

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, March 1, 2010
COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS, 304 E. Grand River, Howell MI

The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Maggie Jones, at 7:30 p.m.

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by the Clerk indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

Present: Maggie Jones (1), Jim Mantey (2), David Domas (3), Ronald VanHouten (4), Donald S. Parker (5), Steven Williams (6), Carol Griffith (7), Dennis Dolan (8), John LaBelle (9)

Absent: None

Also present: John McGlinchey (Counsel), Jeff Boyd (Ambulance), Kathleen Kline-Hudson (Planning), Belinda Peters (Administration), Margaret M. Dunleavy, Debbie Warden

Correspondence. It was moved by Commissioner Williams to accept and place on file the correspondence from Alger, Berrien, Charlevoix and Wexford Counties. Seconded by Commissioner Dolan. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Call To The Public. Allan Cowdrey, 3310 Faussett Rd, spoke regarding the killing of a goat and cat on his property. He stated Animal Control took the dog but there are a lot of inconsistencies at Animal Control regarding the putting down of animals. Billie Elliott, 310 N. Kane Rd, Webberville, spoke about the unprofessional conduct of Animal Control Director Anne Burns. She had gone to Animal Control to see her dogs, which are being held for evidence, on the 17th. She went back on the 19th and was not allowed to see them. Anne Burns stated that she had to pay for shelter care. Dawn Fleck, 787 Robertson, stated that she was in Animal Shelter when the Elliot's came in to see their animals. She stated they were treated unfairly and unprofessionally. Nancy Hill, Brighton Township, asked when the Commissioners were going to move on this issue. Lori Hart, South Lyon, stated she had contacted Animal Control regarding a Rottweiler that was to be put down on the 24th that she was interested in adopting. She stated Anne Burns was rude and indignant with her. Pat Coffey wonders why there is such a variation of treatments of different animals. Denise Beesler, Brighton Township, stated that Anne Burns is a liability to the Board of Commissioners and the Sheriff's Department. Billie Elliott asked what are the employees doing at Animal Control when the cages are not full and the trustees from the jail clean the cages.

Approval of Minutes. It was moved by Commissioner Mantey to accept the minutes of the February 16th and February 24th regular meetings as printed. Seconded by Commissioner Griffith. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Tabled Items. None.

Agenda. Commissioner LaBelle moved the agenda with the addition of a resolution to be numbered 2010-03-091 regarding resolution No. 2010-02-080 and its passing on February 24, 2010.

Reports. Commissioner Williams informed the Board that he attended the SEMCOG meeting and MDOT'S (five) 5 year plan was discussed. Only renovations on 23 will be funded as of now.

Commissioner Domas stated that he attended the courts meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the communication between the Sheriff Department and Judiciary, the OSSI system and the calculation of time shared. Commissioner Domas stated that he had requested of the commissioners a year ago for each to work on contributions for budget.

Consent Items. None.

Resolutions. Commissioner Parker presented Resolution No. 2010-03-081, Resolution To Approve Appointments To Livingston County Committees-Board of Commissioners, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Williams. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner Dolan presented Resolution No. 2010-03-082, Resolution To Appoint Alternate Members To The Livingston County Workforce Development Council-MI Works!, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Mantey. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner Mantey presented Resolution No. 2010-03-083, Resolution Approving The Fiscal Year 2010 Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Capacity Building And Professional Development Funding For Livingston County-MI Works!, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Williams. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner Domas presented Resolution No. 2010-03-084, Resolution To Authorize A Budget Amendment For The Expenditure For The Courts To Digital Audio-Video Recording In Accordance With The Approved Resolution 2009-12-370-Purchasing, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner VanHouten. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner Dolan presented Resolution No. 2010-03-085, Resolution To Link The Livingston County Capital Improvement Plan/Inventory And The County Comprehensive Plan, For The Mutual Support, Benefit And Viability Of Both Documents As Planning Tools-Planning, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner LaBelle. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner Williams presented Resolution No.2010-03-086, Resolution Approving The Filling Of A Vacant Part-Time Administrative Specialist Position With Temporary Part-Time Help In The Department Of Planning, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner VanHouten. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner LaBelle presented Resolution No. 2010-03-087, Resolution Approving The Filling Of A Vacant Full-Time Manager Position With A Part-Time Community Corrections

Manager-Community Corrections, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Williams. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner Mantey presented Resolution No. 2010-03-088, Resolution Authorizing The Ballot Language For The 2011 Thru 2030, Inclusive, EMS Millage Renewal-EMS, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner VanHouten. Roll call vote: Ayes: Mantey, Domas, VanHouten, Parker, Williams, Griffith, Dolan, LaBelle, Jones; Nays: None; Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner LaBelle presented Resolution No. 2010-03-089, Resolution In Support Of The Final Report Of The Legislative Commission On Statutory Mandates-December 2009-Board of Commissioners, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner VanHouten. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner Mantey presented Resolution No. 2010-03-090, Resolution Designating The County Of Livingston As A Recovery Zone- County Administration, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Griffith. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

Commissioner LaBelle presented Resolution No. 2010-03-091, Resolution

Call To The Public. Denise Beesler inquired about getting a refund from Animal Control for a FOIA request she paid for since most all information was whited out.

Adjournment. It was moved by Commissioner Parker that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Commissioner Mantey. MOTION CARRIED, 9-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Margaret M. Dunleavy
Livingston County Clerk