APPROVED PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JANUARY SESSION – WORK SESSION

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Monday, January 5, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. and was called to order by the Chair.

The Deputy Clerk led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present at roll call: Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Kuyers, Swartout, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Disselkoen, Karsten, Holtrop. (9)

Absent: Messrs. Hehl, Holtvluwer. (2)

Public Comments and Communications from Staff

The Administrator congratulated Mr. Kuyers on receiving the Dale Carnegie Award of Appreciation.

Work Session Items:

A. Business Plan Update – The Administrator welcomed the Commissioners and gave a brief overview of the day's activities along with a review of the strategic plan elements.

Mr. Hehl arrived at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Holtvluwer arrived at 9:40 a.m.

The Commissioners then completed the SWOT Analysis listing strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats within Ottawa County.

Break: 11:20 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

After break, the Commissioners identified their 2009 objectives.

Lunch: 12:00 p.m. until 12:40 p.m.

After lunch, the Commissioners were asked to rank the objectives. The following are the five top rankings:

66 points – Work at the State and Federal levels to address unfunded and underfunded mandates.

65 points – Continue to advocate that the State of Michigan remain committed to continuing revenue sharing payments to counties.

57 points – Legislative Action Plan

54 points – Develop overall County Communication Plan

53 points – Review and evaluate the organization, contracts, programs, and services for potential efficiencies.

B/C 09-014 Mr. Schrotenboer moved to adjourn at 1:08 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. The motion passed.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk
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