

MONTCALM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

1:00 PM

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Carr at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Curt Mudgett the Trinity Evangelical Church in Stanton offered invocation.

Members present at roll call: Commissioners Walker, Lindeman, Retzloff, Johansen, Paepke, Baker, Carr, Caris and McCrackin. Members absent at roll call: None.

Others present: Kristen Millard, Jack Johnson Jr., Mike Urbanski, Jeanne Urbanski, Bunny Bode, Sandy Carlton, Ryan Jeltema and Chris Hyzer.

Moved by Commissioner McCrackin, supported by Commissioner Caris to approve the May 12, 2008, regular meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to approve the agenda with the following changes: Removal of the 1:15 agenda item; the addition of #3 under New Business entitled *MAC Summer Conference* and #4 entitled *Scouts*. Motion carried.

Public comments were offered and none were given.

Chris Hyzer provided the board with an Eagle Scout Resolution for Adam C. Phillips. Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Paepke to approve and adopt **RESOLUTION 2008-13**:

WHEREAS, Adam C. Phillips became a Bobcat on December 1, 1999, AND;

WHEREAS, Adam C. Phillips earned the rank of First Class on July 10, 2005, AND;

WHEREAS, Adam C. Phillips progressed through the ranks of the Boy Scouts and received the rank of Life on January 29, 2007, AND;

WHEREAS, Adam C. Phillips continued his active role in the Boy Scouts and reached the rank of Eagle Scout on March 29, 2008, AND;

WHEREAS, Adam C. Phillips had to earn a total of 21 merit badges to reach the highest rank in Boy Scouts, Eagle, AND;

WHEREAS, Adam C. Phillips earned the following 24 merit badges:

Archery	Fingerprinting
Art	Fire Safety
Camping	First Aid
Canoeing	Hiking
Citizenship in the Community	Indian Lore
Citizenship in the Nation	Leatherwork
Citizenship in the World	Metalwork
Climbing	Personal Fitness
Communications	Personal Management
Emergency Preparedness	Plumbing
Environmental Science	Rowing
Family Life	Wood Carving, AND;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montcalm County Board of Commissioners commends and honors Adam C. Phillips for his notable accomplishment.

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to approve consent agenda items 2 through 5 and move stated action:

Scott Minard	Dodge Report, March 2008	Place on file
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Carl Paepke	Solid Waste Management Minutes, May 15, 2008	Place on file
Controller	MAXIMUS Consulting Agreement	Place on file

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Caris to place the May 12, 2008 Collective Bargaining Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to accept a sale price of \$50,000 for the Edmore Base due to the water not being drilled to the 2<sup>nd</sup> aquifer. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to authorize Chairman Carr to sign the abandonment letter in support of the City of Greenville to the Surface Transportation Board. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Lindeman to place the May 27, 2008 Economic Development and Physical Resources Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Baker to allow the County Treasurer to enter into a service agreement with PayGOV LLC to process debit/credit cards in her office. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Paepke to allow MSU Extension to refill the Accounting Systems Coordinator with an Administrative Aide beginning July 21, 2008 and allow OJ Wing to work up to 20 hours a week from June 9<sup>th</sup> until July 18<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Retzloff to allow the Director of Commission on Aging to advertise and hire a Confidential Administrative Assistant for 40 hours per week at an hourly wage consistent with the Confidential Administrative pay scale and make modifications to the job description. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Baker to allow the Equalization Director to fill the Tax Roll Specialist with a part time individual for a maximum of 24 hours per week. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Baker to approve the EMS ballot language with a tax rate of 0.75 mills:

#### MILLAGE PROPOSITION FOR AMBULANCE AND RESCUE SERVICES

This millage will allow the County of Montcalm, Michigan to continue to levy the previous voted increase in the constitutional tax rate limitation on general ad valorem taxes of 0.4959 mills and to levy an additional 0.2541 (including 0.0041 mills lost as a result of the "Headlee" reduction) to provide funds for the acquisition, maintenance and operation of ambulance and rescue services and equipment.

Shall the constitutional tax rate limitation on general ad valorem taxes within the County of Montcalm, Michigan, be increased by 0.75 mills (\$0.75 per \$1,000) on the taxable value of such property, subject to reduction as provided by law, for a period of four (4) years, 2009 through 2012, both inclusive, to provide funds for the acquisition, maintenance and operation of ambulance and rescue services and equipment within the County of Montcalm, Michigan (such increase is estimated to provide revenues of approximately \$1,137,730 in 2009 and includes a renewal of previously authorized millage in the amount of 0.4959 mills and a new additional millage of 0.2541 mills (including 0.0041 mills lost as a result of the "Headlee" reduction)?

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Paepke to approve the tuition reimbursement request for Dave Feldpausch in the amount of \$250. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Paepke to approve the Animal Control Director employment agreement with Patricia Lentz. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Paepke to approve warrant number 052708 in the amount of \$304,769.96. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Paepke to place the May 27, 2008 Finance and Personnel Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer presented the board with a proposed agreement with Dr. Banner. His term as Medical Examiner will run through December 31, 2010, and his fee per autopsy will be \$600 through the end of his term. Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Caris to approve the agreement with Dr. Banner and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign it. Motion carried.

Commissioner Retzloff asked the board for permission to attend the MAC Summer Conference in Frankenmuth, MI. Moved by Commissioner Paepke, supported by Commissioner Johansen to allow Commissioner Retzloff to attend the MAC Summer Conference at the Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, MI. Motion carried.

Commissioner Paepke addressed the board regarding many of the Eagle Scouts not being able to attend the Board of Commissioners meetings due to scheduling conflicts. He asked that in those cases the resolutions be sent to the Scout's home.

Moved by Commissioner Paepke, supported by Commissioner McCrackin to mail the Eagle Scout Resolutions to those scouts that are unable to attend the Board of Commissioners meetings. Motion carried.

Public comments were offered. Bunny Bode presented each commissioner with a copy of an article that has run in the Lakeview Area News regarding a dog that was found on 131 in Howard City and turned into the Montcalm County Animal Shelter. She also provided the board with photos of the animal's dog license.

Ms. Bode also addressed the Ambulance Millage that will be on the August Primary Election ballot and stated her support.

Sandy Carlton addressed the article that Ms. Bode passed out to the board members. She urged the board to read the article. She also stated that she feels that public confidence is being restored.

Jeanne Urbanski addressed the board and informed the board that she and her husband gave \$1,000 of their economic stimulus check to a rescue shelter so they could adopt 50 animals from the Montcalm County Animal Shelter. She reported that 49 of those animals were successfully adopted by families.

Moved by Commissioner Retzloff, supported by Commissioner Johansen to adjourn at 1:39 p.m. Motion carried.

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Kristen Millard, County Clerk

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Patrick Q. Carr, Chairman