

*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

**February 28, 2012
3:30 P.M.**

Chairman Kenneth Mahoney, Presiding

The Full Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman 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.

2012-71 **APPROVE AGENDA**

Moved by Engle, seconded by Cross, to approve the agenda

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

2012-72 **APPROVE FULL BOARD MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 14, 2012**

Moved by Engle, seconded by Collins, to approve the Full Board Minutes of February 14, 2012.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

PUBLIC HEARING

2012-73 **PUBLIC HEARING - ACCEPT CITIZEN COMMENTS ON THE
RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR THE HUD LEAD GRANT.**

Moved by Engle, seconded by Snider, to open the Public Hearing regarding Citizen Comments on the Release of funds for the HUD Lead Grant.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

It was noted that neither the County Clerk's office nor Administration received any written or verbal communication regarding the Citizen Comments on the Release of Funds for the HUD Lead Grant.

2012-74 Moved by Snider, seconded by Engle, to close the Public Hearing.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

2012-75 **PUBLIC HEARING - ACCEPT CITIZEN COMMENTS ON THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

Moved by Snider, seconded by Wilkins, to open the Public Hearing regarding Citizen Comments on the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

It was noted that neither the County Clerk's office nor Administration received any written or verbal communication regarding the Citizen Comments on the Community Development Block Grant Program.

2012-76 Moved by Snider, seconded by Engle, to close the Public Hearing.

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

PRESENTATION

Mr. Roger Morgenstern, Consumers Energy Smart Grid Communications Coordinator, explained how Consumers Energy will be installing approximately 60,000 smart electric meters in Muskegon and Ottawa Counties between August and December of 2012. Smart meters enable safe, secure two-way communication between Consumers Energy and their customers. New programs for saving energy will be offered to the customers in 2013.

PUBLIC COMMENT (on an agenda item)

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Scolnik stated the Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee was cancelled for February 16, 2012 so there is no report.

2012-77 **APPROVE THE MUSKEGON AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM'S APPLICATION FOR \$1,350,000 IN CAPITAL FUNDS FROM THE 2012 NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS (TIGER) PROGRAM FOR THREE HEAVY-DUTY COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS BUSES TO BE UTILIZED IN RURAL TRANSIT SERVICES IN MUSKEGON COUNTY.**

TR12/02-05 The Transportation Committee recommends, moved by Wilkins, seconded by Collins, to approve the Muskegon Area Transit System's application for \$1,350,000 in capital funds from the 2012 National Infrastructure Investments (Tiger) Program for three heavy-duty compressed natural gas buses to be utilized in rural transit services in Muskegon County.

Discussion followed.

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

2012-78 **APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF \$6,843,117.35 COVERING THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 28, 2012 THROUGH FEBRUARY 14, 2012, AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

WM12/02 - 14 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to approve payment of the accounts payable of \$6,843,117.35 covering the period of January 28, 2012 through February 14, 2012, 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

2012-79 **AUTHORIZE STAFF TO APPLY FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,000 WITH A MATCH OF \$11,250 AND TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON MARCH 13, 2012 TO SOLICIT PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE PROJECT AND TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING THE FUNDS.**

WM12/02 - 15 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to authorize staff to apply for funding in the amount of \$45,000 with a match of \$11,250 and to hold a public hearing on March 13, 2012 to solicit public comments on the project and to adopt a resolution from the County Board of Commissioners requesting the 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

2012-80 **AUTHORIZE STAFF TO APPLY FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 FROM THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND WITH A MATCH OF \$25,000 AND TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON MARCH 13, 2012 TO SOLICIT PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE PROJECT AND TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING THE FUNDS**

WM12/02 - 16 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to authorize staff to apply for funding in the amount of \$50,000 from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Land and Water Conservation Fund with a match of \$25,000 and to hold a public hearing on March 13, 2012 to solicit public comments on the project and to adopt a resolution from the County Board of Commissioners requesting the 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

2012-81 **AUTHORIZE STAFF TO APPLY FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 FROM THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND WITH A MATCH OF \$12,500 AND TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON MARCH 13, 2012 TO SOLICIT PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE PROJECT AND TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING THE FUNDS**

WM12/02 - 17 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to authorize staff to apply for funding in the amount of \$50,000 from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund with a match of \$12,500 and to hold a public hearing on March 13, 2012 to solicit public comments on the project and to adopt a resolution from the County Board of Commissioners requesting the 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

