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May 14, 2009 Session

MAY 14, 2009 SESSION - INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, met in the Commissioners' Room of the County Services Building in the Township of Allegan on May 14, 2009, at 1:00 P.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of April 22, 2009, and rules of this Board; Chairman Jones presiding. Administrator Rob Sarro stated the Board would convene outside for a special dedication and memorial to Debra Daniels. Chairman Jones stated that upon conclusion of the service, the Board would recess until 3:00 p.m. to permit attendance at the dedication of the Medical Care Facility.

The ceremony commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Jones and opening prayer led by the Reverend Brian Steenhoek, Pastor of the Voice of Hope Church in Wayland.

Chairman Jones read the resolution honoring Debra Daniels for her dedication and service to the county. The Honor Guard raised the County Flag which will be presented to Deb's family after the service on Saturday along with our collective and heartfelt sympathy.

**ALLEGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
I N M E M O R I A M**

Debra R. Daniels

November 27, 1969 - May 10, 2009

TO THE HONORABLES, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, our Almighty God in His providence has removed from this life, our friend and co-worker, Debra R. Daniels; and

WHEREAS, the members of this Board, recognize her commitment to Allegan County and the Human Resources Department from January 12, 2004, until her passing May 10, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Debbie was born in Marshfield, Wisconsin and was particularly active in community service and activities throughout the years as Human Resources Director since September 5, 2005, she was a member of the County negotiating team, a member of the Society for Human Resources Management, a Certified Labor Relations Professional, and recipient of numerous awards and certifications relating to her professional associations, and was committed to serving others by leading with her heart; and

WHEREAS, Debbie greatly enjoyed sharing her cooking, baking, scrapbooking and stamping talents with others. In addition to her work and school related obligations, she also enjoyed time and activities with her family, friends, and her dogs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Allegan County Board of Commissioners, deploring her loss, not only to her family, but to her friends, to the public and to ourselves, do hereby extend our sincere sympathy to her bereaved family; and in cherishing her memory in respect to her many virtues, we do hereby instruct the Clerk of this Board to properly inscribe a page of this Journal to her memory and to forward a copy of this resolution to her family.

Dated at Allegan, Michigan, this 14th day of May, 2009.

Larry "Casey" Jones, Chairman

Donald DeYoung, Vice-Chairman

This resolution was read by Commissioner _____. The members of the Board of Commissioners led a moment of silence to honor the memory of Debra R. Daniels, and the Honor Guard raised the County Flag.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
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COUNTY OF ALLEGAN)

I, Joyce A. Watts, Clerk of the Allegan County Board of Commissioners and Clerk of the County of Allegan, do hereby Certify that the Above Resolution was duly adopted by said Board on May 14, 2009.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County and Court in Allegan, Michigan, this 14th day of May 2009.

Joyce A. Watts, Clerk-Register

RECONVENE - ROLL CALL

3/ Upon reconvening at 3:00 p.m. the following members answered as Commissioners for the respective Districts:

DIST #1	TERRY BURNS	DIST #7	DON BLACK
DIST #2	STEVE McNEAL	DIST #8	TOM JESSUP
DIST #3	PAUL VANECK	DIST #9	FRITZ SPREITZER
DIST #4	MARK DeYOUNG	DIST #10	JON CAMPBELL
DIST #5	DEAN KAPENGA	DIST #11	LARRY JONES
DIST #6	MAX THIELE		

COMMUNICATIONS - DISTRIBUTED TO BOARD MEMBERS ELECTRONICALLY

4/ The following communications were distributed to Commissioners electronically in their Board packets

1. Letter from DHS regarding overdue billings for FY-2009 Cooperative Reimbursement Contract.
2. Letter from State Tax Commission regarding the IFT revocation request from the City of Allegan regarding Cosby Coatings Corporation.
3. Resolution from the Lenawee County Board regarding Proposal A property tax burden.
4. Resolution from Luce County regarding State restoration of revenue sharing.
5. Resolution from Leighton Township regarding placing the 911 surcharge on the November ballot.
6. Letter from Nuclear Regulatory Commission regarding 2008 end of cycle plant performance assessment of Palisades Nuclear Plant.
7. Resolution from Antrim County Board regarding fiscal responsibility from the courts.
8. Letter and materials from Jai B. Kim regarding how to increase load capacity of our aging bridges.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 9, 2009 SESSION - APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED

5/ Moved by Commissioner VanEck, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2009 session as distributed. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 11 votes. Nays - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

6/ Chairman Jones opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments, he closed the meeting to public participation.

