

Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commissioners' Room, Courthouse at the Village of Centreville, Michigan on January 19, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Michael Dunlap called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Shaffer.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

The Clerk, Pattie S. Bender, called the roll and the following Commissioners were present:

Rick Shaffer	Gerald E. Loudenslager
Michael D. Dunlap	Robin Baker
Jerry Ware	David J. Pueschel
John L. Dobberteen	

Also present were Judy West-Wing, Administrator/Controller, Dan Carey, Finance Director and Elishia Arver, Human Resource Director.

AGENDA

Ms. West-Wing stated that the Telephone System Proposal needed to be removed from the agenda.

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and supported by Commissioner Pueschel that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Ware that the minutes for January 5, 2010 be approved. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Shaffer that the closed session minutes for the January 5, 2010 be approved. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter from the Michigan Association of Counties, Re: MAC Legislative Update, January 15, 2010.
2. Letter from the City of Sturgis, Re: Notice of public hearing on January 27, 2010 to consider an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for LTI, Inc.
3. Copy of letter to Waste Management from the Parks & Recreation Commission, Re: Thank you for assistance with the demolition of the Pierce Property farmhouse.
4. Resolution from Charlevoix County, Re: State Mandated Services.
5. Resolution from Gratiot County, Re: State Mandated Services.
6. Resolution from Oscoda County, Re: Urging Implementation of the State Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention Allocation Formula.
7. Minutes of the Commission on Aging Board meeting of November 18, 2009.

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Pueschel that the communications be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Juergen Bustorf, owner of Bustorf Dairy Farms, stated that he has lived in Leonidas Township for one and a half years coming from Germany. He intends to operate a large dairy farm in Leonidas Township and has received all of his permits from the DEQ and has exceeded their requirements by two times. The farm will follow all of the guidelines required by the DEQ. He said that he breathes the air too and wants it safe for all.

There will be 100 jobs created during construction of the operation and when fully operational there will be 24 full time employees receiving between \$20,000 and \$60,000 annually not including benefits and bonuses.

He invited the Commissioners to visit his farm and see for themselves all of the safeguards that will be in place.

Barry Mumby, who has a farm adjacent to the Bustorf Farm, wholly supports their operation. He has a copy of a proposed resolution that the Commissioners will be discussing in their work session following this meeting, and stated that many statements in the resolution are untrue. 90% of the land in Leonidas is zoned agricultural and he believes that this is a good project.

Shawn Mumby stated that he loves Leonidas Township where he has been a lifelong resident and believes that there will be all types of benefits by having this dairy operation there.

Sara Trattles, Vice-Chairman of the St. Joseph County Farm Bureau read a letter from the Farm Bureau in support of the Bustorf Dairy Operation. They are in compliance with all permits and guidelines and they exceed standards. The DEQ is very protective of the surface water in the State and they are satisfied with the dairy farm. She also mentioned that they support the farm because of the jobs that will be created.

Chairman Dunlap wondered why this County is a good place for an operation like this knowing that we have more surface water than any other County in the State.

Mr. Bustorf stated that cows need good clean water to produce good milk.

Dave Mumby is also a farmer and a partner in the Mendon Seed Growers, is a member of the Colon School Board and the St. Joseph County EDC Board. He stated that he will be available for the work session. All permits have been issued to the farm and they have asked for no tax abatements. This farm will be a showplace and will be an educational tool for the kids in St. Joseph County. The County's EDC Board supports the construction of the dairy farm and he finds it strange that the Board would consider opposing it.

Barbara Funk, Psychological Coordinator for the Community Healing Center read part of a letter written by CHC Board Member Mike Wilson regarding PA 2 monies. He stated that he has witnessed substance abuse first hand and has also witnessed the success stories that resulted in treatment that people received at the CHC. He stated that there are no other services like them. They treat the families of the addicted as well as the addicted and are compassionate and caring. Every dollar is valued and counted.

The Women's Specialty Clinic and Hope House are 2 of the programs that benefit the many women that need their services.

Ms. Funk stated that Myrtle House in Sturgis was the first residential treatment center in the State. They do good work and all of the CHC's programs deserve to continue.

Christine stated that her ex-husband went to prison for having a meth lab and she thought that it was all her fault. The CHC was there for her and educated her on substance abuse issues. She asked the Board to carefully consider where they will designate the PA 2 funds.

Ann of Sturgis stated that the CHC has been a tremendous help to her after she was in an alcohol related accident. She currently has an associate's degree in Criminal Justice and will soon have her bachelor's degree in Substance Abuse Counseling. She needs to help people get help.

