

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

*Benjamin E. Cross  
Marvin Engle  
Susie Hughes  
Kenneth Mahoney, Chair  
Charles Nash*

*Terry Sabo  
Robert Scolnik  
Rillastine R. Wilkins, Vice Chair  
District 7 - Vacant*

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**Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, June 24, 2014  
4:00 p.m.

Chairman Mahoney, Presiding

The Full Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Mahoney. The invocation was given by Chairman Mahoney. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hughes and recited in unison.

**Roll Call**

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk,  
Jeanne Pezet, Deputy County Clerk,  
Doug Hughes, Corporate Counsel

2014-230 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA WITH ADDITION TO CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Moved by Commissioner Cross, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the agenda with an addition to the Chairman's Report of an appointment to the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC).

Voice vote

**Motion Carried**

2014-231 **APPROVE MINUTES OF TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2014**

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to approve the minutes of Tuesday, June 10, 2014.

Voice vote

**Motion Carried**

**PUBLIC COMMENT (ON AN AGENDA ITEM)**

Chairman Mahoney invited 60<sup>th</sup> District Court Chief Judge Maria Ladas Hoopes to introduce the new District Court Administrator. Chief Judge Ladas Hoopes introduced Kathy Howard, new District Court Administrator, listing her many years of experience in District Court and District Court Administration on the East side of the state.

Commissioner Sabo noted that even though it was District Court Administrator Howard's first day on the job yesterday, she was able to find her way to the Community Corrections Advisory Board Meeting.

Commissioner Scolnik noted Judge Ladas Hoopes recently received an honor from MSU naming a leadership scholarship after her. Find additional information about this scholarship at: <https://spartanpartners.msu.edu/applications-for-asmsus-scholarship-for-leaders/>

There was no public comment on an agenda item.

**COMMUNICATION**

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to receive and place on file the following communication items:

- A. Barry County Resolution: National Anthem of the United State of America
- B. Oceana County Resolution: Supporting Local Community Stabilization and Personal Property Tax Reform Without Raising Taxes

Voice vote

**Motion Carried**

**COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

2014-232 **APPROVE THE RENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MUSKEGON AND HI-FALUTIN' MUSIC FOR HERITAGE LANDING RENTAL FOR THE SHORELINE JAZZ FESTIVAL, AUGUST 23 & 24, 2014, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD SIGN AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT**

CD/SP14/06-08

The Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to approve the rental agreement between the County of Muskegon and Hi-Falutin' Music for Heritage Landing rental for the Shoreline Jazz Festival, August 23 & 24, 2014, and authorize the Chairman of the Board sign and execute the agreement.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-233 **ALLOW THE MUSKEGON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS BOARD, IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE FRUITPORT EAGLE RIDERS, TO OPERATE AN ENTERTAINMENT AND BEVERAGE TENT ON FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2014, DURING THE MUSKEGON COUNTY YOUTH FAIR**

CD/SP14-06-09

The Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to allow the Muskegon County Fairgrounds Board, in association with the Fruitport Eagle Riders, to operate an entertainment and beverage tent on Friday, July 25, 2014, during the Muskegon County Youth Fair.

Commissioner Sabo expressed concern about this action at a youth event, especially when alcohol is not allowed on the camp grounds during this event.

Commissioner Hughes noted she had been contacted by her constituents with similar concerns.

Roll Call

Yes: Benjamin Cross, Marvin Engle, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Kenneth Mahoney

No: Susie Hughes, Terry Sabo

**Motion Carried**

2014-234 **APPROVE THE ASSIGNMENT OF ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH ERDMAN RECYCLING, LLC, THE WARRANTY DEED WITH WHITE LAKE AREA SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, THE TERMINATION OF EASEMENT WITH ERDMAN HOLDINGS, LLC, AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN SAME, CONTINGENT ON WHITE LAKE AREA SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY'S FINAL APPROVAL**

BPW-14-056

The Board of Public Works recommends, moved by Commissioner Sabo, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the Assignment of Escrow Agreement with Erdman Recycling, LLC, the Warranty Deed with White Lake Area Solid Waste Authority, the Termination of Easement with Erdman Holdings, LLC, and authorize Chair to sign same, contingent on White Lake Area Solid Waste Authority's final approval.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-235 **AUTHORIZE THE MUSKEGON AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM TO FINALIZE AND ENTER A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PARKLAND MUSKEGON, INC. TO LEASE SPACE AT 396 W. CLAY AVENUE, MUSKEGON, MI FOR USE AS A TEMPORARY TRANSIT CENTER, TO BE FUNDED BY THE MATS FUND RESERVES OR WITH FEDERAL AND STATE ASSISTANCE IF AVAILABLE**

