

Jackson County Board of Commissioners Meetings Minutes
May 15, 2007 - Regular Meeting
Jackson County Commissioners Chambers: 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Steve Shotwell, at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Shotwell

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL - Sandra L. Crowley, County Clerk

Roll Call: (11) Present: Cmrs. Herl, Lutchka, Brittain, Duckham, Poleski, Videto, Mahoney, Brown, Smith, Elwell & Shotwell. Way – 7:58 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Videto, supported by Brown to approve the Agenda as Published.

Vice-Chairman Herl requested that a Parks item be added to the Agenda under County Affairs, and an item be added under New Business for a Rives Resolution for the Sanitary Sewer System. He also requested that Item No. 15.A.11. - Policy #1160 - Donations - be sent back to the Policy Committee for more discussion. There being no other amendments to the Agenda, the Motion carried unanimously.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

A. Jim Guerriero, Parks Director, along with Kim Conant, provided a Presentation on the Jackson County Parks & Recreation Commission's 2007 Summer Concert Series at the Cascades Rotary Band Shell and the Falls Family Night Shows.
(The presentation ended at about 7:23 p.m.)

B. Commissioner Lutchka introduced Kim Kerr & Karrie Sanders from the Farm Bureau who gave a PowerPoint Presentation on the Michigan Agricultural Environmental Assurance Program Certification Process. Three Certified Farms in Jackson County were acknowledged and representatives from each were present to answer questions. They were: Butch (Gaylord) Lincoln Farm, Richard Ekin Farm and Phil & Bruce Weir Farm.
(The presentation ended at 7:47 p.m.)

COMMUNICATIONS/PETITIONS - None

SPECIAL ORDERS/PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(At about 7:48 p.m., Public Comment was opened)

Dewey Graves, Leoni Township, spoke regarding his resignation from JTA.

Philip Lancaster, Blackman Township, spoke regarding JTA concerns.

Estelle Graves, Leoni Township, thanked her husband for all he's done for JTA and hopes that more hours will be offered.

Jerry McDevitt, Summit Township, spoke regarding JTA concerns.

(At 8:05 p.m., Public Comment was closed.)

SPECIAL MEETINGS OF STANDING COMMITTEES - None

MINUTES:

A. Minutes of the 4/17/07 Regular Board Meeting and the 4/27/07 Special Meetings of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners

Moved by Elwell, supported by Mahoney to receive the 4/17/07 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and the 4/27/07 Minutes of the Special Meetings of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Lutchka, supported by Way to Accept the Consent Agenda Items A through E as follows:

A. CountyAffairs

1. Amended Grant with MDOT for Design Engineering Services for Runway 14-32 and Taxiway "D: Contract No. 2006-0655 A1 Federal Project No. B-26-0051-11606.

Attachments:

- * Memoranda from Airport Manager dated 4/19/07 & 3/21/07
- * Amended Grant

2. Resolution (05-07.17) Authorizing the County Board of Commissioners Chair, James E. Shotwell, Jr. To Sign MDOT Contract Amendment #2006-0655 A1 (Federal Project #C-26-0051-1606), for Sandstone - Blackman Drain Relocation Feasibility Analysis near the Runway #14 Approach at the Jackson County Airport.

Attachments:

- * Resolution (05-07.17)

B. County Agencies

3. 2006 District Court Annual Report

Attachments:

- * Provided under separate cover

C. Human Services

4. 2006 Department on Aging Annual Report

Attachments:

- * Provided under separate cover

D. Personnel & Finance

5. Recommendation of TDS for 5-Year Telecommunication Services

Attachments:

- * Memorandum from Telecommunications Rate Proposal Study Group
- * Rate Analysis Chart

6. Deletion of Full-Time Accounts Payable Clerk in Administrative Services and Creation of Part-Time Accounts Payable Clerk

Attachments: None.

7. Budget Adjustments

a. Department on Aging

Attachments:

- * Department on Aging Budget Adjustment Forms

E. Claims

8. Claims dated 4/1/07 - 4/30/07 as presented to and approved by the Standing Committees

Attachments: None

Roll Call: (12) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. County Affairs - Commissioner Lutchka

1. Appointment to the Jackson County Employees' Retirement System - One Commissioner member, term to 5/2010. It's a Chairman's appointment and the Chair recommended re-appointing himself as he is currently on that Board.