Rhonda stated that she was a 30 year drug abuser and has been sober for 3 years thanks to the CHC. She was arrested on drug charges and after being in jail she was homeless and was treated at the Women's Center and stayed at the Hope House. All of their programs play a big part in recovery.

Tara served time in jail on drinking and meth charges. After serving her jail time she went to the Hope House and said that she doesn't know where she would be today without them.

Melissa was a one and half year meth user. She lost her son and served time in jail. Upon her release she went to the CHC, is clean now and has her son back. The CHC got through to her and now she maintains a healthy lifestyle.

Alan stated that he was a lifelong drug addict and alcohol abuser. He has been in and out of jail and prison and has liver disease. He walked 11 miles one way to get help.

Lisa went to CHC on her own after trying other programs that did not work.

EMERGENCY ACTION GUIDELINES UPDATE

Jim Barnes, Emergency Services Coordinator, stated that he has spent the last 6 months working on updating the County's Disaster Plan to incorporate the federal government's mandates. FEMA and Homeland Security have reorganized and a new plan is required. There is one section of the plan that relates to the County Commission and he is asking for approval of that amendment.

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Shaffer that the Emergency Action Guidelines Update be approved as presented.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 7 - Commissioners Shaffer, Loudenslager, Dunlap, Baker, Ware, Pueschel and Dobberteen

Nay votes cast: 0

Motion carried.

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUEST FROM THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT

Ms. West-Wing stated that Sheriff Balk is requesting approval from the Board to send 2 officers to Iowa to attend a clan lab at the Midwest Counterdrug Training Center. The schooling is free along with all meals and lodging. SWET is also sending several officers and will provide transportation to our officers at no expense. The only expense to the County would be the wages and fringe benefits of the officers.

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Ware that the out-of-state travel request from the Sheriff be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 7 - Commissioners Shaffer, Loudenslager, Dunlap, Baker, Ware, Pueschel and Dobberteen

Nay votes cast: 0

Motion carried.

REVISED CREDIT CARD POLICY

Ms. West-Wing stated that the County's Credit Card Policy needed to be revised because of the change in the employment status of some employees beginning January 1, 2010. She requested approval of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 14-96
AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 29-96
AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 34-99
AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 4-01
AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 9-2003
AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 3-2010

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE
AND THE USE OF COUNTY CREDIT CARDS TO
SELECTED COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, 1995 PA 266 authorizes the use of credit cards for the purchase of goods and services by County officers and employees; and

WHEREAS, the use of credit cards by County officers and employees to purchase goods and services enhances the efficient operation of County government; and

WHEREAS, policies regarding the issuance and use of County credit cards are necessary to protect the County's financial interests.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrator/Controller is authorized to secure the issuance of credit cards for use by selected County officers and employees but the total combined authorized credit limit shall not exceed 5% of the total budget of the County for the current fiscal year;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administrator/Controller is responsible for the County's credit card issuance, accounting, monitoring and retrieval, and pursuant to this responsibility has promulgated the following policy.

CREDIT CARD POLICY

1. SELECT OFFICERS AND/OR EMPLOYEES AUTHORIZED TO USE COUNTY CREDIT CARDS.

Employees in the following positions are authorized to use the MASTERCARD/VISA cards issued to St. Joseph County:

- Human Resource Director
- Information Technology Director
- Sheriff
- Undersheriff
- Other Sheriff's Department employees
as authorized by the Sheriff
- Other County employees as authorized
by the Administrator/Controller

The following employees are authorized to use the WRIGHT EXPRESS FLEET gasoline credit cards while traveling solely on County related business in County owned vehicles:

- Sheriff's Department employees
- Parks & Recreation employees
- Building & Grounds employees
- Employees using County Motor Pool vehicles
(includes MSU Extension employees)

2. SPECIFIC OFFICIAL COUNTY BUSINESS FOR WHICH CREDIT CARDS MAY BE USED.

MASTERCARD/
VISA Sheriff's Department may use the credit card for approved expenses incurred in the extradition of prisoners or miscellaneous inmate supplies, by authorized Sheriff's Department employees. At all times County policies in regard to appropriate expenditures must be followed.

Human Resource Director, Information Technology Director or other employees as approved by the Administrator/Controller may use the credit card for approved purchases of supplies or equipment that otherwise could require immediate payment.

WRIGHT
EXPRESS FLEET Wright Express Fleet gasoline cards may be used for travel while on official County business when using a County owned vehicle and only when obtaining gasoline at the Sheriff's Department gas facility is not possible.

