

**MECOSTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**NOVEMBER 20, 2008**

Chr. Ray Steinke called the evening session of the Mecosta County Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 P.M. in Commission Room 102 of the County Courthouse. All those present stood and recited the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

Commissioners present on roll call: Chr. Ray Steinke, Vice-Chr. Jerry Williams, Kevin Courtney, Linda Howard, Ruth Hess, Eric O'Neil and William Routley.

Others present: Paul Bullock, County Administrator and Marcee Purcell, Mecosta County Clerk.

**REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA – ADDITIONS:**

R. Hess moved to approve the Agenda as presented with the addition of 6.3 under New Business - Resolution #2008-21, Endorsement of Roben Hood Airport Runway Extension. J. Williams supported; motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

K. Courtney moved to approve the October 16, 2008 Board Minutes as presented. J. Williams supported; motion carried.

**PUBLIC MATTERS & COMMENTS:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**5.1 EQUALIZATION – PARCEL MAINTENANCE FEES**

Shila Kiander, Equalization Director, was present to discuss the increase of the annual maintenance fee per parcel for the 2009 assessment/tax cycle.

R. Hess moved to adopt the new maintenance fee of \$2.00 per parcel. K. Courtney supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

**SCHEDULED APPEARANCE:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**6.1 M.C. RESOLUTION #08-20, SANITARY DRAIN CODE**

Linda VanGills from District 10 Health appeared to answer questions regarding the Amendment to the Sanitary Drain Code Point of Sale Program.

R. Hess moved to adopt Mecosta County Resolution #2008-20, Amendment to Sanitary Drain Code Chapter 11 Point of Sale. E. O’Neil supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

**6.2 REGISTER OF DEEDS/REQUEST TO FILL VACANCY  
DRAIN COMMISSION/REQUEST TO FILL VACANCY**

K. Courtney moved to fill the vacancies in the Register of Deeds office and Drain Commission office. J. Williams supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

**6.3 M.C. RESOLUTION #08-21, EXTENSION TO ROBEN HOOD AIRPORT RUNWAY**

E. O’Neil moved to adopt Mecosta County Resolution #2008-21, Endorsement of Roben Hood Airport Runway Extension. R. Hess supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

**FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

Housing Rehab Report – Ann Gilbert

W. Routley moved to accept and place on file the Housing Rehab Report. J. Williams supported; motion carried.

Special Drain Assessment/Budget Amendment - Administrator

W. Routley moved to approve the budget amendment for a Special Drain Assessment for Cummins Drain in Wheatland Township by the addition of \$2,100 from Unreserved Contingency and the Administrator authorized to make payment of \$2,411 and request 50% reimbursement from the Road Commission for their portion. E. O’Neil supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

Budget Alterations/Various – Administrator

W. Routley moved to approve the budget alterations as submitted from Commissioners Office 101-101, Circuit Court 101-139, Probate Court 101-148, and Drain Commission 101-275. J. Williams supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

Listed Vouchers -

W. Routley moved to pay the pre-approved vouchers in the amount of \$601,857.08 and approve and pay non-approved vouchers in the amount of \$47,673.75. J. Williams supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

W. Routley reported attending Hospital Luncheon, Plan Board, Vets Luncheon at Commission on Aging, Downtown Business Association Meeting, Ribbon Cutting for Mecosta County Medical Center –

Canadian Lakes, Finance Committee, Commission on Aging, Building & Zoning Meeting, Physicians' Appreciation Dinner and tonight's Commission Meeting.

**Building & Zoning:**

W. Routley moved to approve the request from the Building Administrator to post and fill the vacancy of Senior Permit Technician. R. Hess supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

W. Routley moved to refund a special use permit fee of \$125. J. Williams supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

L. Howard reported attending Hospital Luncheon, Wheatland Township Meeting, Park Board, Ribbon Cutting for Mecosta County Medical Center – Canadian Lakes, Timberland Meeting in Grand Rapids and tonight's Commission Meeting.

E. O'Neil reported attending Hospital Luncheon, Downtown Development Authority, Ad Hoc Finance Committee, Finance and tonight's Commission Meeting.

J. Williams reported attending Mid Michigan Community Action, EMS Interviews, West Michigan CA, Jensen Lake Improvement Board Meeting, Finance, Building & Zoning Meeting, EMS and tonight's Commission Meeting.

**EMS:**

J. Williams moved to approve the October contractual write-offs of \$43,937.18 and non-contractual write-offs of \$12,004.42. R. Hess supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

J. Williams moved that Mecosta County work with Central Dispatch to transfer control and responsibility for the radio transmission infrastructure to Meceola Central Dispatch. R. Hess supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

J. Williams moved to approve Mr. Ladd's request to offer old hand-held radios to the posse as a donation. R. Hess supported; roll call vote 7 yeas, 0 nays; motion carried.

J. Williams moved to approve Mr. Ladd's request to fill one full-time vacancy. R. Hess supported; motion carried.

K. Courtney reported attending Hospital Luncheon, Physicians' Appreciation Dinner and tonight's Commission Meeting.

R. Hess reported attending Hospital Luncheon, Mecosta Township Meeting, Big Rapids Township Meeting, Building & Zoning Meeting, EMS, Physicians' Appreciation Dinner and tonight's Commission Meeting.

R. Steinke reported attending Hospital Luncheon, Central Dispatch, Hinton Township Meeting, Central Dispatch, MOTA, Finance, EMS Meeting and tonight's Commission Meeting.

**ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:**

Laptop computer has been ordered.

**PUBLIC MATTERS & COMMENTS:**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS, MINUTES & REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS:**

R. Hess moved to accept and place on file Minutes & Reports #1-4. K. Courtney supported; motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Employee Awards scheduled for December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m. followed by a luncheon.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

W. Routley moved to adjourn to the next regular scheduled meeting or call of the Chair. K. Courtney supported; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

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Marcee M. Purcell, Mecosta County Clerk and  
Clerk of the Mecosta County Board of Commissioners

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Raymond Steinke, Chair of the  
Mecosta County Board of Commissioners