2012-82 **ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL BY FARM AND HOME PUBLISHERS TO PRODUCE A 2012 MUSKEGON COUNTY PLAT BOOK AS WELL AS A SECOND (2ND) EDITION AFTER EITHER 800 BOOKS ARE SOLD OR AFTER THREE (3) YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE THE PUBLISHING OF THE FIRST (1ST) EDITION, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST, UNDER THE TERMS OUTLINED IN THE PROPOSAL AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MUSKEGON COUNTY EQUALIZATION DEPARTMENT TO TRANSMIT DATA, COORDINATE, AND SELL PLAT BOOKS FOLLOWING PRODUCTION**

WM12/02 - 18 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to accept the proposal by Farm and Home Publishers to produce a 2012 Muskegon County Plat Book as well as a second (2nd) edition after either 800 books are sold or after three (3) years have passed since the publishing of the first (1st) edition, whichever occurs first, under the terms outlined in the proposal and to authorize the Muskegon County Equalization Department to transmit data, coordinate, and sell Plat Books following production.

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

2012-83 **APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF THE MERS' EMPLOYER RESOLUTION UNIFORM TRANSFER PROVISION, EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2012, AND AUTHORIZE THE HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR TO SIGN SUCH RESOLUTION WITH MERS**

WM12/02 - 19 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to approve the adoption of the MERS' Employer Resolution Uniform Transfer Provision, effective March 1, 2012, and authorize the Human Resources Director to sign such resolution with MERS.

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

2012-84 **APPROVE BULLETIN #5 TO THE CMH CLUBHOUSE PROJECT (RFB-11-1867) FOR AN INCREASE TO THE PROJECT COST OF \$53,256 BRINGING THE TOTAL PROJECT COST TO \$415,908 WITH THE COST BEING PAID FROM FUND 4140**

WM12/02 - 20 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to approve Bulletin #5 to the CMH Clubhouse project (RFB-11-1867) for an increase to the project cost of \$53,256 bringing the total project cost to \$415,908 with the cost being paid from fund 4140.

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

2012-85 **AUTHORIZE THE ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE COUNTY OF MUSKEGON TO BORROW UP TO TWELVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$12,000,000) AGAINST ANTICIPATED 2011 DELINQUENT TAXES.**

WM12/02 - 21 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to authorize the adoption of the resolution allowing the County of Muskegon to borrow up to twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000) against anticipated 2011 delinquent taxes.

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

2012-86 **WAIVE THE HIRING FREEZE AND IMMEDIATELY RECRUIT TO FILL POSITION GO2001 (TREASURERS OFFICE ACCOUNT CLERK II FULL TIME) TO ADEQUATELY TRAIN FOR THE POSITION GO2003 (TREASURER'S OFFICE ACCOUNT CLERK II FULL TIME) UPON THE EMINENT RETIREMENT GO2003 EFFECTIVE 4/30/12. AS OF MAY 1ST, POSITION GO2003 WILL BE LEFT VACANT OR UNFUNDED UNTIL FURTHER ACTION IS NEEDED**

WM12/02 - 22 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to waive the hiring freeze and immediately recruit to fill position GO2001 (Treasurers Office Account Clerk II Full Time) to adequately train for the position GO2003 (Treasurer's Office Account Clerk II Full Time) upon the eminent retirement GO2003 effective 4/30/12. As of May 1st, position GO2003 will be left vacant or unfunded until further action is needed.

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

2012-87 **DIRECT STAFF TO RENEGOTIATE PROPERTY ACQUISITION**

WM12/02 - 23 The Ways & Means Committee recommends, moved by Collins, seconded by Engle, to direct staff to renegotiate property acquisition.

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

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Mahoney recommended that the Board adopt National County Government Month, April 2012, "Healthy Counties, Healthy Families". The Board concurred.

Chairman Mahoney recommended that the Board make the following Citizen Appointment:

Community Corrections Advisory Board: term 12/31/14
- J. Christopher Wilson/Public Defender

2012-88 **MOVED BY SNIDER, SECONDED BY LONGMIRE, THAT THE BOARD MAKE THE FOLLOWING CITIZEN APPOINTMENT**

Community Corrections Advisory Board: term 12/31/14
- J. Christopher Wilson/Public Defender

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Chairman Mahoney recommended that the Board make the following Citizens Appointments:

Solid Waste Planning Committee: term 12/31/13
a. Cathy Brubaker-Clark/Planning
b. Mohammed Al Shatel/City

2012-89 **MOVED BY DEREZENSKI, SECONDED BY ENGLE, THAT THE BOARD MAKE THE FOLLOWING CITIZEN APPOINTMENT**

Solid Waste Planning Committee: term 12/31/13
a. Cathy Brubaker-Clark/Planning
b. Mohammed Al Shatel/City

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Chairman Mahoney recommended that the Board make the following Citizen Appointment:

White River Zoning Board: term 12/31/14
- Sam St. Amour

2012-90 **MOVED BY ENGLE, SECONDED BY SCOLNICK, THAT THE BOARD MAKE THE FOLLOWING CITIZEN APPOINTMENT**

White River Zoning Board: term 12/31/14
- Sam St. Amour

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Commissioner Snider attended the WEMET meeting and stated that the additional funding has been secured for WEMET for the next year.