TR14/06-18

The Transportation Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Sabo, to authorize the Muskegon Area Transit System to finalize and enter a lease agreement with Parkland Muskegon, Inc. to lease space at 396 W. Clay Avenue, Muskegon, MI for use as a temporary transit center, to be funded by the MATS fund reserves or with Federal and State Assistance if available.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-236 **AUTHORIZE THE MUSKEGON AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM TO PUBLISH THE PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE AMENDED FEDERAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL APPLICATION AND TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO EXECUTE THE ELECTRONIC GRANT APPLICATION IF THERE IS NO REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

TR14/06-19

The Transportation Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Sabo, to authorize the Muskegon Area Transit System to publish the public notice regarding the amended Federal Operating and Capital application and to authorize staff to execute the electronic grant application if there is no request for public hearing.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-237 **APPROVE TERMINATING ENTERPRISE HOLDINGS' CONCESSION AND SERVICE FACILITY AGREEMENTS, WITH ENTERPRISE HOLDINGS PAYING A \$20,972.40 SETTLEMENT TO THE COUNTY**

TR14/06-20

The Transportation Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Sabo, to approve terminating Enterprise Holdings' Concession and Service Facility Agreements, with Enterprise Holdings paying a \$20,972.40 settlement to the County.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-238 **APPROVE ISSUING A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AIRPORT RENTAL CAR CONCESSIONAIRE**

TR14/06-21

The Transportation Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Sabo, to approve issuing a Request for Proposals for Airport Rental Car Concessionaire.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-239 **APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF \$3,622,410.74 COVERING THE PERIOD OF MAY 24, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 6, 2014 AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

WM14/06-64

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve payment of the accounts payable of \$3,622,410.74 covering the period of May 24, 2014 through June 6, 2014 as presented by the County Clerk.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-240 **APPROVE THE COUNTY OF MUSKEGON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR BE APPOINTED TO THE MUSKEGON AREA FIRST BOARD AS THE COUNTY OF MUSKEGON APPOINTMENT, PER THE MUSKEGON AREA FIRST BYLAWS: EFFECTIVE JUNE, 2014**

WM14/06-65

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the County of Muskegon Economic Development Coordinator be appointed to the Muskegon Area First Board as the County of Muskegon appointment, per the Muskegon Area First bylaws: effective June, 2014.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-241 **APPROVE THE MERCHANT AND PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS BETWEEN MUSKEGON COUNTY AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENT SERVICE, INC.**

WM14/06-66

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the Merchant and Participation Agreements between Muskegon County and Government Payment Service, Inc.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-242 **APPROVE RENEWAL OF ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES BY THE EQUALIZATION DEPARTMENT TO THE TOWNSHIP OF EGELSTON AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT PREPARED BY THE EQUALIZATION DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES**

WM14/06-67

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve renewal of Assessment Administration Services by the Equalization Department to the Township of Egelston and authorize the Chair of the County Board of Commissioners to execute an agreement prepared by the Equalization Department to provide the services.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-243 **APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF MUSKEGON FOR THE MUSKEGON COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE THE HUMAN RESOURCES FUNCTION FOR THE CITY OF MUSKEGON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR, STARTING JULY 1, 2014, AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD CHAIR AND COUNTY CLERK TO SIGN THE CONTRACT**

WM14/06-68

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve a contract with the City of Muskegon for the Muskegon County Human Resources Department to provide the human resources function for the City of Muskegon in the amount of \$75,000 for a period of one (1) year, starting July 1, 2014, and authorize the Board Chair and County Clerk to sign the contract.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-244 **APPROVE THE DATA/TELECOMMUNICATIONS HOSTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN MUSKEGON COUNTY AND WEST MICHIGAN SHORELINE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

WM14/06-69

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the Data/Telecommunications Hosting Agreement between Muskegon County and West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-245 **APPROVE A TRIBUTE HONORING MR. DAVE SIPKA, SUPERINTENDENT OF MUSKEGON AREA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, UPON HIS RETIREMENT**

WM14/06-70

The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve a Tribute honoring Mr. Dave Sipka, Superintendent of Muskegon Area Intermediate School District, upon his retirement.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT/COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS**

Chairman Mahoney thanked all those who were interested in helping the County out by being Interim County Administrator. He further stated that there is a lot of talent in Muskegon County and any of the applicants who applied would have done well in this position.

