

Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners
Resumption of Regular Board Meeting of August 10, 2011
August 24, 2011
(UNAPPROVED)

Meeting called to order by Chair Pro Tem Stuart McKinnon at 4:00 PM in Court Room KC of Court Building, 605 N Birch Street, Kalkaska, Mi (meeting relocated and posted at request of Chair Pro Tem McKinnon due to number of people in attendance). Roll call of Commissioners: Present-Debra Kimball, Antonio Martini, Stuart McKinnon, David Ritter, Carroll Sexton and Craig Wood. Absent-Michael Cox.

Pledge of Allegiance given by all. Invocation by Commissioner Kimball.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Martini to approve agenda. McKinnon requested addition of memo regarding County Attorney Cohl's recommendations to Cox to be added under Other Business. Supported by Kimball. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.**

Chair Pro Tem McKinnon indicated recognition of large number of attendees at meeting, advised primary purpose of meeting was to allow more time for review of Area Agency on Aging 2012 plan and receive answers to questions asked previously by Board prior to ratification.

Public Input:

Brian Donnelly-reported concern to Board with process and decisions of current Board of Commissioners, including loss of Department Heads due to current Board, low employee morale, cut services to Senior Citizens, prohibition of Library millage being offered to the voters, and current approval of same gender domestic partner insurance deemed illegal, concluding his representation of departments and employees of the county, citizens and his responsibility to protect the community. (Provided Board with copy of Court ruling regarding same gender domestic partner benefits, copy filed with Clerk.)

Sue Walter-read letter to Board regarding concerns if Board was to eliminate local funds for Area Agency on Aging. (Copy filed with Clerk)

Carol Reeder-advised Board of her concerns with cut of Housing Department funding.

Bea Sherman-addressed Board of concern with loss of Housing Department, concern with loss of Frank Wright as Controller, concern with decisions made by Board without sufficient information.

Gay Rowell-deferred time.

Dan Johnson-addressed Board citing MCL statutes regarding concern for approval of same gender domestic partner insurance benefit by Board.

Jeff Badgero-expressed concern with approval of same gender domestic partner insurance benefit, requesting Board to correct error.

Jerry Brandon-no comment.

Sharon Zakrajsek-reserved time.

Dean Farrier-advised he concurred with all comments previously stated.
Robert Dryden-reserved time.

Appointments:

Bob Schlueter-Area Agency on Aging: Provided explanation to Board of history and process of Area on Aging Agency, advised Board of options for approval or not and requested approval of 2012 Plan as presented, advised there are often questions with new Board at local and State level, appreciation of opportunity to return to answer questions, and provide further information of funding and resources provided. Darcia Brewer provided further information regarding objectives, funding, requirements, reports and relationship with Commission on Aging. Further discussion regarding Board of Advisors and Board of Directors with Area Agency on Aging, the latter being the governing board. **Motion** by Wood to approve Resolution 2011-06 Resolution to Approve the Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan. Supported by Sexton. Roll Call vote: Wood, yes; Sexton, yes; Kimball, yes; Martini, yes; Ritter, yes; McKinnon, yes. Absent- Cox. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent.

Carried.

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2012 ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF NORTHWEST MICHIGAN

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2011-6
KALKASKA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 24th, 2011**

At a meeting that has been resumed from the regular meeting held on August 10th, 2011 of the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners for Kalkaska County, Kalkaska, Michigan, held in the County Governmental Building located at 605 N Birch Street, Kalkaska, Michigan on the 24th day of August, 2011.

Present: Debra Kimball, Craig Wood, Carroll Sexton, Antonio Martini, David Ritter, Stuart McKinnon
Absent: Michael Cox

The following resolution was offered by Craig Wood and supported by Carroll Sexton.

