## Approved PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OCTOBER WORK SESSION

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Monday, October 15, 2001, at 6:31 p.m. and was called to order by the Vice-Chairman.

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

Present at roll call: Messrs. Rinck, Rycenga (arrived at 6:38 p.m.), Mohr (arrived at 6:44 p.m.), VanderLaan, Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Haveman, Mrs. Ruiter. (9)

Absent: Messrs. Vander Kam, Berghorst, Mrs. Kortman, Mr. Swartout. (4)

Guests: Robert Oosterbaan, Administrator; Mark Knudsen, Planning & Grants Director; Greg Rappleye, Corporate Counsel; Frank Cusmano, Lobbyist; Gary Reed, Lobbyist; Judge Richard Kloote; Judge Susan Jonas; Barry Kantz, District Court Administrator; Gary Rosema, Sheriff; Dale Vredeveld, Undersheriff; Mark Scheerhorn, Administrative Services Director; Daniel Krueger, County Clerk

## **Work Session Items**

1. Introduction of Lobbyists: Frank Cusmano and Gary Reed - Mark Knudsen introduced the County's Lobbyists, Frank Cusmano and Gary Reed. Mr. Cusmano and Mr. Reed introduced their firm and the advantages of their firm.

Mr. Rycenga arrived at 6:38 p.m.

Dr. Mohr arrived at 6:44 p.m.

2. Communication Specialist - Mark Knudsen reported on information regarding Communication employees in other counties. Discussion centered around the values of a full-time vs. part-time person or hiring a consultant to do the work.

Mr. Rycenga left at 7:36 p.m.

Mr. Rinck left at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Scheerhorn reviewed proposed plans for renovation of the Grand Haven Building which includes a new pod on the jail at the Fillmore Street Complex.

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk DENNIS W. SWARTOUT, Chairman

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