

**APPROVED**  
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**JULY SESSION – SECOND DAY**

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, July 28, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Chair.

Mr. Swartout pronounced the invocation.

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

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

Absent: Mrs. Kortman, Mr. Holtrop. (2)

Presentation of Petitions and Communications

A Resolution was presented to Randy Heethuis, Unity Christian Girls Soccer Coach, by Mr. Kuyers.

Public Comments and Communications from County Staff

Paul Geerlings, Drain Commissioners, addressed the June 19<sup>th</sup> rain event in Ottawa County. A brochure, Citizen Guide to the Drain Code, is now available.

B/C 09-184 Mr. Hehl moved to approve the agenda of today as presented and amended adding Discussion Item #16 – Status of Declaration of a State of Emergency within Ottawa County. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Holtvluwer, Swartout, Schrotenboer, Kuyers, Karsten, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rycenga, Hehl, Disselkoen. (9)

B/C 09-185 Mr. Kuyers moved to approve the following Consent Resolutions:

1. To approve the Minutes of the July 14, 2009, Board of Commissioners Meeting and the Minutes of the July 14, 2009, Board of Commissioners Work Session.
2. To authorize the payroll of July 28, 2009, in the amount of \$475.50.
3. To approve the general claims in the amount of \$3,473,094.60 as presented by the summary report for July 1, 2009, through July 17, 2009.

4. To approve the appropriation changes greater than \$50,000 and those approved by the Administrator and Fiscal Services Director for \$50,000 or less which changed the total appropriation from the amended budget for the month of June 2009.

The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Karsten, Kuyers, Holtvluwer, Schrotenboer, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Swartout, Rycenga, Hehl, Disselkoen. (9)

- B/C 09-186 Mr. Swartout moved to receive for information the auditors' communication letter from Vredevelde Haefner LLC regarding their responsibility on the County's audit for the year ended December 31, 2008. The motion passed.
- B/C 09-187 Mr. Swartout moved to receive for information the auditors' communication letter from Vredevelde Haefner LLC regarding their responsibility on the County's Drain Commissioner's audit for the year ended December 31, 2008. The motion passed.
- B/C 09-188 Mr. Swartout moved to receive for information the Ottawa County Drain Commissioner's Annual Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2008. The motion passed.
- B/C 09-189 Mr. Swartout moved to receive for information the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the County of Ottawa for the year ended December 31, 2008. The motion passed.
- B/C 09-190 Mr. Swartout moved to receive for information the County of Ottawa's Single Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 2008. The motion passed.
- B/C 09-191 Mr. Swartout moved to approve the purchase of five (5) years of MERS generic service credit for Evelyn Keyes (total cost to be paid by employee).

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| Total Cost:    | \$94,603.00 |
| Employer Cost: | \$0         |
| Employee Cost: | \$94,603.00 |

The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Kuyers, Hehl, Swartout, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rycenga, Holtvluwer, Schrotenboer, Disselkoen. (8)

Nays: Mr. Karsten. (1)

B/C 09-192 Mr. Swartout moved to approve and authorize the Board Chairperson and Clerk to sign an agreement with Maximus to perform a User Fee Cost of Service Study for Ottawa County at a cost of \$75,000. Funding included in the 2009 budget. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Schrotenboer, Swartout, Holtvluwer, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Kuyers, Hehl, Karsten, Rycenga, Disselkoen. (9)

B/C 09-193 Mr. Swartout moved to approve and authorize the Board Chairperson and Clerk to sign the Resolution approving the Senior Resources Multi-Year Area Plan FY 2010-2012. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Holtvluwer, Kuyers, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Karsten, Hehl, Rycenga, Swartout, Schrotenboer, Disselkoen. (9)

#### Discussion Items

13. Employee Survey – Noel Willis and Sherry Loweke, RDA Group, presented the Ottawa County Employee Satisfaction Survey results.

14. Closed Session : Property Acquisition

B/C 09-194 Mrs. Ruiter moved to go into a Closed Session at 2:38 p.m. for the purpose of discussing property acquisition. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Hehl, Karsten, Swartout, Holtvluwer, Rycenga, Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Disselkoen. (9)

B/C 09-195 Mr. Karsten moved to rise from Closed Session at 2:53 p.m. The motion passed.

B/C 09-196 Mr. Kuyers moved to approve the Exchange Agreement with Albert and Diana LaFleur to trade properties at Ripps Bayou at no cost to either party except closing costs with funding to come from the parks and recreation millage and to authorize the Parks and Recreation Director to sign the documents required for this transaction. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Hehl, Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Kuyers, Holtvluwer, Swartout, Karsten, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Disselkoen. (9)

B/C 09-197 Mr. Kuyers moved to approve the Agreement for Sale and Purchase of Real Estate with Bolthouse Brothers Land, Inc., to acquire approximately 109.4 acres in Tallmadge Township with funding to come from the parks and recreation millage and to authorize the Parks and Recreation Director to sign the documents required for this transaction. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Swartout, Holtvluwer, Karsten, Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Rycenga, Hehl, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Disselkoen. (9)

15. Report of County Administrator Review Committee/Approval of County Administrator Contract from January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2012.

B/C 09-198 Mr. Schrotenboer moved to approve a three-year Agreement to retain Alan G. Vanderberg as Ottawa County Administrator from January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2012. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mr. Holtvluwer, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rycenga, Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Karsten, Hehl, Swartout Disselkoen. (9)

16. Status of Declaration of a State of Emergency within Ottawa County – William Smith, Emergency Services Director, reported the criteria were not met for the County to receive the Declaration from the State of Michigan. Ottawa partnered with Allegan County but there was still a \$5 million shortfall to meet the \$13 million threshold. He asked the State to attend a public meeting to answer questions on why this was denied. At first the State accepted but then called back and declined.

The County Administrator's report was presented.

Several Commissioners commented on meetings attended and future meetings to be held.

B/C 09-199 Mr. Karsten moved to adjourn at 3:14 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. The motion passed.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk  
Of the Board of Commissioners

DONALD DISSELKOEN, Chairman  
Of the Board of Commissioners