WHEREAS, the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners have reviewed the Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan and believe that the plan addresses the needs of the aging population in Region 10;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners approves the Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

Yes: Wood, Sexton, Kimball, Ritter, Martini, McKinnon
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Cox

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

Stuart McKinnon, Chairperson Pro-Tem
Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners

Deborah L. Hill, County Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)ss.
COUNTY OF KALKASKA)

The undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the County of Kalkaska, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners at it's resumption meeting held on August 24th, 2011, of it's regular meeting held on the 10th day of August, 2011, at which meeting a quorum was present and remained throughout and that an original thereof is on file in the records of the County. I further certify that the meeting was conducted, and public notice thereof was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the minutes of such meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required thereby.

August 24th, 2011

Deborah L. Hill, County Clerk

Chair Pro Tem called for break at 5:14 PM.

Chair Pro Tem called meeting back into session at 5:34 PM.

Appointments Con't:

Stuart Rogers Jr: Not present.

Unfinished Business:

Controller's Office duties: Sexton advised to be discussed at Personnel Committee.

Other Business:

Motion by Kimball to adopt Resolution 2011-07, A Resolution for Kalkaska County to Join the National moment of Remembrance of the 10th Anniversary of September 11th. Supported by Wood. Roll call vote: Kimball, yes; Wood, yes; Martini, yes; Ritter, yes; Sexton, yes; McKinnon, yes. Absent-Cox. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.** Discussion regarding implementation of Resolution, Wood to communicate to whom will implement.

A RESOLUTION FOR KALKASKA COUNTY TO JOIN THE NATIONAL MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2011-07
KALKASKA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 24TH, 2011**

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At a meeting that has been resumed from the regular meeting held on August 10th, 2011, of the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners for Kalkaska County, Kalkaska, Michigan, held in the County Governmental Building located at 605 N. Birch Street, Kalkaska, Michigan on the 24th day of August, 2011:

Present: Craig Wood, Carroll Sexton, Antonio Martini, David Ritter, Debra Kimball, Stuart McKinnon
Absent: Michael Cox

The following was offered by Debra Kimball and supported by Craig Wood.

WHEREAS, the governing body of Kalkaska County expresses their support of the United State's Senate regarding coming together as a Nation and ceasing all work or other activity for a moment of remembrance beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on September 11, 2011, in honor of the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks committed against the United States on September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, at 8:46 a.m., on September 11, 2001, hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the upper portion of the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City, New York; and

WHEREAS, 17 minutes later, at 9:03 a.m., hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center; and

WHEREAS, at 9:37 a.m., the west wall of the Pentagon was hit by hijacked American Airlines Flight 77, the impact of which caused immediate and catastrophic damage to the headquarters of the Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, at approximately 10:00 a.m., the passengers and crew of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless others; and

WHEREAS, nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of individuals narrowly escaped the attacks at the Pentagon and World Trade Center and, as witnesses to this tragedy, are forever changed; and

WHEREAS, countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, governmental officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically to those horrific events; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department of New York suffered 343 fatalities on September 11, 2001, the largest loss of life of any emergency response agency in United States history; and

WHEREAS, the Port Authority Police Department suffered 37 fatalities in the attacks, the largest loss of life of any police force in United States history in a single day; and

WHEREAS, the New York Police Department suffered 23 fatalities as a result of the terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, the impact of that day on public health continues through 2011, as nearly 90,000 people are at risk of or suffering from negative health effects as a result of the events of September 11, 2001, including 14,000 workers and 2,400 community residents who are sick, and tens of thousands of others whose health is being monitored; and

WHEREAS, 10 years later, the people of the United States and people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that fateful day; and

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WHEREAS, 10 years later, thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the United States against those who seek to threaten the United States; and

WHEREAS, on the 10th anniversary of this tragic day, the thoughts of the people of the United States are with all of the victims of the events of September 11, 2001 and their families; and

WHEREAS, the lives of Americans were changed forever on September 11, 2001, when events threatened the American way of life; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Congress and the President joined together to designate September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance under the Serve America Act (Public Law 111-13; 123 Stat. 1460); and

WHEREAS, in September 2009 and 2010, President Obama issued Proclamation 8413 (74 Fed. Reg. 47045) and Proclamation 8559 (75 Fed. Reg. 56463) proclaiming September 11, 2009, and September 11, 2010, respectively, as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance; and

