

THE BENZIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 16, 2010

The Benzie County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Room, Government Center, Beulah, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald R. Tanner

Members Present: Commissioners Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse

Absent: Comm Damm arrives at 9:02 a.m.

The invocation was done by Commissioner Kelley followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda: Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Hollenbeck, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse
Nays: None

Minutes: Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Pitcher, to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 2, 2010 as presented. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

9:04 a.m. PUBLIC INPUT

Kay Hopkins, 5614 River Road, Benzonia, handed out a statement regarding The Maples and the problems with the union; things aren't working well; very good employees have been dismissed; And investigation of the problems would be pertinent to better care for our seniors that are in need of help; left employment at The Maples – worked there 3 years in the maintenance department.

Barb Clarke, 4488 Hickory Drive, Honor, one of the employees that were fired; Rose is going through and cleaning house; she is getting rid of the senior employees; the residents are missing us; not allowed to know day to day things; worked there nearly 20 years.

Marilyn Olson 5610 River Road, Benzonia, was fired from The Maples; she was accused of abuse and neglect that never happened; the administrator lies, Margot lies; I can't even go to the Maples – even the yard; worked there 9-1/2 years; she was paid off.

Veranda Hawkins, 7345 Clark Street, Beulah, 17 years; fired after good evaluations were done; never been suspended, just fired; they told her to stay away – you can't keep them out of a public building so she goes there; it is not good over there.

Danielle Gardner, 6642 Hoadley Road, this is just a tiny bit of staff that have been fired; you got staff that had more than 20 years that were let go; she was a volunteer there for 5-1/2 years; they were ousted out of there and the residents miss it; volunteers are hard to come by.

David & Alice Brown, Cadillac, says he sees no problems with the rumors about The Gathering Place; he wouldn't travel 40 some miles if there were problems; can't understand why anyone would badmouth them.

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Kathy Gordon, Stanley Road, Beulah, her mother was a resident of The Maples; 14 people have been fired over the years; her mother grew to love all of the people that took care of her on a daily basis; don't overlook the Maples.

Ross Childs, Acting Director of the Grand Traverse County Department of Public Works, requests time to meet with the board regarding Act 381 and septage and holding tanks; would like to meet with all seven counties that surround them.

Tino Briethupt, Traverse Bay EDC, discusses Recovery Zone Economic Development Bond financing; Benzie County's allocation from the federal stimulus funds is \$985,000 for public sector and \$1,478,000 for private sector (Recovery Zone Facility Bonds); if you have no use for the funds, Michigan Dept of Treasury is asking you to revert the allocation back to them to put into a pool; Jean Derenzy, Brownfield in Traverse City is also present, they have two projects which are shovel ready and could use the surrounding county's funds rather than send them back to Lansing; we would like those funds; the entire Grand Traverse County has been designated as a recovery zone.

Carol Dipzinski, worked 18 years at The Maples as a nurse and now is retired; all of these people that have been terminated worked under her and she would hire any one of these people again to work with her; she is appalled at the way they are being treated; she feels the Board of Commissioners doesn't care about the Maples; their board chair is ~~awful~~ intimidating.

Nancy Vander Linde, 1233 Taquaka, Frankfort, her husband was a resident at The Maples for 3-1/2 years; he had assurance that he would be there for the rest of his life; when the administration changed, he no longer had that assurance; you need to look into the change of administration; you should have tested this administrator before giving her a five year contract.

Eric VanDussen, what is happening with the zoning ordinance and its termination or not; Council on Aging lawsuit by Joan Cramer, FOIA and OMA violations and retaliatory discharge; no council meeting was held to approve the response to your requests; their response is not a response in his opinion – the board never acted on it; they claim that they are not a governmental unit, but belong to MERS, they received tribal grants which are for governmental units; Sears estate; you are giving COA a large payment on March 31, 2010 – about \$300,000 – unless you act today to stop it.

Danielle Gardner asks if you, as a body of commissioners, would you be willing to meet with the employees of the Maples.

9:35 a.m. PUBLIC INPUT CLOSED

This has been going on for 3-1/2 years.

Comm Pitcher says we need to be careful how it is presented and how we structure it.

Chairman Tanner says we only appoint a board member and have limited authority once that happens, that board should be responding to you.

Comm Kelley says it falls under the DHS.

Comm Roper says we should have the Maples board members here too.

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Chairman Tanner says we need to set a joint meeting with our Board, The Maples board and DHS Director.

ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPT HEAD COMMENTS

Craig Johnson, EMS Director, says call volume is up about 9% now; trucks are running well; the new ambulance is scheduled to be delivered the end of next month; will buy a new cot and stair chair -- \$7,720; cell phones – will switch from Sprint to Alltel with the Sheriff Dept to be all on the same plan.

9:50 a.m. Break

9:57 a.m. Reconvene

FINANCE

Motion by Roper, seconded by Hollenbeck, to approve the bills from March 3, 2010 through March 16, 2010 in the amount of \$455,160.10 as presented. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

Linda Wilson, County Treasurer, presents the cash fund summary report; three funds are in a deficit: General Fund, Child Care Fund and Point Betsie Lighthouse.

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PERSONNEL

Motion by Kelley, seconded by Pitcher, to appoint Rebecca Knapp to the Animal Advisory Board. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

Motion by Roper, seconded by Walterhouse, to re-appoint Thomas J. Stobie to the Benzie Transportation Authority for a three-year term, to expire April 30, 2013. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

Motion by Roper, seconded by Pitcher, to reappoint Donald C. Smeltzer to the Manistee-Benzie Community Mental Health for a three-year term, to expire March 31, 2013. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

Motion by Roper, seconded by Kelley, to reappoint Jerry Heiman to the EMS committee for a three-year term, to expire on April 17, 2013. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Damm, to accept the resignation from Katherine Ross from the Planning Commission and send a letter of thank you. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

CORRESPONDENCE

- NMSAS minutes of December 7, 2009 received.
- Frankfort City County Airport Authority minutes of February 4, 2010 received.
- Frankfort City County Airport Authority Amended Bylaws: Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Pitcher, to send the Airport Authority Bylaws to Mr. Figura for review and determine whether or not these Bylaws can be amended without BOC approval, to protect Benzie County. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None
- Information received from My Choice Energy update on Natural Gas Prices – referred to The Green Team.
- Report received from Dave Neiger of his Planning Dept report from January 12, 2010 to March 5, 2010.
- Letter received from the Lighthouse Group of Traverse City regarding employee benefits and the economy – information.
- Petition to Reopen the Sears Estate – continue later.

11:00 a.m. Norm Campbell and Blake Brooks, Benzie County EDC

Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Hollenbeck, to authorize the discharge of the EDC Mortgage with T-Way Enterprises, LLC as presented. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

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Sears Estate: Mr. Daugherty has looked into this matter; Judge Kida has recused herself and Judge Brunner will be handling it; Linda Wilson does not remember the transfer to Council on Aging not being as adversarial as this affidavit states; we will ask Mr. Figura to ask them to follow the FOIA and OMA to the letter of the law or can we break the contract.

Comm Kelley states that it is a commonly known thing that food is going out of the facility; we have a contract with the board, not Deb Sever.

Chairman Tanner indicates that both Mr. Figura and Mr. Daugherty feel that all Millage funds need to be transferred to the COA and cannot go to the Benzie Bus unless there is a breach of the contract.

11:15 a.m. Matt McDonough, Grand Traverse Land Conservancy

We have an opportunity to add land to the Railroad Point natural area; the county could buy the Faising property – she is offering to sell; Story property is currently on the market; Land Conservancy owns property on Betsie River; could sell or assign to the county the properties acquired by the conservancy; Natural Resource trust fund; Memorandum of Understanding spells out to the parties how things will go; will look at the August 1 deadline for application.

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Hollenbeck, to adopt the Partnership Guidelines between the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy and Benzie County for the acquisition of additions to the Railroad Point Natural Area, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

Letter from Mike Okma, Conservation Easement Steward, regarding encroachments by in holders at the Railroad Point area; Ms. Faising reports that the items are not hers; tree trimming from the Marshall property to gain a view; dog kennel; dock; they have asked for a timeline for removal of the items from the conservation property.

11:40 a.m. Break

11:45 a.m. Reconvene

Marlene Wood-Zylstra, Recycling Coordinator

Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Roper, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between Benzie County and Tom Freeman for a Recycling Program Recycling Site, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Kelley, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Benzie County Central Schools to place a recycling cardboard container at Lake Ann Elementary Schools as presented, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

11:50 a.m. Sheriff Heckman

Byrne Grant -- \$100,000 – information sharing; No match. Motion by Kelley, seconded by Roper, to set the budget for receipt of the Byrne Grant as requested. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

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Motion by Kelley, seconded by Pitcher, to adopt a Secondary Road Patrol resolution when provided. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

12:00 p.m. Break for Lunch

1:15 p.m. Reconvene

Rose Coleman, Administrator, The Maples, presents their proposed Construction Project

Al Goudreau, Goudreau & Associates, Mt. Pleasant

Eric Conway, CPA with Plante Moran

A power point program was presented of the proposed addition to the Maples.

Peter Eckland, Axe & Eckland (county bond attorney), talked about bonding and the need to decide how much the county would bond; lease payments from the county to the building authority; the building authority being involved in this project; could use the ARRA bonds for this process – recovery zone facility bonds for public purpose – which is what this project is; the entire county could be declared a recovery zone; he could do a resolution for us. Then you can move forward to decide what to use your \$985,000 on. These are bonds that must be issued by December 31, 2010; these are taxable bonds. The annex would qualify as a project to complete too.

Comm Roper is concerned about bidding the project all at once; perhaps you could bid them in two phases; bonding issue was very helpful; he also has concern that the building authority was not included from the beginning; we need to be careful as we move forward that we don't end up with an empty building because we can't afford it.

Chairman Tanner agrees with Comm Roper.

Amy Bissell asks how the financing impacts those at the Maples now.

Linda Wilson asks how we handle that the millage was for operations not capital.

Comm Pitcher would be concerned that it could hurt us with other millages too.

Comm Roper wants to see the building authority more involved so that we have more information coming to the board of commissioners. Definitely want to be very careful here.

Jay Pettitt, Chairman of the Building Authority, asks if it could be phased; happy guy when he sees project costs and didn't see that. \$12.3 million is the total estimate with phase 2B.

Comm Walterhouse would like to lock up the \$985,000 and not give it to Grand Traverse County.

2:50 p.m. Break

2:55 p.m. Comm Damm excused

2:58 p.m. Reconvene

3:00 p.m. Ed Roy, Attorney

3:05 p.m. Comm Damm returns

Mr. Roy addressed the Crystal Lake Boat Launch case; supreme court has now rejected the DNR and CLPRA application for appeal so Judge Batzer's decision stood; when they met to see if they could come to an agreement, they found out that they weren't that far apart; they worked to get it settled and the parties have come to a mutual agreement.

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3:30 p.m. Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Walterhouse, to go into closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act, being MCL 15.268(h), to consider the written letter from our attorney dated March 12, 2010, which is exempt from disclosure by Section 13(1)(g) of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, being MCL 15.243(1)(g), since this letter is subject to the attorney-client privilege. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

4:00 p.m. Re-enter open session.

Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Walterhouse, to authorize the county attorney and chairman Tanner to sign the Consent Judgment with the Department of Natural Resources and Crystal Lake Property Rights Association with additional language to include winter recreational access to the lake, per Section 4.3. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Damm, Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None

CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

- Petition to Reopen Sears Estate: Mr. Daugherty will enter an appearance on this issue; it was never our intent to get those funds. Comm Pitcher suggests we consider breaking the contract.

4:08 p.m. Comm Damm excused

- Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Roper, to request a meeting with the Council on Aging Board on March 23, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm
- Letter from Ed Carter – to be discussed next week with the union.
- Letter from US Dept of Commerce re census – information only.
- Letter from Dawn Olney regarding meeting with Charles Kennard, Probation/Parole with the State of Michigan asking for more space. Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Kelley, to turn down the request for additional space for Probation/Parole. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm
- Memo from Mr. Figura regarding Repealing of the Zoning Ordinance. Motion by Roper, seconded by Walterhouse, to adopt Ordinance 2010-002 to Repeal the Benzie County Zoning Ordinance. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: Pitcher Exc: Damm and Kelley
- Top 10 Budget Cuts & Revenue Ideas – information.
- Recovery Zone information – done.
- Critical Bridge resolution request: Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Roper, to approve resolution 2010-017 Application for Critical Bridge Funds for Haze Road Bridge in Weldon Township, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm
- Critical Bridge resolution request: Motion by Roper, seconded by Kelley, to approve resolution 2010-018 Application for Critical Bridge Funds for Reynolds Road Bridge in Colfax Township, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm

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- Letter from Judy Bosma regarding the animal shelter – information only.