3. DETERMINE THE TYPES OF CATEGORIES OF GOODS OR SERVICES FOR WHICH THE CREDIT CARDS MAY BE USED TO PURCHASE.

MASTERCARD/
VISA Sheriff's Department - Extradition expenses such as lodging, meals, air fare, car rental, gasoline, cabs, parking, tolls, etc. Miscellaneous supplies required for inmates such as fans, storage containers, televisions, etc. Human Resource, Information Technology - Office supplies, equipment, furniture, computer related products, etc. within the prescribed guidelines of the County Purchasing Policy.

WRIGHT
EXPRESS FLEET

Gasoline, oil, and emergency repair work.

4. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION FOR SUBMITTAL TO FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Invoice describing goods or services purchased, purchase order if applicable, cost of the goods or services, the date of the purchase, the date the goods or service was received, the official business for which the purchase was made, the name of the employee that made the purchase.

5. INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL.

MASTERCARD/VISA AND WRIGHT EXPRESS FLEET CARD.

- A. The department manager shall verify all charges, matching receipt with invoice and statement received from credit card company. Verification shall include appropriateness of expenditure. All receipts and/or invoices must be attached to the statement from the credit card company.
 - B. Complete voucher packet shall be submitted to the Finance Department as soon as practical upon receipt of credit card statement.
 - C. Accounts payable clerk shall verify the appropriateness of the expenditures consistent with this policy and the budget resolution. Any deviations shall be brought to the attention of the Finance Director who shall investigate with the appropriate department manager.
 - D. Prior to release of funds, the Finance Director and the County Administrator/Controller shall review all vouchers submitted for payment.
 - E. Credit card balances shall be paid in full within the company's allotted time frame so as not to incur finance charges. At no time shall this exceed 60 days from the statement date. The only exception to this would be under a protest filed with the credit card company for an invalid charge.
 - F. Failure to timely submit voucher packet to avoid finance charges may be cause to revoke department's privilege to use the credit card.
6. EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITY.
- A. All employees issued a credit card shall be responsible for its protection and custody, and shall immediately notify the County Administrator/Controller if the credit card is lost or stolen.
 - B. Employees will be required to sign an acknowledgment of receipt at the time they are given the credit card and a copy of this policy. A copy of the receipt shall be given to the employee, a copy maintained by the department manager and a copy placed in the employee's file in the County Administrator/Controller's office.
 - C. Upon the termination of employment or service with the County, employees shall return all credit card(s) to their department manager or in the case of a department manager, to the County Administrator/Controller. A receipt shall be given to the employee indicating the card(s) returned and the date. A copy of the receipt shall be attached to the original signed receipt when the card(s) was/were issued to the employee.
 - D. Employees shall be subject to disciplinary measures, including discharge, consistent with the law for the unauthorized use of a County credit card.

It was moved by Commissioner Pueschel and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that the Revised Credit Card Policy resolution be adopted and second reading waived.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 7 - Commissioners Shaffer, Loudenslager, Dunlap, Baker, Ware, Pueschel and Dobberteen

Nay votes cast: 0

Resolution adopted.

COMMUNITY HEALTH AGENCY APPROPRIATION

Commissioner Loudenslager presented the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 4-2010

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County is a member of the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency (CHA); and

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County is committed to supporting programs that provide access to appropriate health care services for low-income residents of St. Joseph County; and

WHEREAS, the Federal government has approved Michigan's Medicaid State Plan Amendment TN No. 05-13, effective June 1, 2006, which creates an "Indigent Care Agreements Pool" for hospitals qualifying for Medicaid Disproportionate Share ("DSH") payments to receive DSH payments under the Indigent Care Agreements Pool so long as: (a) the hospital has an Indigent Care Agreement with a local health care entity, such as Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Health Plan; and (b) the Indigent Care Agreement stipulates that direct or indirect health care services be provided to low-income patients with special needs who are not covered under other public or private health care programs; and

WHEREAS, Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Health Plan's purposes include promoting, organizing, managing and administering programs to create a system for providing or arranging and paying for health care services in a cost effective manner for persons unable to pay for such health care services; and

WHEREAS, Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Health Plan has entered into an Agreement with W.A. Foote Hospital d/b/a Allegiance Health, requiring Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Health Plan to operate a program of arranging and paying for health care to low-income individuals with special needs who are not covered under other public or private health care programs and who are unable to pay for such services; and

WHEREAS, both the Federal government and the State of Michigan participate in the financing of the Indigent Care Agreements Pool, with the Federal government matching the State's portion pursuant to the Federal medical assistance percentage formula; and

