

**APPROVED**  
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MARCH SESSION - SECOND DAY**

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, March 28, 2000 at the Georgetown Township Hall at 7:00 p.m. and was called to order by the Chairman.

Mr. Schrotenboer pronounced the invocation.

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

Present at roll call: Messrs. Rinck, Vander Kam, Mohr, VanderLaan, Berghorst, Schipper, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiten, Mr. Swartout. (12)

Absent: Mr. Rycenga (1)

Mr. Henry Hilbrand, Supervisor of Georgetown Township, presented some remarks of welcome.

Public Comment:

Mr. Steve VanHoeven, County Drain Commissioner, presented remarks on the proposed Board Resolution concerning the new Drain Code advocating the defeat of the proposed resolution.

Mr. Chuck Pistis, Ottawa County Cooperative Extension Director, introduced Tim Beemer, Small Fruit Agent for Ottawa County. Mr. Beemer remarked on his excitement for his new position and John VanderKooi, blueberry farmer in Ottawa County, remarked on the pleasure of having a Small Fruit Agent in the County.

**B/C 00-084** Mr. Schrotenboer moved to approve the agenda of today as amended through recommendation of the Chair. Mr. VanderLaan supported the motion.

A point of order was raised in regard to the approval of an amended agenda without having an agenda approved to amend.

Mr. Schrotenboer withdrew his motion and Mr. VanderLaan withdrew his support for the motion.

**B/C 00-085** Mr. Schrotenboer moved to approve the agenda of today as presented. Mr. VanderLaan supported the motion and the motion passed.

**B/C 00-086** Mr. Schrotenboer moved to amend the agenda adding the appointment of a member to the Tax Allocation Board, appointment of a Building Authority Member and the appointments of the members to the Community Mental Health Board. Mr. VanderLaan supported the amended motion.

Dr. Mohr asked for a division of the question from the Chair. On voice vote the agenda was amended to add the appointments to the Tax Allocation Board and the Building Authority.

On a voice vote the Community Mental Health Board appointments were added to the agenda. Dr. Mohr asked for a roll call to determine the two thirds necessary to place the issue on the agenda. Roll call: Yeas: Messrs. VanderLaan, Berghorst, Schipper, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiten, Mr. Swartout. (8) Nays: Messrs. Mohr, Haveman, Rinck, Vander Kam. (4)

The motion to add the CMH appointments to the agenda was defeated.

Mr. Schrotenboer and Mr. VanderLaan left the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

**B/C 00-087** Mr. Vander Kam moved to approve the following Consent Resolutions:

1. To approve the Minutes of the March 14, and March 20, 2000, Board of Commissioners' Meetings.
2. To approve the general claims in the amount of \$5,611,273.50 as presented by the summary report for March 1 through March 17, 2000.
3. To receive as information the MIS Survey Results.
4. To receive as information the Drain Commissioner's Annual Report.
5. To receive as information the County Clerk's Annual Report.
6. To receive as information the County Treasurer's Annual Report.
7. To authorize the payroll of March 20, 2000, and March 28, 2000, in the amount of \$1,099.71.

Mr. Rinck supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Berghorst, Schipper, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rinck, Vander Kam, Mohr, Swartout. (10)

**B/C 00-088** Dr. Mohr moved to approve the Amendment Number 24 of the Grand Valley Metro Council Articles of Incorporation. Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion passed.

**B/C 00-089** Dr. Mohr moved to approve the resolution authorizing the submittal of a grant application in the amount of \$910,000 to Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for the Grand River Ravines Acquisition Project. Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Berghorst, Schipper, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rinck, Vander Kam, Mohr, Swartout. (10)

**B/C 00-090** Dr. Mohr moved to receive the tabulation of bids for the Spring Grove Improvements Project and authorize award of contract to the low bidder, Katerburg Verhage, Inc. in the amount of \$189,817. Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rinck, Vander Kam, Mohr, Berghorst, Schipper, Swartout. (10)

**B/C 00-091** Dr. Mohr moved to approve the resolution regarding the Drain Code (HB 4803) and Watershed Management (HB 5359) revisions as a substitute resolution for the Drain Code Resolution previously considered by the Board. Mr. Vander Kam supported the motion and the motion failed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Haveman, Rinck, Mohr, Swartout. (4) Nays: Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Vander Kam, Berghorst, Schipper, Ms. Visscher. (6)

Appointments:

**B/C 00-092** Mr. Vander Kam moved to nominate David VanderKooi to the Tax Allocation Board. Mr. Schipper supported the motion and the motion passed.

**B/C 00-093** Mr. Rinck moved to nominate Jack Smant to the Ottawa County Building Authority Board. Mr. Vander Kam supported the motion.

**B/C 00-094** Ms. Visscher moved to table motion B/C 00-93. Mr. Haveman supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rinck, Berghorst, Schipper, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Haveman, Swartout. (8) Nays: Messrs. Vander Kam and Mohr. (2)

Discussion Items:

James Mankoski, MIS Director, explained the MIS Survey Results.

Linda Brown, Chief Deputy Drain Commissioner, presented the Drain Commissioner's Annual Report.

Daniel Krueger, County Clerk, presented the County Clerk's Annual Report.

Mary Richardson, County Treasurer, presented the County Treasurer's Annual Report.

The Administrator's Report was presented.

Public Comments:

Celeste Jordan addressed the Board on the Ottawa Shores Humane Society.

R.J. Poel, Georgetown Township Clerk, addressed the Board.

**B/C 00-095** Mr. Vander Kam moved to adjourn at 9:28 p.m. subject to the call of the Chairman. Dr. Mohr supported the motion and the motion passed.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk and DENNIS W. SWARTOUT, Chairman  
Of the Board of Commissioners