Muskegon County

Board of Commissioners

Kenneth Mahoney, Chairman
Charles Buzzell
Lew Collins
James Derezinski
Marvin Engle
Bill Gill
Charles Nash, Vice-Chairman
Louis A. McMurray
Robert Scolnik
I. John Snider
Roger C. Wade

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Special Board Meeting **February 16, 2009**
9:02 A.M.

Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Presiding

The Special Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, held at the Louis McMurray Transit Center, was called to order by Chairman Mahoney. The invocation was given by Chairman Mahoney followed by the pledge of Allegiance recited in unison.

Roll Call

Present: Buzzell, Collins, Derezinski, Engle, Gill, Mahoney, Nash, Scolnik, Snider

Expected: McMurray

Excused: Wade

Absent: None

Also Present: Interim County Administrator Jim Elwell; Corporate Counsel Ted Williams; County Clerk Nancy A. Waters; G. Steven Bernard - The PAR Group, LLC; Human Resources Director Deborah Groeneveld, MSU Extension Director Mary Robb; Circuit Court Administrator Patricia Steele; Register of Probate Kathy Hoogstra; Mary Villanueva, Board/Equal Opportunity Liaison; Paul Billings of WUVS Radio

Mr. Bernard informed Commissioners that, due to weather related problems, David Cannon who was scheduled to interview on Tuesday canceled his interview. He noted Mr. Cannon stated he was very interested in the position but would understand if Commissioners chose to remove him from the list.

Mr. Bernard briefed Commissioners that a list of 22 questions was provided to be asked of all candidates. Commissioners determined each would ask a couple of the provided questions. An hour and a half has been allotted for each candidate. Corporate Counsel Williams provided a list of questions that cannot be asked of the candidates. It was noted that due diligence background checks have been done on all candidates and no concerns have developed. It was also noted that the Myer-Briggs inventory was also conducted and reports should be available by the end of the day.

Mr. Bernard introduced Wayman P. Britt. Chairman Mahoney introduced Commissioners. Chairman Mahoney began the interview. Commissioners proceeded to interview Mr. Britt asking the provided questions.

Commissioner McMurray arrived during Mr. Britt's interview.

Following their questions, Mr. Britt was given an opportunity to ask questions of Commissioners.

There was a brief break between interviews.

At 10:29 a.m. Mr. Bernard introduced Kevin Ricco. Again, beginning with Chairman Mahoney, Commissioners interviewed Mr. Ricco and gave him an opportunity to question Commissioners.

Recessed for lunch at 11:20 a.m.

Reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

It was noted that Mr. Nash had another meeting to attend but would be returning.

Mr. Bernard introduced Charles Londo. Beginning with Chairman Mahoney, Commissioner interviews Mr. Londo giving him an opportunity to question Commissioners. Commissioner Nash returned at 1:08 p.m. Mr. Londo's interview concluded at 1:47 p.m.

At 2:00 p.m., Mr. Bernard introduced Bonnie Hammersley. Chairman Mahoney commenced the interview followed by other Commissioners asking the remaining of the pre-determined 22 questions. Following the Commissioners' questions, Ms. Hammersley was given an opportunity to question Commissioners. Ms. Hammersly's interview concluded at 3:22 p.m.

Old Business

Discussion ensued considering the interview of Mr. Cannon. Mr. Bernard was asked to try to contact Mr. Cannon and see when or if he would be available to interview.

New Business

None.

Public Participation

None.

2009-92 **RECESS UNTIL TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2009, AT 3:30 P.M.**

Moved by Snider, seconded by Collins, to recess until Tuesday, February 17, 2009, at 3:30 p.m. to give Mr. Bernard a chance to contact Mr. Cannon.

Roll Call
Ayes: Buzzell, Collins, Derezinski, Mahoney, Scolnik, Snider

Nays: Engle, Gill, Nash

Motion Carried

Meeting recessed at 3:43 p.m.

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Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk

NAW/jmp