Moved by Lutchka, supported by Mahoney to re-appoint Commissioner Shotwell to the Jackson County Employees' Retirement System. No other nominations from the floor. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Imprest Cash for the Parks Fund.

(This item was added to the Agenda by Cmr. Herl under 5. - Approval of Agenda.)

Moved by Lutchka, supported by Mahoney, that the two county campgrounds receive \$100 each imprest cash and the Cascades Falls receive an imprest cash for \$1,250.00 for a total imprest cash of \$1,450.00. Motion carried unanimously.

B. County Agencies - Commissioner Mahoney

None.

C. Human Services - Commissioner Mike Way

None.

D. Personnel and Finance - Commissioner James Videto

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Revised/New Policies

1.-10. Chairman Shotwell asked that Revised Fiscal Policies 900 through 1150 be approved as one motion.

*Moved by Mahoney, supported by Brown to approve the **Revised Fiscal Policies 900 through 1150**. Motion carried unanimously.*

11. New Fiscal Policy 1160 - Donations has been removed and sent back to committee.

12. **Revised Fiscal Policies 1030, 1060, 1080,1090,1100,1120,1140** have been changed to add an Aadopted date@ and Arevision date@ added only.

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Lutchka to add the adopted and revision dates to the policies. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Revised Administrative Policy 5220 - Cellular Telephones

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Poleski to approve the revised policy. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Revised Administrative Policy 5270 - Workplace Enhancement Teams

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Way to approve the Revised Workplace Enhancement Teams policy. Motion carried unanimously.

15. New Personnel Policy 3350 - Administrator/Controller Succession

Moved by Videto, supported by Mahoney to approve Policy 3350. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Jackson Transportation Authority (JTA)
1. JTA Contract for services rendered for 2007.

Moved by Herl, supported by Brittain to approve the JTA Contract for services rendered for 2007.

Cmr. Brittain would like to see the second contract that was submitted. Chairman Shotwell responded that the objective for tonight is to redirect this back to the Administrator for further negotiations.

Moved by Poleski, supported by Herl, to refer back to the Administrator with request to consider perhaps days of the weeks that are going to be offered. A more full scope of the services to be offered should be dealt with and what other options there are. Motion to defer this to next month's meeting made by Poleski, supported by Herl. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Quarterly Appropriation

Moved by Poleski, supported by Elwell to make the quarterly appropriation payment to JTA. Roll Call: (12) Yeas.

C. Contract Ratification - Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Association

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Lutchka to approve the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Association Tentative Agreement dated April 25, 2007. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Rives Township Sewer System

(This item was added to the Agenda by Cmr. Herl under 5. - Approval of Agenda)

Moved by Herl, supported by Mahoney to Approve the Resolution to Authorize Execution of Jackson County Wastewater Disposal Facility (Rives Township Section) Bond Contract and to provide for certain other matters pertaining thereto.

Moved by Poleski to Approve this Resolution subject to the Administrator obtaining all the representations required by Paragraph K of our newly approved Policy 1150.

Cmr. Herl supports Amendment to his original motion. Roll Call: (12) Yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At 8:15 p.m., Dewey Graves spoke regarding the JTA Contract and he hopes the contract does not limit to just one area as there is a big difference between urban and rural.

(At 8:17 p.m., Public Comment was closed.)

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Cmr. Brittain still feels the people should be able to vote on the JTA millage and it should be put on the ballot.

Cmr. Lutchka thanked the MEAP Certified farmers for coming tonight. It shows that these families are really concerned about what's best for the environment as well as the citizens of the county and state.

Cmr. Herl spoke about the County News from NACO regarding the Supreme Court Ruling of flow control.

Cmr. Shotwell added that all of the Commissioners' desk numbers match.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Shotwell adjourned the May 15, 2007 meeting of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners at 8:20 p.m.

James E. Shotwell, Jr. - Chairman, Jackson County Board of Commissioners
Sandra L. Crowley - Jackson County Clerk