WHEREAS, September 11 will never, and should never, be just another day in the hearts and minds of all people of the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of Kankaska County:

(1) recognizes September 11, 2011, as a day of solemn commemoration of the events of September 11, 2001, and a day to come together as a Nation; and

(2) offers its deepest and most sincere condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones of the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; and

(3) honors the heroic service, actions, and sacrifices of first responders, law enforcement personnel, State and local officials, volunteers, and countless others who aided the innocent victims of those attacks and, in doing so, bravely risked and often gave their own lives; and

(4) recognizes the valiant service, actions, and sacrifices of United States personnel, including members of the United States Armed Forces, the United States intelligence agencies, the United States diplomatic service, homeland security and law enforcement personnel, and their families, who have given so much, including their lives and well-being, to support the cause of freedom and defend the security of the United States; and

(5) reaffirms that the people of the United States will never forget the challenges our country endured on and since September 11, 2001, and will work tirelessly to defeat those who attacked the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on the 10th anniversary of this tragic day in United States history the governing body of the County of Kankaska calls upon all of the people and institutions of the United States to observe a moment of remembrance on September 11, 2011, including (i) media outlets; (ii) houses of worship; (iii) military organizations; (iv) veterans organizations; (v) airlines; (vi) airports; (vii) railroads; (viii) sports teams; (ix) the Federal Government; (x) State and local governments; (xi) police, fire, and other public institutions; (xii) educational institutions; (xiii) businesses; and (xiv) other public and private institutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governing body of Kankaska County encourages the observance of the moment of remembrance to last for 1 minute beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time by, to the maximum extent

practicable ceasing all work or other activity; and marking the moment in an appropriate manner, including by ringing bells, blowing whistles, or sounding sirens.

Yeas: Kimball, Wood, Ritter, Martini, Sexton, McKinnon
Nays: None
Absent: Cox
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

Stuart McKinnon, Chairperson Pro-Tem
Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of Kalkaska County, Kalkaska, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of certain proceedings taken by the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners of said municipality at its resumption of its regular meeting (held on 8/10/2011) held on August 24th, 2011, relative to adoption of the resolution therein set forth; that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
County of Kalkaska)

August 24th, 2011

Deborah Hill, County Clerk

Motion by Martini to ratify and confirm the actions taken to deny the grievances of Brenda Shinn and Lois Turnbull as expressed in Personnel Chairperson Carroll Sexton’s letter dated July 14, 2011. A motion is hereby made to deny the grievances. Supported by Sexton. Roll call vote: Martini, yes; Sexton, yes; Kimball, yes; Ritter, yes; Wood, yes; McKinnon, yes. Absent-Cox. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.**

Wood requested Board to review same gender domestic partner insurance benefit that was approved at 8-10-2011 meeting, reported concern that insufficient information was provided and in light of Court Ruling provided by Prosecutor, motion needed to be rescinded. **Motion** by Wood to rescind Motion previously made in 8-10-2011 meeting for Rider DP county insurance benefit for same gender domestic partners. Supported by Kimball. Discussion including concern what most recent court ruling may be, Prosecutor advised document provided is current. Continued discussion. Roll call vote: Wood, yes; Kimball, yes; Martini, yes; Ritter, yes; Sexton, no; McKinnon, yes. 5 yeas. 1 nay. 1 absent. **Carried.** Chair Pro Tem advised insurance rider to be placed under Old Business on next agenda for discussion. Controller advised there had been no requests for insurance rider at this time.

Public Input:

Robert Dryden-expressed concern of statutes offered to Commissioner Wood that have not been utilized.

Call for further public input 3 times. None.

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Motion by Wood to adjourn to call of the Chair at 5:56 PM. Supported by Martini. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. Carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Hill, Kaskaska County Clerk and
Clerk of Board of Commissioners

Stuart McKinnon, Chair Pro Tem of
Kaskaska County Board of Commissioners

These minutes are not official until they are approved at the next regular Board of Commissioners meeting.