

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

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Chair.

Mr. Holtrop pronounced the invocation.

The Deputy 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, Holtvluwer. (11)

Public Comments and Communications from County Staff

1. David Morren, 10345 60th Ave., Allendale, addressed the Board over concerns with the Road Commission. Questioned the Board if it was unanimous to wait until after the election to complete the study on whether or not the County should take over the Road Commission. He believes the citizens of Ottawa County want the Board to do the right thing.

The Administrator responded that no vote was taken and that the whole Board hasn't discussed the issue. This is complicated and it will take a year to do the research.

2. Legislative Update – A legislative update was presented by Jim Miller, Governmental Consultant Services, Inc.

B/C 12-059 Mr. Holtrop moved to approve the agenda of today as presented. The motion passed.

B/C 12-060 Mr. Holtrop moved to approve the following Consent Resolutions:

1. To approve the Minutes of the March 29, 2012 Board of Commissioners Meeting.
2. To authorize the payroll of April 10, 2012 in the amount of \$575.86.
3. To receive for information the Correspondence Log.
4. To approve the general claims in the amount of \$2,668,205.91 as presented by the summary report for March 19, 2012 through March 30, 2012.
5. To receive for information the Ottawa County Clerk's Office 2011 Annual Report.
6. To receive for information the Ottawa County Drain Commissioner's Office 2011 Annual Report.

The motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Swartout, Holtvluwer, Visser, Holtrop, Karsten, Disselkoen, Baumann, Rycenga, DeJong, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Kuyers. (11)

B/C 12-061 Mr. Swartout moved to approve the name of Roger Cotner for appointment to the Ottawa County Tax Allocation Board, pursuant to MCL 211.205(e). The motion passed.

Discussion Items

1. Ottawa County Clerk's Office 2011 Annual Report – The 2011 County Clerk's Annual Report was presented by Sherri Sayles, Chief Deputy Clerk.
2. Ottawa County Drain Commissioner's Office 2011 Annual Report –The 2011 Drain Commissioner's Annual Report was presented by Paul Geerlings, Drain Commissioner.

The Administrator's report was presented.

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

The Chair moved right into the Work Session at 2:12 p.m.

Work Session Items

1. Michigan Jobs & Energy Coalition (MJEC) – Dennis McKee, Area Manager Governmental and Public Affairs Consumers Energy, explained the MJEC was established in 2008 to seek passage of a comprehensive Michigan energy reform law. Less than three years ago, Michigan lawmakers set in place a comprehensive energy policy designed to safeguard the state's energy future. Other groups want to raise the cap that limits competition to 10 percent of the utilities' sales in Michigan's 2008 energy reform law. This is not in the best interest of the consumers.

B/C 12-062 Mr. Holtrop moved to adjourn at 2:29 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

