **HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON FEBRUARY 28, 2012 TO ACCEPT
CITIZEN COMMENTS ON THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AS WELL AS THE ENVIRONMENTAL
REVIEW FOR THE PROGRAM**

WM12/01 - 03 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins,
seconded by Engle, to hold a public hearing on February 28, 2012 to
accept citizen comments on the Community Development Block Grant
program as well as the environmental review for the program.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager,
Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer,
Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-25 **APPROVE THE DETERMINATION OF PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS RELATED TO THE NATIONAL
FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM POLICY**

WM12/01 - 04 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins,
seconded by Engle, to approve the Determination of Participant
Eligibility in the Department of Housing and Urban Development
Programs Related to the National Flood Insurance Program Policy.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager,
Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer,
Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-26 **AUTHORIZE THE LEASE/PURCHASE RESOLUTION WITH PNC
BANK WITH AN INTEREST RATE OF 1.89% OVER A 60 MONTH
TERM**

WM12/01 - 05 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins,
seconded by Engle, to authorize the lease/purchase resolution with
PNC Bank with an interest rate of 1.89% over a 60 month term.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager,
Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer,
Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2012-27 **APPROVE THE RECLASSIFICATION OF DEPARTMENTAL CLERK POSITION #N26005 (NO 00105 \$12.882-\$15.562) TO TYPIST (NO 00060 \$11.261-\$13.844) WITH A FUNDING OF 50% 6770-0203 AND 50% 6770-0204**

WM12/01 - 06 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to approve the reclassification of Departmental Clerk position #N26005 (NO 00105 \$12.882-\$15.562) to Typist (NO 00060 \$11.261-\$13.844) with a funding of 50% 6770-0203 and 50% 6770-0204.

Roll Call

Ayes: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Vice Chairman I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Nays: None

Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT/COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Chairman Mahoney, along with Dr. Doris Rucks and Bob Carter, presented a tribute in recognition of Father Jack LaGoe's work to the County and its citizens. He was the Chairman of the Human Resources Board, but Father Jack LaGoe spent his entire career doing good in our community, including working for over 28 years with prisoners.

Bob Carter, the new Chairman of the Human Resources Board, expressed his thanks to Father LaGoe. Mr. Carter stated that it was humbling to work with Father LaGoe and that he had been a great mentor.

Chairman Mahoney presented to the Board a Resolution in Support of "Move the Box"; Initiative Regarding Criminal Background Checks.

2012-28 **MOVED BY LONGMIRE, SECONDED BY ENGLE, THAT THE COUNTY SUPPORT THE "MOVE THE BOX"; INITIATIVE REGARDING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.**

Discussion followed.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Chairman Mahoney announced that there will be a Board Planning Session on January 24, 2012, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the South Campus, in Room 202.

Chairman Mahoney recommended the following Citizens Appointments to the Workforce Development Board, for the term of 1/1/12 - 12/31/14

- a. Jim Fisher/Private Sector
- b. Ed Breitenbach/Education Post-Secondary
- c. Lee Coggin/Education Post-Secondary
- d. Rob Deckert/Vocational
- e. Sherry White/Private Sector
- f. Edward Garner/Economic Development
- g. Christine Robere/Community-Based Organization
- h. Lisa Stafford/Private Sector
- i. Larry Byl/Oceana County

2012-29 **MOVED BY DEREZINSKI, SECONDED BY ENGLE, THAT BOARD MAKE THE FOLLOWING CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, FOR A TERM 1/1/12 - 12/31/14:**

- a. Jim Fisher/Private Sector**
- b. Ed Breitenbach/Education Post-Secondary**
- c. Lee Coggin/Education Post-Secondary**
- d. Rob Deckert/Vocational**
- e. Sherry White/Private Sector**
- f. Edward Garner/Economic Development**
- g. Christine Robere/Community-Based Organization**
- h. Lisa Stafford/Private Sector**
- i. Larry Byl/Oceana County**

Discussion followed.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Chairman Mahoney recommended the following appointments to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee; for a term 1/1/12 - 12/31/14:

- a. Camille Jourden-Mark/Amusements
- b. Brett Gilbert/Restaurant/Catering

2012-30 **MOVED BY SNIDER, SECONDED BY LONGMIRE, THAT THE BOARD MAKE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE; FOR A TERM 1/1/12 - 12/31/14:**

- a. Camille Jourden-Mark/Amusements**
- b. Brett Gilbert/Restaurant/Catering**

Discussion followed.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Chairman Mahoney recommended the appointment of Shawn Tate/Consumer Representative to the Community Health Services Board; for a term 1/12/12 - 3/31/13.

2012-31 **MOVED BY PLUMMER, SECONDED BY SNIDER, THAT THE BOARD APPOINT SHAWN TATE/CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES BOARD; FOR A TERM 1/12/12 - 3/31/13.**

Discussion followed.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Chairman Mahoney recommended the appointment of Rillastine Wilkins to the Muskegon Area Wide Plan (MAP) Advisory Committee for a term 12/31/12.

2012-32 **MOVED BY DEREZINSKI, SECONDED BY LONGMIRE, THAT THE BOARD APPOINT RILLASTINE WILKINS TO THE MUSKEGON AREA WIDE PLAN (MAP) ADVISORY COMMITTEE; FOR A TERM 12/31/12.**

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Chairman Mahoney recommended the following appointments to the Land Bank Authority for a term 1/1/12 - 12/31/14: Donald Aley-public; Scott Drier-public; Stephen Gawron-City of Muskegon; and Willie Watson-City of Muskegon Heights.

2012-33 **MOVED BY SNIDER, SECONDED BY CROSS, THAT THE BOARD APPOINT THE FOLLOWING TO THE LAND BANK AUTHORITY FOR A TERM 1/1/12 - 12/31/14: DONALD ALEY-PUBLIC; SCOTT DRIER-PUBLIC; STEPHEN GAWRON-CITY OF MUSKEGON; AND WILLIE WATSON-CITY OF MUSKEGON HEIGHTS.**

Discussion followed. Tim Burgess with the Land Bank Authority gave an update.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Commissioner Jager stated that he had recently attended the SMART Meeting in Ottawa County. The Ottawa county administrator gave a presentation on how their county pays the co-pays on health insurance for their employees. Commissioner Jager indicated Ottawa County has seen a significant savings.

Commissioner Snider stated he had attended the interagency diversion group, and he gave an update on the initiatives being taken through this group.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Administrator reminded everyone of the Strategic Planning Session for the Board scheduled on Tuesday, January 17, 2012, from noon to 3:00 p.m. and on Thursday, January 19, 2012 from noon to 3:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Derezinski requested a resolution for Jerry Bitson, who has made lots of contributions to our community for years.

2012-34 **MOVED BY DEREZINSKI, SECONDED BY CROSS, THAT THE BOARD ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR JERRY BITSON.**

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Commissioner Scolnik stated that Judge Timothy Hicks was recently elected Chairman of the Michigan Judges Association, which is a “really big honor for Judge Hicks and for Muskegon County.”

PUBLIC COMMENT (on a new topic)

Jim Riley expressed his concerns about the “Move the Box” initiative on the hiring of felons. He would like to make sure that these felons are tracked and followed so that the general public is kept safe.

Chairman Mahoney acknowledged the following people who were in the audience: Deb Ackerman, Egelston Township Treasurer; Dave Kieft, Muskegon Charter Township Supervisor, Mike Thompson, Egelston Township Supervisor; Donald E. Studaven, Blue Lake Township Supervisor; and Terri Sabo, Muskegon County Road Commission.

Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk

NAW:mlw

Approved at the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 24, 2012