

APPROVED
PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER SESSION - FIRST MEETING

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, September 9, 2003, at 1:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Chair.

Mr. Schrotenboer pronounced the invocation.

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

Present at roll call: Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Kuyers, Swartout, Mrs. Ruiters, Messrs. Rinck, Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Berghorst, VanderLaan, Vander Kam. (11)

Public Comments

Garry Smeyers, 6541 -120th Ave., Olive Township, read a letter addressed to the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners regarding Public Safety for Children. He formally requested the Board's endorsement and/or response to the statements. He also requested permission to discuss the public health and safety of children before the Mental Health and Human Services Committees. The Chair stated they would taken this under consideration.

B/C 03-166 Mr. VanderLaan moved to approve the agenda of today as presented and amended to strike the duplicate motion for "Parenting Plus Supervisory". Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion as amended and the amended motion passed.

B/C 03-167 Mr. VanderLaan moved to approve the following Consent Resolutions:

1. To approve the Minutes of the August 26, 2003, Board of Commissioners' Meeting.
2. To receive as information the Correspondence Log 325.
3. To authorize the payroll of September 9, 2003, in the amount of \$545.12.
4. To approve the general claims in the amount of \$4,562,622.44 as presented by the summary report for August 18, 2003 through August 31, 2003.

Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Rycenga, Vander Kam, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. VanderLaan, Berghorst, Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Rinck, Mrs. Ruiters, Mr. Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-168 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Resolution authorizing the County Equalization Director to audit "Homestead Exemptions" within Ottawa County from October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2005. Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mr. Vander Kam, Mrs. Ruiters, Mr. VanderLaan, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Berghorst, Rinck, Rycenga, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-169 Mr. Rycenga moved to recommend the IRS mileage rate and approve the Resolution regarding juror mileage rates and compensation. Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion passed as shown

by the following votes: Yeas: Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Rinck, Berghorst, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Rycenga, Vander Kam, Kuyers, VanderLaan, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-170 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Resolution of Intent to Increase 2003 Millage Rate for Ottawa County to 4.2857 mills. Mr. Rinck supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. VanderLaan, Vander Kam, Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Kuyers, Berghorst, Mrs. Ruiter, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Rinck, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-171 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Resolution of Intent to Increase the 2003 Millage Rate for E-911 to .4429 mills. Mr. Rinck supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Berghorst, Kuyers, VanderLaan, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Vander Kam, Schrotenboer, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Rycenga, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Rinck, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-172 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Resolution of Intent to Increase the 2003 Millage Rate for Parks to .3182 mills. Mr. VanderLaan supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Kuyers, Berghorst, Rinck, VanderLaan, Mrs. Kortman, Mr. Rycenga, Mrs. Ruiter, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Vander Kam, Schrotenboer, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-173 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Resolution Regarding the Distribution of Convention Facility Tax Revenues to Counties Under Public Acts 106 and 107 of 1985. Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mr. Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Rycenga, Vander Kam, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Kuyers, Rinck, VanderLaan, Berghorst, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-174 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the Resolution Regarding the Distribution of Cigarette Tax Revenues to Counties Under Public Acts 219 and 264 of 1987. Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Vander Kam, Kuyers, VanderLaan, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Berghorst, Rinck, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-175 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the following wage and benefit adjustments for 2004 for Elected Officials, County and Court Unclassified employees (excluding Judges and the Board of Commissioners):

1. Wages: Effective January 1, 2004: Increasing the existing salary schedule by two percent (2%).
2. Health Plan Wellness/Prevention: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual per person wellness/prevention amount in the health plan from \$250 to \$300.
3. Health Plan Co-pay: Effective January 1, 2004: Implement employee co-pay of twenty percent (20%) on the difference in actuarial determined cost between each year and 2003. Example: Single coverage cost in 2003 is \$3,211. For 2004, the cost is \$3,792. Employees choosing single coverage in 2004 will pay 20% of the difference of $.20 \times \$581 = \116.20 .
4. Health Plan, Out-Of-Network: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual out-of-pocket maximum on out-of-network claims from \$1,100 (Single)/\$1,200 (Family) to \$1,650/\$1,800.
5. Dental Coverage: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual maximum from \$800 to \$1,200 (Dental Option II) and from \$1,000 to \$1,400 (Dental Option I).

