

**APPROVED  
PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**Tuesday, January 6, 2004 1:50 PM  
Fillmore Administration Building - Board Room  
12220 Fillmore Street, West Olive**

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, January 6, 2004, at 1:50 p.m. and was called to order by the Deputy Clerk.

Mr. Swartout pronounced the invocation.

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

Present at roll call: Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Kuyers, Swartout, Rinck, Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Berghorst, VanderLaan, Vander Kam. (10)

Absent: Mrs. Ruiter. (1)

The Deputy Clerk opened the floor for nominations for Temporary Chairperson.

Mr. Schrotenboer nominated Mrs. Kortman. Mr. Rinck supported the nomination.

B/C 04-001 Mr. Schrotenboer moved the nominations be closed and the Deputy Clerk cast an unanimous ballot for Mrs. Kortman. Mr. Rinck supported the motion and the motion passed.

Mrs. Kortman as Temporary Chair opened the nominations for Chairperson of the Board.

Mr. Schrotenboer nominated Mr. Swartout. Mr. VanderLaan supported the nomination.

Mr. Rycenga nominated Mr. Berghorst. Mr. Rinck supported the nomination.

B/C 04-002 Mr. VanderLaan moved the nominations be closed and to use a secret ballot for nomination of the Chairman of the Board. Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed as shown by the following votes:  
Yeas: Messrs. Vander Kam, VanderLaan, Ms. Visscher, Messrs. Kuyers, Schrotenboer, Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Berghorst, Rinck, Rycenga, Swartout. (10)

Results of the secret ballot were as follows:

Mr. Swartout - 6  
Mr. Berghorst - 4

Mr. Swartout occupied the Chair and called for nominations for the office of Vice Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Schrotenboer nominated Mr. VanderLaan. Ms. Visscher supported the nomination.

Mr. Vander Kam nominated Mr. Rycenga. Mr. Rinck supported the nomination.

B/C 04-003 Mr. Schrotenboer moved nominations be closed for Vice Chairman. Ms. Visscher supported the motion and the motion passed.

The results of the roll call vote were as follows:

Ms. Visscher - VanderLaan  
Mr. Rinck - Rycenga  
Mr. Berghorst - VanderLaan  
Mr. Schrotenboer - VanderLaan  
Mrs. Kortman - VanderLaan

Mr. Rycenga - Rycenga  
Mr. Vander Kam - Rycenga  
Mr. Kuyers - Rycenga  
Mr. VanderLaan - VanderLaan  
Mr. Swartout - VanderLaan

Total votes were as follows: Mr. VanderLaan - 6, Mr. Rycenga - 4.

The Chair declared Mr. VanderLaan as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

The Deputy Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Mr. Swartout stated the Board would function under the existing Board Rules until the new Board Rules are adopted.

The Invocation List for the year was distributed.

B/C 004-004 Mr. VanderLaan moved to adjourn at 2:04 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. Mr. Schrotenboer supported the motion and the motion passed.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk  
Of the Board of Commissioners

DENNIS W. SWARTOUT, Chairman  
Of the Board of Commissioner

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## Agenda

December 23, 2003

TO ALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners will meet on **Tuesday, January 6, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Board of Commissioners Room, Fillmore Street Complex, West Olive, Michigan for the purpose of **Organization of the Board for the year 2004.**

The Agenda is as follows:

1. Call to order by the Clerk
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Roll Call
5. Elect Temporary Chairperson  
Elect Chairperson  
Elect Vice-Chairperson
6. Oath of Office for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment