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October 16, 2007

OCTOBER SESSION
October 16, 2007
2nd Day

The Isabella County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chairperson David A. Ling in the Commission Chambers on the above date.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson David A. Ling.

Roll was called with the following Commissioners present:

George Green, John Haupt, Roger Trudell, Christine Alwood, David Ling, and Frances Lichtman.

Commissioner Absent: Ron Roby.

Also present were: County Administrator/Controller Timothy Dolehanty; Prosecuting Attorney Larry Burdick; Isabella County Clerk Joyce A. Swan; Deputy Clerk Joanne Hillier.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Chairperson Ling asked if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda.

Additions/Deletions:

Under Presentation and Special Reports: Strike Resolution of Appreciation #2007-13 and address the Resolution at a later date.

Under Consent Agenda Items: None.

Under Finance and Administration: Delete Item #8. Under Item #4 Change the MERS Flexible Benefit "E" to 2.5 percent instead of 2.0 percent.

Commissioner Alwood requested to amend the Finance and Administration Committee by an addition to Item #6 and renumber items 6 and 7 to items 7 and 8. Make a motion to rescind the job description of the proposed 'Assistant to the County Administrator/Finance Director.'

Prosecuting Attorney Larry Burdick comments included a ruling on the twenty-four hour rule that would be in effect regarding amending a motion. All Commissioners would have to be in agreement in order to amend the Finance and Administration Committee agenda Item #6. Chairperson Ling asked if there were any objections to Commissioner Alwood's request. Commissioner Trudell stated he objected to amending the F&A Committee agenda Item #6. Item #6 under Finance and Administration Committee will remain on the agenda as presented.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA: (Continued)

Under Criminal Justice and County Affairs: None.

Under Human Resources and Public Works: Add Item #2 - Motion to approve the Drain Commissioners 2007 Annual Report.

Under Intergovernmental Affairs: None.

Under Unfinished Business: None.

Under New Business: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Haupt to approve the Agenda as amended.

Motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS: None.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

1. Isabella County Transportation Commission Appointment:

It was moved by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Alwood to extend an appointment term on the Isabella County Transportation Commission for Gerald Stryeski from Decenber 31, 2008 to December 31, 2009 as reflected in Resolution #2007-05.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Veterans' Affairs Commission Appointment:

It was moved by Commissioner Haupt, seconded by Commissioner Green to extend an appointment term on the Veterans Affairs Commission for Stanley O. Curtiss from March 31, 2010 to June 1, 2010.

Motion carried unanimously.

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

It was moved by Commissioner Trudell, seconded by Commissioner Lichtman to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:

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Approval of the October 2, 2007 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented;

Finance and Administration - Approval of the October 16, 2007 Routine Personnel Items as presented;

Finance and Administration - Approval of the October 16, 2007 Claims List in the amount of \$73,028.46;

Finance and Administration - Approval of the September, 2007 Direct Pay List in the amount of \$7,404,749.14.

Motion carried.

See a copy of the Routine Personnel Items on Page 130A of the Official Minutes.

See a copy of the Claims List on Page 130B of the Official Minutes.

See a copy of the September, 2007 Direct Pay List on Page 130C of the Official Minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION:

1. Fiscal Year 2008 Quarterly Appropriations:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, seconded by Commissioner Trudell to approve the first quarter appropriations for the Fiscal Year 07/08 for a total amount of \$747,199.00.

Motion carried.

See a copy of the document on Page 130D of the Official Minutes.

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FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION: (Continued)

2. Equalization 2007 October Apportionment Report:

It was moved by Commissioner Trudell, seconded by Commissioner Lichtman to approve the 2007 October Apportionment Report as presented.

Motion carried.

See a copy of the report filed in the County Clerk's Office.

3. MERS Resolution - Corrections Unit:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, seconded by Commissioner Trudell to adopt Resolution #2007-22, the Resolution for Changing MERS benefits indicating selection of multiplier B-4 for the POAM Correction bargaining unit, as required by the collective bargaining agreement.

Aye and Nay vote called for by Chairperson Ling regarding Resolution #2007-22 is as follows:

Aye votes: Districts: #1-Green, #2-Haupt, #3-Trudell, #4-Alwood,
#6-Ling, #7-Lichtman.