AGENDA - ADOPT AS DISTRIBUTED

7/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Burns to adopt the meeting agenda as distributed. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 11 votes. Nays - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

8/ Rob Sarro reported that the RFP's for the Animal Shelter project are back and he was pleasantly surprised to see that the bid for a brick building is close in price to a bid for a pole structure. He also reported that he has received a proposal from a non-profit group which would like to work with the County on operation of the animal shelter.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - CLAIMS & INTERFUND TRANSFERS

9/ Moved by Commissioner VanEck, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to adopt the report of claims for April 24, 2009 as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 11 votes. Nays - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEGAN COUNTY,
 Your committee on Finance has authorized the following claims for April 24, 2009. The following claims, which are chargeable against the County, were audited in accordance with Section 46.61 to 46.63, inclusive, M.C.L. 1970 as amended and resolutions of the Board. Said claims are listed in the 2009 Claims Report, Liber ____, and Commissioners' Record of Claims.

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund	55,827.04	55,827.04	
Parks & Recreation Fund	1,936.52	1,936.52	
Central Dispatch/E911 Fund	315.70	315.70	
Justice Training Fund-PA 302, 1982	3,089.82	3,089.82	
Resister of Deeds Automation Fund	514.80	514.80	
Local Corrections Officers Training Fund	510.00	510.00	
Health Department Fund	5,475.64	5,475.64	
Public Improvement Fund	5,846.70	5,846.70	

Social Welfare Fund	15,512.19	15,512.19	
Veterans Trust Fund	1,832.80	1,832.80	
Child Care-Circuit/ Family	47,313.48	47,313.48	
Building Authority Const-Health	29,001.00	29,001.00	
Senior Millage	63,300.80	63,300.80	
Drain Equip Revolving	55.00	55.00	
Drain fund	49,964.34	49,964.34	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	280,495.83	280,495.83	

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEGAN COUNTY,

Your committee on Finance has authorized the following claims for May 1, 2009. The following claims, which are chargeable against the County, were audited in accordance with Section 46.61 to 46.63, inclusive, M.C.L. 1970 as amended and resolutions of the Board. Said claims are listed in the 2009 Claims Report, Liber ____, and Commissioners' Record of Claims.

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund	104,817.28	104,817.28	
Parks & Recreation Fund	4,300.98	4,300.98	
Central Dispatch/E911 Fund	223.69	223.69	
Transportation Grant	107,634.58	107,634.58	
Law Library Fund	1,237.79	1,237.79	
Grants	2,101.07	2,101.07	
Health Department Fund	5,072.36	5,072.36	
Public Improvement Fund	76,811.20	76,811.20	
Social Welfare Fund	18,311.23	18,311.23	
Veterans Trust Fund	8.78	8.78	
Child Care-Circuit/ Family	11,954.25	11,954.25	
Fillmore Township	114.41	114.41	
Senior Millage	317.34	317.34	
Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund	7,730.05	7,730.05	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	340,635.01	340,635.01	

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEGAN COUNTY,

Your committee on Finance has authorized the following claims for May 8, 2009. The following claims, which are chargeable against the County, were audited in accordance with Section 46.61 to 46.63, inclusive, M.C.L. 1970 as amended and resolutions of the Board. Said claims are listed in the 2009 Claims Report, Liber ____, and Commissioners' Record of Claims.

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund	122,124.01	122,124.01	
Parks & Recreation Fund	6,373.98	6,373.98	
Central Dispatch/E911 Fund	224.00	224.00	
Friend of Court fund	152.00	152.00	
Health Department Fund	16,791.04	16,791.04	
Transportation Grant	13,146.83	13,146.83	
Local Corrections officers Training Fund	130.00	130.00	
Justice Training Fund-PA 302, 1982	420.00	420.00	
Grants	2,020.95	2,020.95	
GunPlain Twp	158.30	158.30	
Public Improvement Fund	3,674.48	3,674.48	
Delq Tax Revolving Fund -1998 taxes	9,561,241.39	9,561,241.39	
Tax Reversion 1998-2000	150.00	150.00	
Child Care-Circuit/ Family	12,017.50	12,017.50	
Drain Equip Revolving	791.25	791.25	
Senior Millage	22.60	22.60	
Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund	94,933.03	94,933.03	
Drain Fund	9,414.63	9,414.63	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	9,843,785.99	9,843,785.99	

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE OF FINANCE

May 14, 2009 Session

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - COMMENTS

10/ Chairman Jones laid a rose at Deb Daniels' seat. Naomi Whetzel reminded us all to focus on celebrating Deb's life and not be consumed with mourning her loss.

CENTRAL DISPATCH AUTHORITY-ELECTION SET FOR NOVEMBER 2009

11/ Jan Goswick, Central Dispatch Director, reported on the fluctuations in revenues the department has received for the past three quarters as a result of the recently passed legislation. She stated this is making it difficult for the Central Dispatch board to set an accurate rate for the ballot language, since they want to request only what is actually needed. Her board would like to have the Commissioners' commitment to hold a November 2009 election and they will bring final ballot language for Commissioner's approval after they can more accurately predict the actual amount to present to the voters.

