

**APPROVED  
PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
JUNE SESSION - FIRST DAY**

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Chairman.

Mrs. Ruiter pronounced the invocation.

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

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

Absent: Dr. Mohr (1)

Public Comment:

Dr. J. Randall Bergers thanked the Board of Commissioners for the Infrastructure Fund and appreciated the the financial planning the Board has done to allow the fund to grow over the years. He appreciated the time and effort the Board put forth in forming their decisions and also the work that Bob Oosterbaan and his staff contributed to these decisions. Dr. Bergers stressed that the fund should be continued.

Jose Gomez, President of the Coopersville Board of Education, supported the application for the grant for the 48th Ave Safety Improvements Project submitted by the Coopersville Public School and stated the new road entrance to the campus will provide a much needed safety factor for all individuals using the facilities.

Mr. Ken Bush, Mayor of Coopersville City, stated the City supports this entrance and feels it is needed because of the volume of traffic in the area. The school system is on one campus. He ask the Board to consider giving its support to the 48th Ave. Safety Improvements Project.

Mr. Tom O' Malley, Manager of Coopersville City, felt that this was a much needed project and that the Coopersville area has always been a neglected area of the the county. He ask the Board to give consideration to the passage of the 48th Ave Safety Improvements Project.

**B/C 00-135** Mr. VanderLaan moved to approve the agenda of today as presented . Mr. Rinck supported the motion and the motion passed.

**B/C 00-136** Mr. VanderLaan moved to approve the following Consent Resolution:

1. To approve the Minutes of the May 23, 2000, Board of Commissioners' Meeting.
2. To receive as information the Correspondence Log 28.
3. To authorize the payroll of June 13, 2000, in the amount of \$588.91.
4. To approve the general claims in the amount of \$1,728,387.38 as presented by the summary report for May 15 through May 31, 2000.

Mr. Rycenga supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rinck, Rycenga, Vander Kam, VanderLaan, Berghorst, Schipper, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mr. Swartout. (12)

**B/C 00-137** Mr. Rycenga moved to approve an additional one percent (1%) wage increase for temporary employees in Juvenile Detention to equal contract wage agreement to be effective upon approval. (Two percent (2%) already approved 01/01/00) Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Rinck, Rycenga, Vander Kam, VanderLaan, Berghorst, Schipper, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Swartout. (12)

**B/C 00-138** Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the funding request from the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District and Coopersville Area Public Schools in the amount of \$88,880 for the 48th Avenue Safety Improvements Project, funding to come from the Infrastructure Fund. Ms. Visscher supported the motion.

**B/C 00-139** Mr. Schrotenboer moved to amend the language of the Infrastructure Fund Policy to add the words "For today's motion remove the words unique, special and non-routine." Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion failed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Rycenga, VanderLaan Berghorst, Schrotenboer. (4)

Nays: Messrs. Vander Kam, Schipper, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Rinck, Mr. Swartout. (8)

A vote was then taken on B/C 00-138 and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. VanderLaan, Berghorst, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Rinck, Mr. Rycenga. (7)

Nays: Messrs. Vander Kam, Schipper, Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mr. Swartout. (5)

**B/C 00-140** Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Resolution for the Municipal Landfill Cost-Share Grant Agreement Mr. Haveman supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. VanderLaan, Berghorst, Schipper, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Kortman, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Rinck, Rycenga, Vander Kam, Swartout. (12)

**Public Comment:**

Jose Gomez, President of the Coopersville Board of Education, thanked the Board of Commissioners and a special thanks from the citizens of the NE area for their support of the 48th Ave. Safety Improvements Project.

Mr. Ken Bush, Mayor of Coopersville City, stated the grant was a much needed project. Mr. Bush felt that the safety of the children was an important factor in making a decision and thanked the Commissioners for the passage of the 48th Ave. Safety Improvements Project.

Mr. Tom O' Malley, Manager of Coopersville City, told the Board he appreciated the passage of the 48th Ave. Safety Improvements Project.

Jose Gomez, President of the Coopersville Board of Education, encouraged the Board of County Commissioners to keep the Infrastructure Fund in place and commented on its uniqueness to the county. He extended his appreciation for the passage of the 48th Ave. Safety Improvements Project.

**B/C 00-141** Mr. Vander Laan moved to adjourn at 2:20 p.m. subject to the call of the Chairman. Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion passed.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk

DENNIS W. SWARTOUT, Chairman

Of the Board of Commissioners

