

Jackson County Board of Commissioners Meetings Minutes
January 2, 2003 - Organizational Meeting
Jackson County Commissioners Chambers: 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Sandy Crowley, Jackson County Clerk, called the Jackson County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:02 a.m.

INVOCATION:

Cmr. Herl

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

(12) Present: Cmr. Herl, Adams, Brittain, Day, Baxter, Videto, Shotwell, Mahoney, Rice, Lacinski, Wilson, & Elwell.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY:

- A. New Commissioners – The Honorable Charles Nelson
- B. New Prosecuting Attorney – The Honorable Chad Schmucker
- C. Incumbent Commissioners – The Honorable John McBain

Senator Phil Hoffman, as his last official act, presented retiring Sheriff Hank Zavislak with a Resolution in honor of his 22 years of service.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRPERSON:

Moved by Herl to nominate Rice. Moved by Mahoney supported by Lacinski to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot. Motion carried.

SEATING OF THE CHAIR

ELECTION OF THE VICE CHAIRPERSON:

Moved by Shotwell to nominate Herl. Moved by Lacinski supported by Mahoney to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

The Chair called a short recess at 9:10 a.m.
The Board reconvened at 9:17 a.m.

STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

Moved by Adams supported by Lacinski to Concur with the Standing Committee Appointments made by the Chair. Motion carried.

APPROVE THE BOARD RULES:

Moved by Lacinski supported by Mahoney to Approve the Board Rules. Motion carried.

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2003:

Moved by Herl supported by Elwell to Approve the Meeting Schedule for 2003. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION TO WAIVE ADMINISTRATION FEE AND INTEREST FOR SENIOR CITIZENS:

Moved by Elwell supported by Day to Adopt the Resolution to Waive Administration Fee and Interest for Senior Citizens. Roll call: (12) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CONTROLLER AS THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER AS REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE:

Moved by Mahoney supported by Lacinski to Appoint the County Administrator/Controller as the Freedom of Information Officer as Required by State Statute. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Moved by Lacinski supported by Mahoney to Adopt the Resolution to Elect the Chairperson for a 1-year Term. Shotwell brought forth a point of order that this Resolution should have been made before the election of the Chair. Elwell agrees with Shotwell and feels that a 2-year term better supports continuity. Mahoney said that a 1-year term has been past practice and that was the assumption she was under when she voted for Chair. Rice determines that there will be a roll call vote. Roll call: (7) Nays. Cmsrs. Herl, Baxter, Videto, Shotwell, Wilson, Elwell, & Rice. (5) Yeas. Cmsrs. Adams, Brittain, Day, Mahoney, & Lacinski. Motion to adopt a 1-year Resolution failed.

Herl questioned whether the Chair could abstain from a vote to avoid a tie vote. Lacinski agreed to check with the Michigan Association of Counties to see how other counties handle an even number of Commissioners.

ADJOURN TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR:

Moved by Mahoney supported by Shotwell to Adjourn to the Call of the Chair. Motion carried. The Jackson County Board of Commissioners Organizational meeting was adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

James Rice, Chairman, Jackson County Board of Commissioners
Sandy Crowley, Jackson County Clerk
Respectfully submitted by Erin Foster, Chief Deputy County Clerk.