2014-246 **APPOINT HEATH KAPLAN AS INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

The Chairman recommends, seconded by Commissioner Engle, to appoint Heath Kaplan as Interim County Administrator.

Roll Call

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

No: None

**Motion Carried**

2014-247 **APPOINT COMMISSIONER HUGHES AS CHAIR TO THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2014**

The Chairman recommends, moved by Commissioner Sabo, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to appoint Commissioner Hughes as Chair to the Ways and Means Committee through December 31, 2014.

Voice vote **Motion Carried**

2014-248 **APPOINT COMMISSIONER HUGHES TO THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TERM ENDING 12/31/2014**

The Chairman recommends, moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Sabo, to appoint Commissioner Hughes to the Veterans Advisory Committee, term ending 12/31/2014.

Voice vote **Motion Carried**

Chairman Mahoney noted there will be a second Expungement Clinic, Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Muskegon County Training Center (133 E. Apple Avenue), 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and hope to have as good a turnout as the previous event. This is an opportunity to help eligible residents of Muskegon County to get rid of a felony conviction which may allow them to do many things employment wise and in other areas.

2014-249 **APPROVE THE PROPERTY TAX REFORM RESOLUTION**

The Chairman recommends, moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to approve the Property Tax Reform Resolution. (See attached.)

Chairman Mahoney noted if this ballot question does not pass, some sort of Personal Property Tax reform will be coming from the State without any replacement income. Currently 40% of the City of Whitehall's budget comes from Personal Property Tax, and it will be devastating to them and other communities as well.

Voice vote **Motion Carried**

Chairman Mahoney invited everyone to Brookhaven Medical Care Facility's 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., at Apple Avenue.



2014-250 **APPROVE THE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CASINO IN MUSKEGON COUNTY**

The Chairman recommends, moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to approve the Resolution in support of Casino in Muskegon County. (See attached.)

Commissioner Scolnik noted a date needs to be added to this resolution if it is the final.

Voice vote

**Motion Carried**

2014-251 **APPOINT COMMISSIONER SABO TO THE WEST MICHIGAN SHORELINE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (WMSRDC) WITH A TERM ENDING 12/31/2014**

The Chairman recommends, moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Cross, to appoint Commissioner Sabo to the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC) with a term ending 12/31/2014.

Voice vote

**Motion Carried**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner Hughes reported that the Public Health Department Family Fun Day last Saturday had a great turnout.

Vice Chair Wilkins noted she and Chairman Mahoney rode in the Muskegon Heights Festival Parade and the festival was successful, a great day was had by all.

Commissioner Nash noted an appointment will be needed to fill the vacancy on the LLC Board since I. John Snider II is the Chair of the Regional Board, thus creating a vacancy.

Commissioner Nash also noted the Brookhaven Ice Cream Social is an annual event and it would be great to get some sponsorship. Commissioner Hughes noted they do have some sponsorship and last year, she and Commissioner Sabo were scooping ice cream. Commissioner Wilkins noted she was dancing with residents at last year's event.

Commissioner Hughes invited everyone to the Wastewater facility this weekend at noon where they will be having the Radio Controlled Airplanes and Rocket Club mentoring programs.

Commissioner Hughes noted the Foster Parents Program will be hosting a picnic this Saturday and asked Manda Mitteer to present information about this event during public comment. All Commissioners are invited to attend.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Scolnik noted that the Customer Service Committee discussed placing a 4' X 8' sign at the entrance to the Pine Street parking lot showing what services are in the Hall of Justice and what services are on South Campus. Discussion ensued. Interim County Administrator Kaplan noted he will take care of this issue.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Manda Mitteer, Attorney with the Family Division of the Public Defender Department, noted DHS and local licensing agents will be hosting a Foster Parent's Program picnic at Kruse Park this Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, from noon to 2 p.m.

Commissioner Nash requested the Director of the Public Defender's department to send an email invitation to this event to Commissioners.

Commissioner Nash also asked Attorney Mitteer to ask the Director of the Public Defender Department to present a general update on the Department's activities since they are doing so many things.

Gary Foster introduced himself to the Board as a candidate for the County Commissioner District 7 vacancy.

