

**APPROVED**  
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**FEBRUARY SESSION – FIRST DAY**

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 1:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Chair.

Mr. DeJong pronounced the invocation.

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

Present at roll call: Messrs. Visser, Kuyers, Swartout, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. DeJong, Rycenga, Baumann, Disselkoen, Karsten, Holtrop (10)

Absent: Mr. Holtvluwer. (1)

Presentation of Petitions and Communications

A. Government Finance Officers Association Certificate for Excellence in Financial Reporting – Bob Spaman, Fiscal Services Director, presented Connie VanderSchaaf with the certificate. The Chair so noted.

Public Comments and Communications from County Staff

1. Greg Steigenga, Undersheriff, introduced the new Emergency Management Director, Beth Thomas.
2. Kenneth David, Grand Haven Township, expressed concerns over the Revolving Loan Fund as well as the possible creation of the Agricultural Incubator Revolving Loan Fund. The Administrator addressed his concerns. Commissioner Rycenga commented that by the County using grant money it makes the County financially sound during challenging times.
3. Legislative Update – Jim Miller, Governmental Consultant Services, Inc., presented the Quarterly Legislative Update.

B/C 11-034 Mr. Disselkoen moved to approve the agenda of today as presented and amended adding Action Item #11 – Designation and Certification of Ottawa County Michigan Works! Agency as a “One Stop” Operator and to amend the proposed January 25<sup>th</sup> Work Session Minutes changing “farms” to “agricultural businesses”. The motion passed.

B/C 11-035 Mr. Holtrop moved to approve the following Consent Resolutions:

1. To approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2011, Board of Commissioners Meeting and the January 25, 2011, Board of Commissioners Work Session.
2. To authorize the payroll of February 8, 2011 in the amount of \$520.36.
3. To receive for information the Correspondence Log.
4. To approve the general claims in the amount of \$2,821,811.41 as presented by the summary report for January 17, 2011, through January 31, 2011.
5. To receive for information the Ottawa County Equalization 2010 Annual Report.
6. To receive for information the Ottawa County Register of Deeds 2010 Annual Report.

The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Rycenga, DeJong, Karsten, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Baumann, Visser, Swartout, Disselkoen, Holtrop, Kuyers. (10)

B/C 11-036 Mr. Swartout moved to designate and certify the Ottawa County Michigan Works! Agency, a department of Ottawa County government, as the “one-stop operator” in accordance with Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth/Bureau of Workforce Transformation Policy Issuance No. 09-02, Change 1. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Holtrop, Swartout, Baumann, Visser, Disselkoen, Karsten, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rycenga, DeJong, Kuyers. (10)

Discussion Items:

1. Ottawa County Equalization 2010 Annual Report – The 2010 Equalization Department Annual Report was presented by Michael Galligan, Equalization Director.
2. Ottawa County Register of Deeds 2010 Annual Report – The 2010 Register of Deeds Annual Report was presented by Gary Scholten, Register of Deeds.

B/C 11-037 Mr. Disselkoen moved to go into a Closed Session at 2:43 p.m. for the purposed of discussing property acquisition. (2/3 roll call vote required) The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Karsten, Disselkoen, Holtrop, Visser, DeJong, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Swartout, Rycenga, Baumann, Kuyers. (10)

B/C 11-038 Mr. Swartout moved to rise from Closed Session at 2:53 p.m. The motion passed.

B/C 11-039 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Notice of Exercise of Option for purchase of 100 acres in Georgetown Township from Diana Aldrink with funding in the amount of \$1,408,750 plus closing costs from the county parks millage and State grant and to authorize the Parks and Recreation Director to sign the closing documents required for this transaction. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Disselkoen, Karsten, DeJong, Holtrop, Visser, Swartout, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rycenga, Baumann, Kuyers. (10)

B/C 11-040 Mrs. Ruiter moved to go into a Closed Session at 2:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations. (2/3 roll call vote required) The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. DeJong, Visser, Swartout, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Disselkoen, Baumann, Holtrop, Karsten, Rycenga, Kuyers. (10)

B/C 10-041 Mr. Swartout moved to rise from Closed Session at 3:03 p.m. The motion passed.

B/C 10-042 Mr. Disselkoen moved to allow Administration to finalize contract language for negotiation between Ottawa County and the POAM 312 and Non 312. The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Visser, Disselkoen, Holtrop, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. DeJong, Rycenga, Swartout, Baumann, Kuyers. (9)

Nays: Mr. Karsten. (1)

The Administrator's report was presented.

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

B/C 10-043 Mr. Karsten moved to adjourn at 3:12 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. The motion passed.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk  
Of the Board of Commissioners

PHILLIP KUYERS, Chairman  
Of the Board of Commissioners