Nay votes: Districts: None.

Absent: District: #5-Roby.

Whole number of votes cast was 6 of which the Ayes received 6 and the Nays received 0. The Ayes receiving a Majority of all votes cast the proposition was declared carried.

See a copy of Resolution #2007-22 on Page 131A of the Official Minutes.

4. MERS Resolution - Benefit E:

It was moved by Commissioner Trudell, seconded by Commissioner Lichtman to adopt Resolution #2007-20, the Uniform Resolution for Adopting Benefit Program "E" Increase for all Isabella County divisions to be Effective on Adjustment Date January 1, 2008, indicating selection of Traditional Benefit E at an increase of 2.5 percent for those retiring on or before December 31, 2007 for an adjustment period of one year.

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4. MERS Resolution - Benefit E: (Continued)

Aye and Nay vote called for by Chairperson Ling regarding Resolution #2007-20 is as follows:

Aye votes: Districts: #1-Green, #2-Haupt, #3-Trudell, #4-Alwood,
#6-Ling, #7-Lichtman.

Nay votes: Districts: None.

Absent: District: #5-Roby.

Whole number of votes cast was 6 of which the Ayes received 6 and the Nays received 0. The Ayes receiving a Majority of all votes cast the proposition was declared carried.

See a copy of Resolution #2007-20 on Page 132A of the Official Minutes.

4. MERS Resolution - MCF Benefit E:

It was moved by Commissioner Trudell, seconded by Commissioner Lichtman to adopt Resolution #2007-21, the Uniform Resolution for Adopting Benefit Program "E" Increase for all Isabella County Medical Care Facility divisions to be Effective on Adjustment Date January 1, 2008 indicating selection of Traditional Benefit E at an additional increase of 2.5 percent for those retiring on or before December 31, 2007 for an adjustment period of one year.

Aye and Nay vote called for by Chairperson Ling regarding Resolution #2007-21 is as follows:

Aye votes: Districts: #1-Green, #2-Haupt, #3-Trudell, #4-Alwood,
#6-Ling, #7-Lichtman.

Nay votes: Districts: None.

Absent: District: #5-Roby.

Whole number of votes cast was 6 of which the Ayes received 6 and the Nays received 0. The Ayes receiving a Majority of all votes cast the proposition was declared carried.

See a copy of Resolution #2007-21 on Page 132B of the Official Minutes.

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5. MERS Resolution - Non-Represented Employee Unit:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, seconded by Commissioner Trudell to adopt Resolution #2007-23, the Resolution for Changing MERS Benefits indicating selection of multiplier B-4 for General Court Division 1 closed MERS unit as presented.

Aye and Nay vote called for by Chairperson Ling regarding Resolution #2007-23 is as follows:

Aye votes: Districts: #1-Green, #2-Haupt, #3-Trudell, #4-Alwood,
#6-Ling, #7-Lichtman.

Nay votes: Districts: None.

Absent: District: #5-Roby.

Whole number of votes cast was 6 of which the Ayes received 6 and the Nays received 0. The Ayes receiving a Majority of all votes cast the proposition was declared carried.

See a copy of Resolution #2007-23 on Page 133A of the Official Minutes.

5. MERS Resolution - MCF Non-Represented Employee Unit:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, seconded by Commissioner Trudell to adopt Resolution #2007-24, the Resolution for Changing MERS Benefits indicating selection of multiplier B-4 for the Medical Care Facility (MCF) Non Union Division 40 MERS unit, as presented.

Administrator for the Medical Care Facility John P. Riley, Jr., stated the Medical Care Facility was established in 1964 and there is a history of the MCF non represented employees having parity with the pay and benefits that non-represented employees at the County possess. His comments included discussion has been held with the forty members of the closed group and the goal for the MCF is to be pension parity with the County. After individual discussion with this closed group, Mr. Riley stated he is confident this group has indicated they wish to stay parity with the County employees accepting the same pension rate. He urged the BOC to take action on this issue tonight at the Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Lichtman asked Mr. Riley if he needed more time to inform the MCF non bargaining employees of the possible 3.95 percent reduction in their paycheck. Mr. Riley noted the MCF non bargaining employees have been informed on an individual basis of the options to be presented regarding the pension rates.

