

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 24, 2007

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Reinhardt, Roloff, Tripp, Christensen, Evans and Drebenstedt, 6.

Undersheriff Don Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Evans to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2007, meeting as presented. VOICE VOTE: All in favor. Motion carried.

UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Taylor indicated that he has concerns with both Ordinance #3 and Ordinance #7. He feels that the Public Act number is incorrect on one of the Ordinances. He reported that MSU is putting on a seminar concerning using Robert's Rules of Order. He is happy that the handicapped sign is now back up. Mr. Taylor reported that Mark Muniak is working on the Civil Infraction Ordinance.

DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

The Board reviewed the following reports for 2006 from the Medical Examiner, Animal Control, the Treasurer's Investment report.

The Board reviewed bids for removing carpet and installing linoleum in the Control Room at the Jail. Bids were submitted by Bartlett's in the amount of \$2,678.00 and the Carpet Connection in the amount of \$2,113.58. Moved by Commissioner Drebenstedt to award the bid to Bartlett's. VOICE VOTE: All in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION—BANK DEPOSITORIES FOR 2007 (#07-002)

Moved by Commissioner Drebenstedt that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following banks designated as depositories of Charlevoix County funds for 2007; Huntington Bank of Boyne City, Charlevoix and East Jordan; Citizens Bank of Charlevoix and East Jordan; Northwestern Bank of Charlevoix and Traverse City; Standard Federal Bank; Chase (formerly known as Bank One) and Fifth Third Securities of Petoskey; Charlevoix State Bank of Charlevoix; National City Bank of Petoskey; Flagstar Bank; first of Michigan/Fahnestock; Salomon Smith Barney, Edward Jones Investments; UBS Financial Services, Inc., the Cambridge Group, Multi-Bank Securities, Inc. and MBIA/Municipal Investors; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to use the above designated banks. VOICE VOTE: All in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION—NADDI LE GRANT APPLICATION (#07-003)

Moved by Commissioner Drebenstedt that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department has learned that there are grant funds available for preventing prescription drug abuse through the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators; and

WHEREAS, the funding request is for \$10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this funding is to enable the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department to better focus on the unlawful diversion of prescription drugs throughout Charlevoix County; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes this grant application and further authorizes the Chairman to sign said grant. VOICE VOTE: All in favor. Motion carried.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Undersheriff Don Schneider addressed the Board concerning the Zodiak boat that they were able to purchase from a \$60,000.00 grant received in 2006. They paid the original invoice for approximately \$46,000.00. He feels that there was a lack of communication and Zodiak indicates that they owe an additional \$12,000.00 plus. The Marine Division felt that the entire bill was paid and used the outstanding grant funds for Marine supplies. The Marine budget will have funds left in their capital outlay in 2007 if they do not purchase everything budgeted, to pay this additional amount once it is determined that Charlevoix County owes it. Undersheriff Schneider is pursuing this matter to see what, if anything, is still owed on the Zodiak boat.

Undersheriff Schneider also indicated that the vehicle that they use to haul the boats is in need of replacing. He is recommending revising the Marine grant to allow for a vehicle lease for 60 months. They would be approximately \$2,000.00 short on the down payment, but he feels that they could take the funds from the money budgeted for vehicles.

He addressed the issue of their \$80,000.00 deficit in 2006. He provided the Board with a list of revenue that they received. Revenue for services rendered are deposited into the Sheriff's revenue account, but not into the expenditure account to directly offset the additional expenditure incurred. After discussion Commissioner Reinhardt suggested that when there is an opportunity to receive additional funds for services, such as extra patrols on the lakes for the Walloon Lake Association, which will require more expenditures, they should come to the Public Safety Committee to authorize the agreement for additional funds with the organization willing to pay for the service as well as authorizing a budget amendment to offset the additional expense. This should avoid a budget deficit in the future.

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Correspondence was received as follows: the resignation of Edward Holm from the Veteran's Affairs Board. Commissioner Reinhardt indicated that the Public Safety Committee would be making a recommendation to the full Board for a replacement on the Veteran's Board. Correspondence was also received from the MAC Legislative Update, DEQ, Dept of Labor, CMS Energy, MAC Legislative priorities and a flyer from NLEA for their annual luncheon. All items of correspondence were reviewed and either referred to the appropriate committee or filed.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Tripp would like to have a microphone at the table for the audience. She asked if Commissioner Reinhardt had inquired about a microphone for the speaker's table. She reported that she attended her first Planning Commission meeting as well as a meeting concerning the Big Rock property. She also attended Recycling and Mental Health.

Commissioner Christensen reported on the NLEA luncheon to be held on March 2, 2007. He has concerns over the Sheriff's budget. He also questioned why the carpet has not been removed from the Jail yet. Undersheriff Schneider will give a progress report at the Committee of the Whole on the carpet removal.

Bob Tripp doesn't understand why the money for services can't go directly to the Sheriff's Department.

Fred Gray, PNR, questioned why the high bid was given instead of the low bid for the carpet removal and installation of alternative flooring at the Jail. Commissioner Drebenstedt indicated that the County had used Bartlett's in the past and they were also a Charlevoix County business paying taxes in Charlevoix County.

Commissioner Evans wanted to know if the letters that the Board members received need to be addressed.

Kevin Stark briefly addressed his letter.

Chairperson Roloff indicated that this was an issue for the Personnel Committee and asked that the Department Heads for these employees be present at the next Personnel meeting.

Commissioner Drebenstedt reported that he has been busy with the Commission on Aging. He will be going to the next Area Agency on Aging meeting. He is looking forward to attending his first Substance Abuse meeting. He also indicated that he would like to attend the MAC conference in February.

Commissioner Reinhardt would like to verify the proposed roster. He also reported that the Humane Society has asked that the County put a dollar donation option for the Humane Society on the tax notices.

Commissioner Tripp would like to see both committees meet at the same time of the day to avoid confusion between the committees. It was decided that both the Personnel/Internal Government Committee and the Building & Grounds/Public Safety/Judicial Committee would meet at 9:30 a.m. Chairperson Roloff would like it noted in the minutes that the Board's appointment to the COA would be a voting member.

Bob Taylor reported that the door at the end of the handicapped ramp off the Clerk's lobby is sometimes locked and he would like to see it unlocked at all times.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

SHIRLEY J. ROLOFF, CHAIRMAN

JANE E. BRANNON, COUNTY CLERK