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2005 the Board of Commissioners approved transferring a portion of the CHA appropriation to be sent to the State of Michigan as an intergovernmental transfer of public funds from St. Joseph County to be used as the State's share in claiming Federal match of Medicaid ; and

WHEREAS, St. Joseph County has budgeted \$378,069 in 2010 to finance a portion of the Community Health Agency; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has now determined that the maximum yearly amount of St. Joseph County funds shall be \$168,776 beginning with the October 2009 payment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Joseph County Treasurer is respectfully directed to make quarterly transfers to the State of Michigan of \$42,194 no later than January 20th, April 7th, July 8th, and October 9, 2010 with the last payment amount to be determined; and quarterly transfers to CHA of \$52,323.25 on or around January 20th, April 7th, July 8th, and October 9, 2010 with the last payment amount to be determined but this will not result in more than \$378,069 when combining the State of Michigan and CHA transfers for 2010.

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Shaffer that the resolution be adopted and second reading waived.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 7 - Commissioners Shaffer, Loudenslager, Dunlap, Baker, Ware, Pueschel and Dobberteen

Nay votes cast: 0

Resolution adopted.

STATE MANDATED SERVICES

Commissioner Loudenslager read a portion of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 5-2010

FUNDING OBLIGATIONS–STATE MANDATED SERVICES

WHEREAS, the electorate of the State of Michigan passed an amendment in November 1978 to the State's Constitution that required the State to fund mandates imposed on local units of government (often referred to as the 'Headlee Amendment'); and

WHEREAS, the Headlee Amendment (Article IX, Section 29) states:

"The state is hereby prohibited from reducing the state financed proportion of the necessary costs of any existing activity or service required of units of Local Government by state law. A new activity or service or an increase in the level of any activity or service beyond that required by existing law shall not be required by the Legislature or any state agency of units of Local Government, unless a state appropriation is made and disbursed to pay the unit of Local Government for any necessary increased costs. The provision of this section shall not apply to costs incurred pursuant to Article VI, Section 18"; and

WHEREAS, the Headlee Amendment became effective on December 23, 1978; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature established the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates (LCSM) through P.A. 98 of 2007, as amended by P.A. 356 of 2008 and assigned the LCSM to identify mandates (including those involving reports) and the related cost of the mandates to local units of government, along with recommendations to resolve the unfunded mandates; and

WHEREAS, the LCSM worked with the Citizens Research Council (issued an analysis of other state's statutes and constitutional requirements similar to the Headlee Amendment) and local units of government associations, including:

Michigan Association of Counties.

Michigan Municipal League.

Michigan Township Association.

Michigan School Business Officials and Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Michigan Community College Association.

County Road Association of Michigan.

WHEREAS, the LCSM issued a report in June 2009 entitled "Interim Report of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates" that indicated, among other matters, that the State had failed to enact legislation enabling the Headlee Amendment and has not complied with the Headlee Amendment since its adoption in 1978; and

WHEREAS, the LCSM has completed its report in December 2009 entitled "Final Report of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates" that reaffirms the Interim Report results and provides recommendations, including but not limited to:

Drafted legislation and court rules that would mitigate unfunded mandates imposed on local units of government in the future.

Proposed procedures that will prevent new unfunded mandates from being imposed on local units of government.

Proposed procedures that would be corrective should unfunded mandates be imposed that include, among other requirements:

A submission of an action before the Court of Appeals to be heard by a special master in order to rule on whether the matter is a mandate and if the mandate is underfunded.

Require the Court of Appeals to rule on the above within six months of the filing.

Should the Court of Appeals not rule on the above within six months, the local unit of government would have no obligation to continue to provide the services until such time as the State complies with the Headlee Amendment.

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties adopted a resolution of support for the recommendations contained in the final LCSM report in December 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners supports the findings and recommendations in the interim and final reports of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates and encourages the Governor, Legislature and Supreme Court to adopt and enact the recommendations cited in the final report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Cameron Brown, Representative Matthew Lori, the Michigan Association of Counties and the other 82 Michigan counties.