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

Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-176 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve an increase in the hourly wages of the County's temporary (non-seasonal) employees (excluding Relief ISP Officer, Cadet, Part-time Road Patrol Deputy, Part-time Corrections Officer, Reserve/Marine Patrol Officer, Mounted/Reserve Officer, Gatekeeper, Bailiff, Scientific Support Unit Specialist) of two percent (2%) effective January 1, 2004. Mr. VanderLaan supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mr. Rinck, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Schrotenboer, Kuyers, Vander Kam, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. VanderLaan, Rycenga, Berghorst, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-177 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the following wage and benefit adjustments for 2004 for the Parenting Plus Supervisory employee(s):

1. Wages: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the existing Parenting Plus Supervisory salary schedule by two percent (2%).
2. Health Plan Wellness/Prevention: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual per person wellness/prevention amount in the health plan from \$250 to \$300.
3. Health Plan Co-pay: Effective January 1, 2004: Implement employee co-pay of twenty percent (20%) on the difference in actuarial determined cost between each year and 2003. Example: Single coverage cost in 2003 is \$3,211. For 2004, the cost is \$3,792. Employees choosing single coverage in 2004 will pay 20% of the difference of $.20 \times \$581 = \116.20 .
4. Health Plan, Out-Of-Network: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual out-of-pocket maximum on out-of-network claims from \$1,100 (Single)/\$1,200 (Family) to \$1,650/\$1,800.
5. Dental Coverage: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual maximum from \$800 to \$1,200 (Dental Option II) and from \$1,000 to \$1,400 (Dental Option I).

Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. Rycenga, Vander Kam, Mrs., Kortman, Messrs. VanderLaan, Berghorst, Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Mr. Rinck, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-178 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the following wage and benefit adjustments for 2004 for the Parenting Plus Non-Supervisory employee(s):

1. Wages: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the existing Parenting Plus Non-Supervisory salary schedule by two percent (2%).
2. Health Plan Wellness/Prevention: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual per person wellness/prevention amount in the health plan from \$250 to \$300.
3. Health Plan Co-pay: Effective January 1, 2004: Implement employee co-pay of twenty percent (20%) on the difference in actuarial determined cost between each year and 2003. Example: Single coverage cost in 2003 is \$3,211. For 2004, the cost is \$3,792. Employees choosing single coverage in 2004 will pay 20% of the difference of $.20 \times \$581 = \116.20 .
4. Health Plan, Out-Of-Network: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual out-of-pocket maximum on out-of-network claims from \$1,100 (Single)/\$1,200 (Family) to \$1,650/\$1,800.

5. Dental Coverage: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual maximum from \$800 to \$1,200 (Dental Option II) and from \$1,000 to \$1,400 (Dental Option I).

Mr. Berghorst supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Mr. Vander Kam, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. VanderLaan, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Berghorst, Rinck, Rycenga, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-179 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve the following wage and benefit adjustments for 2004 for the County's non-represented, non-supervisory full-time and regular part-time (Group W) employees:

1. Wages: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the existing salary schedule by two percent (2%).
2. Health Plan Wellness/Prevention: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual per person wellness/prevention amount in the health plan from \$250 to \$300.
3. Health Plan Co-pay: Effective January 1, 2004: Implement employee co-pay of twenty percent (20%) on the difference in actuarial determined cost between each year and 2003. Example: Single coverage cost in 2003 is \$3,211. For 2004, the cost is \$3,792. Employees choosing single coverage in 2004 will pay 20% of the difference of $.20 \times \$581 = \116.20 .
4. Health Plan, Out-Of-Network: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual out-of-pocket maximum on out-of-network claims from \$1,100 (Single)/\$1,200 (Family) to \$1,650/\$1,800.
5. Dental Coverage: Effective January 1, 2004: Increase the annual maximum from \$800 to \$1,200 (Dental Option II) and from \$1,000 to \$1,400 (Dental Option I).

Mr. VanderLaan supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Rinck, Berghorst, Mrs. Ruiter, Mr. Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Rycenga, Vander Kam, Kuyers, VanderLaan, Swartout. (11)

B/C 03-180 Mr. Rycenga moved to approve an increase in the hourly wages for the following non-seasonal, temporary positions: Sheriff's Department Cadet to \$9.3795 per hour and Scientific Support Specialist to \$10.50 per hour effective January 1, 2004. Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes: Yeas: Messrs. VanderLaan, Vander Kam, Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Kuyers, Berghorst, Mrs. Ruiter, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Rinck, Swartout. (11)

Discussion Items

2004 Budget - A powerpoint presentation of the 2004 Budget was presented by Rosemary Zink, Finance Director. Mr. Schrotenboer stated the imaging issue would be addressed at the Board Work Session. Mr. Rycenga requested a hard copy of the powerpoint presentation which will be e-mailed to the Commissioners.

Several Commissioners reported on meeting attended and future meetings to be held.

B/C 03-181 Mr. VanderLaan moved to adjourn at 2:20 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed.

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