

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
STATUTORY EQUALIZATION MEETING, April 14, 2015
COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS, 304 E. Grand River, Howell, MI

The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Carol Griffith, 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: Kate Lawrence (1), William Green (2), Ronald VanHouten (4), Donald Parker (5), Steven Williams (6), Carol Griffith (7), Dennis Dolan (8)

Absent: David Domas (3), Gary Childs (9)

Also present: Matt Nordfjord, Rich McNulty (Counsel), Kevin Wilkinson, Jeff Boyd (Ambulance), Dianne McCormick, Matt Bolang (Health), Cindy Catanach, Hilery DeHate (Finance), Sally Reynolds (Register of Deeds), Brian Jonckheere (Drain), Sue Bostwick, Mike Ortiz (Equalization), Richard Malewicz (IT), Jon Waggoner (Veterans), Jennifer Palmboos (Personnel), Jon Westendorf (Animal Control), Chris Folts (Facilities Services), Margaret Dunleavy, Debbie Warden

Correspondence. It was moved by Commissioner Williams to accept and place on file the correspondence from Bay and Ottawa counties along with correspondence from Germane Environmental Consulting. Seconded by Commissioner Green. MOTION CARRIED.

Call To The Public. Dan Wholihan, Brighton, stated that he hopes with the new administrator, everything will stay as it is now because he feels everything works well as it is. Brian Jonckheere thanked the board for giving him the opportunity of working on the process of hiring the new administrator.

Minutes. It was moved by Commissioner Lawrence to accept the minutes of the regularly scheduled meetings of March 16, March 25 and April 8, 2015, as printed. Seconded by Commissioner Dolan. MOTION CARRIED.

Tabled Items. None.

Agenda. It was moved by Commissioner Dolan to approve the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Williams. MOTION CARRIED.

Reports. Commissioner Dolan reported that the jail is on schedule except for the iron work. It is running about a week behind.

Commissioner Lawrence stated that she attended the 9-1-1 recognition ceremony where Amanda Joseph was chosen Dispatcher of the Year.

Consent Agenda. Commissioner Dolan presented the consent agenda and adopted each as follows:

Resolution No. 2015-04-084, Resolution Authorizing Out-Of-State Travel For FOC Interstate Caseworker To Attend The Eastern Regional Interstate Child Support Association (ERICSA) Annual Conference-Friend of the Court;

Resolution No. 2015-04-085, Resolution Authorizing Recognition Of National Public Safety Telecommunicators' Week, April 12-18, 2015-Central Dispatch;

Resolution No. 2015-04-086, Resolution Authorizing Specialty Court Programs To Apply For BJA Justice And Mental Health Collaboration Program FY2016 Funding Opportunity-Circuit Court;

Resolution No. 2015-04-087, Resolution To Amend The 2015 Equalization Department Budget-Equalization;

Resolution No. 2015-04-088, Resolution Authorizing An Additional (1) Part Time Veterinary Position Operating With 2015 Budget Limits-Animal Control;

Resolution No. 2015-04-089, Resolution Authorizing Out-Of-State Travel For Veterans' Services Staff To Attend The National Association Of County Veteran Counselors (NACVSO) Conference In Appleton, Wisconsin For Accreditation Training-Veterans, and

Resolution No. 2015-04-090, Resolution To Submit Estimated 2016 Budget To Allocation Board-Administration.

Seconded by Commissioner Green. Roll call vote: Ayes: Dolan, Lawrence, Green, VanHouten, Parker, Williams, Griffith; Nays: None; Absent: Domas, Childs. MOTION CARRIED.

Closed Session. Written Legal Opinion

The board went into closed session at 7:41 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 8:00 p.m.

County Administer Interviews.

Chairperson, Carol Griffith, explained that there were 271 applications for the county administrator position. She thanked Hiring Solutions for their help in this process and thanked Belinda Peters for her years of service to the county and her leadership.

Mr. Kenneth Hinton, county administrator for Wexford County, stated that his interest in this position is both professional and personal. He is looking to relocate and feels he would be the perfect fit for Livingston County. He feels pertinent issues for Livingston County would be talent, fiscal and technology management.

Mr. David Mackie also stated that he is interested in the position for personal and professional reasons. He stated that he feels Livingston County has five (5) pertinent issues. They are strong finances, economic development, educating the public, safety and roads and planning.

Resolutions. Commission Parker presented Resolution No. 2015-04-091, Appointment of County Administrator. Commissioner Parker nominated Kenneth Hinton for conditional offer of appointment for the position of County Administrator contingent upon him fulfilling to the sole satisfaction of the County all County post-interview requirements and verifications and executing an employment contract in a form acceptable to the County. Seconded by Commissioner Dolan. Roll call vote: Ayes: Parker,

Williams, Griffith, Dolan, Lawrence, Green, VanHouten; Nays: None; Absent: Domas, Childs. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Williams presented Resolution No. 2015-04-092, Resolution To Approve Appointment To 2015 Tax Allocation Board-Board of Commissioners, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Lawrence. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Lawrence presented Resolution No. 2015-04-093, Resolution To Approve Appointment To The Livingston County Foundation Board Of Directors-Board of Commissioners, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Williams. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Dolan presented Resolution No. 2015-04-094, Resolution Authorizing Livingston County's Annual Budget Process And Calendar For 2016-County Administration, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner Lawrence. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Dolan presented Resolution No. 2015-04-095, Resolution To Adopt The 2015 County Equalization Report As Submitted With The Accompanying Statements-Equalization, and moved its adoption. Seconded by Commissioner VanHouten. Roll call vote; Ayes: Dolan, Lawrence, Green, VanHouten, Parker, Williams, Griffith; Nays: None; Absent: Domas, Childs. MOTION CARRIED.

Call To The Public. No response.

Adjournment. It was moved by Commissioner Williams that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Commissioner VanHouten. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Margaret M. Dunleavy
Livingston County Clerk