Michigan Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant (MI EECBG); two grants through COG; Green Team is working with the Michigan Public Service Commission grant and this is the other one with stimulus -- \$8,000 for energy audit and \$40,000 for energy improvements; Antrim County has offered to be the fiduciary for this grant; requests adoption of the MOU – an agreement that Antrim County will be the fiduciary.

Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Roper, to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding with Antrim County to be the fiduciary for the Energy Efficiency Block Grant, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm

April 21, 2010 will be a public meeting to explain the energy program to the community at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex, Government Center, Beulah, Michigan.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Comm Pitcher reported that a couple of months ago she questioned the legal fees charged to the zoning line in excess of \$10,000; journal entries have been made to correct the error; Point Betsie Lighthouse – the Fresnell Lens needs a new crate to be moved at a cost of \$7,500 to move it, the Friends will pay for it; will try and tap into some of the Save Americas Treasures Grant – will try and move it in May – will be on display; the Friends will be adding insurance to cover it too.

Comm Kelley: Nothing to add.

Comm Roper stated that Bob Weaver will be retiring from the Road Commission; Benzie Transportation Authority is working through issues of spend/reimbursement from the State; they are growing faster than they thought they would.

Comm Walterhouse reported on the Benzie Bus open house on March 24 at 12:30 p.m.; Should invite Josh Mills and a rep from the Village of Honor to attend the meeting where Ross Childs will be here to speak on septage; will need to put more money in the attorney defense line; County Administrator's job description committee. There will be a meeting on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Garden Theater in Frankfort regarding Asian Carp. Dept head meeting on March 18, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

Motion by Pitcher, seconded by Roper, to approve the ad for the County Administrator's position as presented. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm

Timelines: August 1, 2010 or October 1, 2010

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Motion by Roper, seconded by Pitcher, to adopt the job description for the County Administrator as presented. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Kelley, to adopt the October 1, timeline as presented. Motion denied. Ayes: Kelley and Walterhouse Nays: Hollenbeck, Pitcher, Roper and Tanner Exc: Damm

Motion by Hollenbeck, seconded by Pitcher, to adopt the August 1 timeline as presented. Motion carried. Ayes: Hollenbeck, Pitcher, Roper and Tanner Nays: Kelley and Walterhouse Exc: Damm

Comm Hollenbeck hands out suggestions from the Human Resource Committee; department heads would like more feedback from the Board of Commissioner meetings – better communication to all is needed; job descriptions from the six surrounding counties and any other data on their web sites; Kris will contact MAC, Tom Longanbach will check other web sites for information and get back to Kris; if job descriptions are so important and yet no one came and brought their new ones, should I set up a schedule and go to each department and push them.

Comm Tanner reported that he has talked with the courts and the Chief Judge is out until early April; does want to talk about policies and budget issues with him; David Thompson wants to talk about cell phones and can incorporate that cost into the Child Care Fund budget for 50% reimbursement; they are required to be on call 24/7; March 20, 2010 @ 6:00 p.m. come to Benzie Central High School to watch the Special Olympics play basketball against the Sheriff and others.

Comm Walterhouse the budget is about \$80,000 short – still meet and keep working on it.

5:35 p.m. Public Input

Eric VanDussen says Bonnie Inman wanted to give you a copy of an email she sent to all of the members of the COA and Deb Sever – she is calling for a special meeting of her board; regarding the probate file, will Mr. Daugherty file a formal response to that petition and affidavit; you have the right to inspect the COA files and books at all times – you should go and ask and if they deny it, then terminate the contract or withhold the funds. Can I have a copy of Mr. Figura's letter is that available to the public? Don Tanner to talk with Mr. VanDussen regarding it. Mr. Roy's letter after entry of Judgment? Will discuss it with you.

Cynthia Dutton, Coordinator at The Gathering Place, I realize that there are issues going with Benzie County COA and asks you to think strongly of who this will effect – the seniors; for many of them this is there only meal of the day; but not just with food, there is other services that will effect them too, they rely on these services. Most of these seniors, this is their family and they need the socialization and contact from meal drivers.

Kathy Ralston comments regarding better communication give the employees the motions before the minutes are sent; this is the discussion and motion.

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5:47 p.m. PUBLIC INPUT CLOSED

5:49 p.m. Motion by Roper, seconded by Pitcher, to adjourn until April 6, 2010. Motion carried.
Ayes: Hollenbeck, Kelley, Pitcher, Roper, Tanner and Walterhouse Nays: None Exc: Damm

Donald R. Tanner – Chairman

Dawn Olney – County Clerk

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