Heath Kaplan, Interim County Administrator, thanked the Commissioners for their support and confidence in selecting him as the Interim County Administrator. Mr. Kaplan also thanked elected officials, especially Treasurer Moulatsiotis, as well as Department Directors and Court Administrators for their support.

Commissioner Sabo noted he will be throwing out the first pitch at 7 p.m. at the Muskegon Clipper's baseball game at Marsh Field. Commissioner Sabo noted Commissioner Scolnik got to throw out the first pitch at the Whitecaps game.

2014-252      **MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 4:29 P.M.**

Moved by Commissioner Cross, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to adjourn at 4:39 p.m.

Voice vote

**Motion Carried**

Meeting adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

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Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk

NAW/jp

Preliminary Minutes  
To be approved at the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, July 15, 2014

# Muskegon County Board of Commissioners

## A Resolution Supporting Local Community Stabilization and Personal Property Tax Reform Without Raising Taxes

WHEREAS, local governments in Michigan have struggled with unstable funding needed to provide services; and

WHEREAS, Michigan businesses have struggled with an uncompetitive tax on business; and

WHEREAS, no other state in our region taxes business equipment the way Michigan does – and most of those states don't tax it at all, which makes Michigan significantly less competitive when it comes to job creation and business investment; and

WHEREAS, Michigan communities have struggled for years to pay for essential services like police, fire, schools and jails; and

WHEREAS, Michigan communities have relief on this shrinking source of Personal Property Tax revenue to provide other community services as well, including roads, transportation and libraries; and

WHEREAS, with bipartisan support, the Michigan Legislature has voted to reform the antiquated Personal Property Tax to help increase Michigan's competitiveness with other states and remove an onerous tax that will allow more business investment and create more jobs while providing a stable revenue source for local communities; and

WHEREAS, this is not a constitutional amendment but the state constitution requires Michigan votes to approve certain changes in local taxes; and

WHEREAS, the proposal will make Michigan more competitive, which will help local communities to attract more businesses and talent and create local jobs; and

WHEREAS, the proposal is supported by the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Townships Association, Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, Michigan Association of Police Organizations, Michigan Community College Association, Michigan Farm Bureau, the Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Sheriffs Association, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Independent Businesses and the Michigan Manufacturers Association, among others; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the County of Muskegon hereby expresses its strong support for the proposal to reform personal property tax and strengthen our communities. We urge our residents to vote YES on this proposal on August 5, 2014.

The Muskegon County Board of Commissioners, at its June 24, 2014, meeting unanimously recommended approval, moved by Commissioner Hughes, supported by Commissioner Wilkins, of the aforementioned resolution.

I, Nancy A. Waters, Clerk of the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners and Clerk of the County of Muskegon, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by said Board on Tuesday, June 24, 2014.

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Nancy A. Waters, Clerk  
County of Muskegon



**RESOLUTION 2014-250  
IN SUPPORT OF A CLASS III CASINO OPERATION  
TO THE LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS WITHIN THE  
COUNTY OF MUSKEGON**

WHEREAS, the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners is in full support of a class III casino operation to be located in Fruitport Township and operated by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

WHEREAS, support from the local unit of Government will assist the Little River Band in its pursuit of a class III casino operation within Fruitport Township, and the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners believe such support to be beneficial and in the best interest of the County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Interior has already ruled elimination of a requirement that tribal casinos be located within a reasonable drive from the tribe's reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners recommends that the Little River Band be granted approval for an amendment to the compact it currently has for operating the Manistee casino; and

WHEREAS, the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners believes that the opening of a casino in Muskegon County will have a positive economic impact on not only the local economy, but nearby counties as well;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners hereby support the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in its pursuit of a class III casino operation within the township of Fruitport,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners hereby requests the support of Governor Rick Snyder, Senator Geoff Hansen and Representatives Collene Lamonte and Marcia Hovey-Wright in moving forward with the process involved to grant a class III casino operation to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians within the County of Muskegon in the most expedient manner.



The Muskegon County Board of Commissioners, at its June 24, 2014, meeting unanimously recommended approval, moved by Commissioner Hughes, support by Commissioner Cross, of the aforementioned resolution.

I, Nancy A. Waters, Clerk of the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners and Clerk of the County of Muskegon, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by said Board on Tuesday, June 24, 2014.

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Nancy A. Waters, Clerk  
County of Muskegon