Commissioner Snider also attended the Community Corrections Advisory Board and was informed that the targets are being met and contract and funding will be secured thanks to Sheriff Roesler, Prosecutor Tague, and the judges.

Commission Engel shared the Road Commission Winter Update. They are spending less so hopefully they will be able to do more road repairs this summer.

Commissioner Cross attended the Muskegon Area District Library meeting. They are just putting out bids to renovate a building which was recently purchased for the District Library. Adult illiteracy is very high and they are working with "READ Muskegon". Also, they are working with the Muskegon Heights Public Schools, as well as Holton Public Schools, to urge students to use the district libraries in their communities.

Chairman Mahoney plans to set up site visits to area manufacturing facilities.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

2012-91

APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR CORPORATE COUNSEL SERVICES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2012 AND THAT THE CHAIRMAN BE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT

The Administrator recommends, moved by Derezinski, seconded by Cross, for approval of the Contract for Corporate Counsel Services for the calendar year 2012 and that the Chairman be authorized to execute the Contract.

Discussion followed regarding the conflict of interest clause.

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

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT (on a new topic)

Nell Schaefer addressed the Board regarding her concerns for the new jail and asked when are meetings going to be held and how will the public be able to participate.

Ryan Bennett of West Michigan Plumbers and Pipefitters Union introduced himself and shared information about his union's community involvement. He also commended the Board for using local contractors.

2012-92 **MOVED BY ENGLE, SECONDED BY CROSS, TO ADJOURN.**

Voice vote.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 4:06 P.M.

Nancy A. Waters
County Clerk

NAW:mlw

Approved at the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2012



Consumers Energy's 2012-13 Smart Meter Installation at a Glance

- Beginning with the smart meter, the smart grid is the latest of Consumers Energy's many investments to afford our customers more control, more choices and more simplicity in saving energy and money.
- Between August 20 and December 31, Consumers Energy will install approximately 60,000 smart meters in portions of Muskegon and northern Ottawa counties.
- During 2013, we will complete meter installation in Muskegon and Ottawa counties, move to Allegan County and begin work in Kent County, totaling more than 200,000 meters. Installation of all 1.8 million electric meters will be complete by the end of 2019.
- Corix Utilities, an experienced meter installation vendor, is performing the majority of the installations as our authorized contractor.
- The General Electric smart meters are provided by SmartSynch, which uses existing cellular telephone networks to transmit data securely from the meter to Consumers Energy. Smart meters enable safe, secure two-way communication between Consumers Energy and our customers, connecting how and when you use energy to associated costs. You'll be able to use technology to see how much energy you're using, how much you're paying for it, and how much you could be saving by altering your energy-use patterns.
- Consumers Energy is committed to proactive communications with its customers and communities as we move through the meter installation process and the launch of future customer programs enabled by these meters.
- In addition to several written communications mailed to customer's homes and businesses, as we move closer to meter deployment, updated information will be added to our website, www.consumersenergy.com/smartgrid. Other websites of interest include the U.S. government's site, www.smartgrid.gov and the smart grid section within the Michigan Public Service Commission's site, www.mpsc.org.

For more information, contact Smart Grid Communications Coordinator Roger Morgenstern at 517-788-0091 or via e-mail at rmorgenstern@cmsenergy.com



**MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT**
Through January 31, 2012

2011 - 2012 WINTER SEASON TO DATE:

39.50 inches	SNOW	
5,461.41 tons	SALT	\$307,149.70 (\$56.24 Avg.)
2,938.16 tons	SAND	\$ 31,173.68 (\$10.61 Avg.)
TOTAL		\$338,323.58

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2010 - 2011 WINTER SEASON TO DATE:

68.00 inches	SNOW	
12,867.69 tons	SALT	\$705,149.41 (\$54.80 Avg.)
5,680.79 tons	SAND	\$ 68,964.79 (\$12.14 Avg.)
TOTAL		\$774,114.20

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2009 - 2010 WINTER SEASON TO DATE:

48.00 inches	SNOW	
7,460.32 tons	SALT	\$372,792.19 (\$49.87 Avg.)
4,612.15 tons	SAND	\$ 52,947.48 (\$11.48 Avg.)
TOTAL		\$425,739.67

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