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Aye and Nay vote called for by Chairperson Ling regarding Resolution #2007-24 is as follows:

Aye votes: Districts: #1-Green, #2-Haupt, #3-Trudell, #4-Alwood,
#6-Ling, #7-Lichtman.

Nay votes: Districts: None.

Absent: District: #5-Roby.

Whole number of votes cast was 6 of which the Ayes received 6 and the Nays received 0. The Ayes receiving a Majority of all votes cast the proposition was declared carried.

See a copy of Resolution #2007-24 on Page 134A of the Official Minutes. .

6. Personnel Classification Updates:

It was moved by Commissioner Trudell, seconded by Commissioner Lichtman to adopt the job classification changes as recommended by O. William Rye and Co., LLC, retroactive to October 1, 2007.

Discussion was held. Commissioner Lichtman asked if it was possible to separate the motions regarding the two job classification changes as recommended by O. William Rye and Co., LLC. Chairperson Ling responded that it was possible to separate the two job classification changes into two separate motions if there were no objections. Commissioner Trudell objected stating we should stick with our original motion. Chairperson Ling stated that objection must be put in the form of a procedural motion.

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, seconded by Commissioner Alwood to separate the two items of reclassification as separate agenda items.

Commissioner Alwood and Commissioner Lichtman registered an Aye vote.

Commissioners: Green, Haupt, Trudell, registered a Nay vote.

Chairperson Ling advised the BOC would vote on the original motion.

Commissioner Alwood registered a Nay vote.

Motion carried.

See a copy of job title for Assistant to the County Administrator/Finance Director on Page 134B of the Official Minutes.

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7. Supplemental Budget Resolution:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, seconded by Commissioner Trudell to adopt Resolution #2007-19, Fiscal Year 2008 Supplemental Budget Resolution and General Appropriations Act, to amend the Board of Commissioners cost center expenditure budget, as presented.

Commissioner Alwood requested that in the future any discussion regarding compensation for the BOC be discussed with the Committee of the Whole.

Aye and Nay vote called for by Chairperson Ling regarding Resolution #2007-19 is as follows:

Aye votes: Districts: #1-Green, #2-Haupt, #3-Trudell, #4-Alwood,
#6-Ling, #7-Lichtman.

Nay votes: Districts: None.

Absent: District: #5-Roby.

Whole number of votes cast was 6 of which the Ayes received 6 and the Nays received 0. The Ayes receiving a Majority of all votes cast the proposition was declared carried.

See a copy of Resolution #2007-19 on Page 135A of the Official Minutes.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

1. Patrol Car Purchase:

It was moved by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Haupt to approve the purchase of three (3) 2007 Ford Crown Victoria patrol vehicles including new equipment from Signature Ford for a total amount of \$96,000.

Motion carried.

No attachments.

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HUMAN RESOURCES AND PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Drain Commissioner's Assessment Rolls:

It was moved by Commissioner Alwood, seconded by Commissioner Green to approve the 2007 Drain Assessment Roll as presented and designate that it be added to the tax rolls.

Motion carried.

See a copy of the document on Page 136A of the Official Minutes.

2. Drain Commissioners 2007 Annual Report:

It was moved by Commissioner Alwood, seconded by Commissioner Green to approve the 2007 Isabella County Drain Commissioner's Annual Report and file appropriately.

Motion carried.

See a copy of the report on file in the County Clerk's Office.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS: No Report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Commissioner Lichtman announced the Public Service Commission will hold a public forum on October 23, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall addressing utility billing. You are invited to bring your utility bills for review.
2. Commissioner Trudell announced there will be a Michigan Township Association (MTA) meeting held starting at 7:00 p.m. at the County Building in the Commission Chambers.

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3. Commissioner Alwood announced there will be a Sesquicentennial Committee Meeting held at 5:30 p.m. on October 24th in the County Building to formulate sub committees and request volunteers to help with the celebration.
4. Chairperson Ling announced that Commissioner Trudell and himself attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new and "state of the art" Senior Center facility for the elder members of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Commissioner Haupt, seconded by Commissioner Alwood to adjourn to the call of the Chair (7:50 p.m.).

Motion carried.

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