Moved by Commissioner Burns, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to take immediate action to confirm that the 911 ballot request will be presented to voters on the November 3, 2009 ballot. Actual language will be considered when accurate figures can be obtained, prior to the August 25, 2009 proposal submission deadline. Motion carried.

HEALTH DEPT. FUNDING - SET ON THE MAY 28, 2009 AGENDA

12/ Preventive and mandated public health funding from the State was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner VanEck, seconded by Commissioner Black to set this resolution on the action portion of the May 28, 2009 agenda for consideration. Motion carried.

COUNTY USER FEE ANALYSIS - ESTABLISH BUDGET AND AWARD CONTRACT

13/ David Van de Roovaart, Finance Director stated it had been years since user fees had been studied to ascertain whether we were recovering our costs for providing the services. He reported that Matrix Consulting Group in Palo Alto, California had submitted the winning bid.

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner VanEck to set these resolutions on the action portion of the May 28, 2009 agenda for consideration. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 11 votes. Nays - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

TRANSPORTATION - BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR MARKETING DVD

14/ Kathryn Gillen, public policy specialist for the Disability Network explained the transit DVD. The \$15,000 cost makes up the local expenditure required under the grant to receive the \$105,000 Service Development New Technology grant from the state. Dan Wedge, Transportation Director, stated this DVD will present basic information about public transit and what it means to the community. He plans to put this on the transportation website to provide information about current services and elicit public comment regarding unmet transportation needs.

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to set this on the action portion of the May 28, 2009 agenda for consideration. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 11 votes. Nays - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

REGISTER OF DEEDS - EXTEND CONTRACT/PHOTOSTAT CONVERSION PROJECT

15/ David Van de Roovaart stated this will complete the conversion of the Photostats of land transfers in Register of Deeds office; funding to come from the Register's Automation Fund, not the General Fund.

Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Black to set this on the consent portion of the May 28, 2009 agenda for consideration. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 11 votes. Nays - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

INFORMATION SERVICES - MSP CONVERSION PROJECT/ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THIRD-PARTY COSTS

16/ Mr. Van de Roovaart explained that an additional \$57,700 is needed to complete the conversion project as a result of unanticipated third-party costs.

Moved by Commissioner VanEck, seconded by Commissioner Spreitzer to set this on the action portion of the May 28, 2009 agenda for consideration. Motion carried.

INFORMATION SERVICES - MSP CONVERSION PROJECT/ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR TRAVEL AND LODGING

17/ Mr. Van de Roovaart stated that travel and lodging was not included in the main contract on this project and an additional \$37,500 is needed to cover the costs.

Moved by Commissioner VanEck, seconded by Commissioner Black to set this on the action portion of the May 28, 2009 agenda for consideration. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 10 votes. Nays - 1 vote. Absent - 0 votes.

Y	TERRY BURNS	Y	DON BLACK
Y	STEVE McNEAL	Y	TOM JESSUP
Y	PAUL VanECK	Y	FRITZ SPREITZER
Y	MARK DeYOUNG	Y	JON CAMPBELL
Y	DEAN KAPENGA	Y	LARRY JONES
N	MAX THIELE		

2010 BUDGET GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

18/ David Van de Roovaart stated that additional departments have reported the goals and objectives for their departments. He encouraged Commissioners to make sure they read these documents so that they are familiar with the services provided

by various departments. As other departments report he will provide updates to these documents.

RESOLUTION - SUPPORT OF HB 4893

19/ This House Bill addresses return of body organs/tissues upon release after autopsy. The legislative changes would address when notice must be given to family members and would relieve liability to the county.

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to set this on the May 28, 2009 consent agenda for consideration. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

20/ Chairman Jones opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments from the public, he closed the meeting to public participation.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION - TO DISCUSS WORKER'S COMPENSATION ISSUE

21/ Moved by Commissioner McNeal, seconded by Commissioner Burns to recess to closed session to discuss a worker's compensation issue. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 11 votes. Nays - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes. The meeting was recessed at 5:10 P.M.

RECONVENE - ROLL CALL

22/ Upon reconvening at 5:15 P.M., the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Burns, McNeal, VanEck, DeYoung, Kapenga, Thiele, Black, Jessup, Spreitzer, Campbell and Jones. Absent - none.

CONFIRMATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION - WORKER'S
COMPENSATION ISSUE

23/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Black to confirm the recommendation regarding the potential settlement of a worker compensation matter. Motion carried by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MAY 28, 2009 AT 1:00 P.M.

24/ Moved by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Campbell to adjourn until May 28, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.


Clerk/ Register