

MONTCALM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Monday, September 11, 2006

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 Gene Kooi from the Entrican Bible Church offered invocation.

Members present at roll call: Commissioners Walker, Petersen, Johansen, Paepke, Baker, Carr, Caris and McCrackin. Members absent at roll call: Commissioner Retzlöff.

Others present: Kristen Millard, Chris Hyzer, and Shelly Strautz.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen, supported by Commissioner Johansen to approve the August 28, 2006, regular meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Petersen to approve the agenda with the addition of #3 under New Business entitled *Recognition of Lori Wilson*. Motion carried.

Public comments were offered and none were given.

Correspondence was received from Judge Donald R. Hemingsen regarding warrant entry procedures. Judge Hemingsen is not interested in his staff entering warrants into LEIN. Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Paepke to place the letter from Judge Hemingsen on file. Motion carried.

A draft 10 year plan to end homelessness in Ionia and Montcalm Counties was received from Vera Beech, Executive Director of RAVE. Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Caris to place the draft Ionia/Montcalm Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness on file. Motion carried.

Correspondence was received from the USDA regarding a proposed land adjustment project on the Manistee Ranger District on the Manistee National Forest. Written comments regarding the exchange proposal are due by October 14, 2006. Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Paepke to place the correspondence from the USDA on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Paepke to approve consent agenda items 4 through 10 and move stated action:

COA	Minutes of July 27, 2006	Place on file
Diane Murray	Purchase of Service Agreement	Place on file
Eight-CAP	Minutes of June 23, 2006	Place on file
Board of Health	Minutes of July 19, 2006 (Draft)	Place on file
Controller	AFSCME Agreement (General Employees)	Place on file
MAC	Single Business Tax Replacement	Place on file
Linda Bussell	Resignation from Ionia/Montcalm DHS Bd.	Place on file

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Baker, supported by Commissioner Paepke to approve additional correspondence items 1 through 8 and move stated action:

Dr. Banner (via Jerry McCoy)	Gift of Life Agreement	Place on file
Dispatch Authority	Minutes of August 3, 2006	Place on file
Dispatch Authority	Minutes of August 23, 2006	Place on file
Substance Abuse Council	Minutes/Notes of September 5, 2006	Place on file
Community Liaison Committee	Minutes of May 23, 2006	Place on file
Carson City Correctional Facility		
Building Department	Dodge Report, August 1 – 31, 2006	Place on file
Controller	Letter, Landmark Design Group	Place on file
Don Lehman	4-H Program Fees	Place on file

Motion carried.

At 1:15 p.m. John Waldron was in attendance. Commissioner Paepke presented him with a Resolution acknowledging his accomplishment of reaching Eagle Scout. John thanked the board for the recognition and also shared with them the project he headed up on the historic bridge located on the Fred Meijer Heartland Trail.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Baker to approve the bid from Medics P.C. to perform medical services for inmates at the jail with a contract cost of \$42,000.00 that runs from October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Paepke to approve warrant number 091106 in the amount of \$265,869.01, plus the additional payment of \$27,000 to CMET. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Paepke to place the September 11, 2006, Finance and Personnel Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Caris, supported by Commissioner Walker to enter into Public Hearing at 1:30 p.m. for the purpose of the Proposed 2007 budget. Motion carried.

Chris Hyzer explained the budget document as well as the summary memo he put together for the board. The adoption of the budget will take place at the September 25, 2006 Board meeting.

The public hearing was left open for comments from the public. Commissioner Caris informed the board that the Finance Committee has received a few written appeals from department heads that did not get everything they asked for in their budget. While the Finance Committee has decided to not take action on any of these appeals at this time, copies of the memo's will be made available to all commissioners if anyone would like to see them.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Walker to allow Dan Petersen, John McCrackin and John Berchtold attend the Entrepreneurship Seminar on October 26 through MSU with a total cost of \$180 and Ron Baker will be used as an alternate attendee. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Petersen to support the Montcalm Area Five Year Economic Development Work plan for submission and recommendation to MEDC. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Walker to place the September 11, 2006 Economic Development and Physical Resources Committee minutes on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Paepke to close the Public Hearing for the 2007 Budget at 1:58 p.m. Motion carried.

Commissioner Johansen addressed the board regarding recognition of Lori Wilson as Michigan Register of Deeds of the Year. Moved by Commissioner Johansen, supported by Commissioner Walker to request that John Berchtold draft a Resolution acknowledging Lori Wilson for receiving the 2006 Michigan Association of Register of Deeds Award. Motion carried.

Public comments were offered. Chairman Carr commended Chris Hyzer for his work on the 2007 budget and thanked him for the budget summary he put together. He also commended Finance Committee Chairman, Roger Caris, and the Finance Committee for their work on the 2007 budget.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen, supported by Commissioner Paepke to adjourn at 2:04 p.m. Motion carried.

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Kristen Millard, County Clerk

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Patrick Q. Carr, Chairman