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Pueschel that the resolution be adopted and second reading waived.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 7 - Commissioners Shaffer, Loudenslager, Dunlap, Baker, Ware, Pueschel and Dobberteen

Nay votes cast: 0

Resolution adopted.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

Community Corrections Advisory Board

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Pueschel that the following be nominated and appointed to the Community Corrections Advisory Board for a 1 year term expiring December 31, 2010:

Jeffrey C. Middleton, Chief District Court Judge
Tony Callaway, Day Reporting Center
John McDonough, Prosecuting Attorney
Tom Koenig, Michigan Department of Corrections
Paul Stutesman, Circuit Court Judge
Thomas Shumaker, Circuit Court/Family Division Judge
Captain Tim Schuler, St. Joseph County Sheriff's Department
Gerald Loudenslager, St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners
Mary Lynn Falbe, St. Joseph County Domestic Assault Shelter Coalition
Howard Bush, Attorney at Law
Eddie MacKay, Citizen at Large
William D. Welty, District Court Judge

Motion carried.

County Agricultural Preservation Board

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that the following be nominated and appointed to the County Agricultural Preservation Board for the terms indicated:

David Pueschel, County Commissioner - term to expire March 6, 2011
John Fair, Real Estate/Development - term to expire March 6, 2013
Larry Rice, Agriculture - term to expire March 6, 2013

Motion carried.

Veterans' Affairs Board

It was moved by Commissioner Pueschel and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that Elmer Black be nominated and appointed to the Veterans' Affairs Board for a 4 year expiring March 1, 2014. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

Commissioner Loudenslager stated that the Law Enforcement Committee had not met.

Judiciary

Commissioner Loudenslager stated that the Judiciary Committee met on January 13th and everyone has a copy of the minutes and he would answer any questions that anyone may have.

Physical Resources

Commissioner Ware stated that the Physical Resources Committee had not met.

Executive Committee

Commissioner Shaffer stated that the Executive Committee met on January 15, 2010 and most items discussed there have been discussed tonight. Everyone has a copy of the minutes and he would answer any questions that anyone may have.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Ms. West-Wing presented the following report:

MISCELLANEOUS:

Mark Mellinger to work as part-time Corrections Officer at \$15.30/hr. effective January 19, 2010.

Stephen Morris, Corrections Officer, will be on medical leave commencing January 27, 2010 under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993.

Renee Welch, COA Activities Coordinator, is on medical leave commencing January 6, 2010 under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993.

RESIGNATION:

Cynthia Ferguson, COA In-home Services Aide, resigned effective January 8, 2010.

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Pueschel that the personnel report be approved. Motion carried.

REQUISITION

Ms. West-Wing presented the following requisition:

One Nobles Speedshine 2000 DS for the Sheriff's Department - \$ 1,356.59

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Pueschel that the requisition be approved. Motion carried.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Ms. West-Wing presented the following report:

FROM APPROPRIATION:

\$14,000.00 from Soil Conservation Appropriation to Soil Conservation Fund.

\$8,000.00 from Soil Conservation–Soil Erosion Appropriation to Soil Conservation–Soil Erosion Fund.

BUDGET AMENDMENT:

DECREASE INMATE STORE FUND #546:

Line item 546-301-744.000 (Clothing and Bedding) \$ 607.00

INCREASE INMATE STORE FUND #546:

Line item 546-301-977.000 (Equipment General) \$ 607.00

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Pueschel that the budget adjustments be approved. Motion carried.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Carey presented the following per diem and expenses:

Per Diem

Robin Baker - 2 half days 12/18/09 & 1/12/10 & 1 full day 12/23/09	\$ 195.00
John Dobberteen - 6 half days 12/21/09, 1/12/10 x 3, 1/13 & 1/19/10	300.00
Michael Dunlap - 4 half days 1/6, 1/13, 1/14 & 1/15/10	200.00
Gerald Loudenslager - 6 half days 12/22/09, 1/11 x 2, 1/12 x 2 & 1/13/10	300.00
David Pueschel - 5 half days 12/16/09, 1/8, 1/12, 1/13 & 1/15/10	250.00
Jerry Ware - 3 half days 1/6, 1/12 & 1/19/10	<u>150.00</u>
	\$1,395.00

Expenses

Robin Baker	\$ 35.20
John Dobberteen	25.00
Michael Dunlap	24.00
Gerald Loudenslager	37.50
David Pueschel	40.80
Jerry Ware	<u>15.00</u>
	\$ 177.50

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that the per diem and expenses be approved. Motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Dunlap presented the following Committee Assignments for 2010:

CHAPLAIN - Shaffer
 PARLIAMENTARIAN-Shaffer
 RESOLUTIONS -Loudenslager

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Executive Committee - Dunlap (Chair), Shaffer, Pueschel
 Law Enforcement - Loudenslager (Chair), Baker, Ware
 Judiciary - Loudenslager (Chair), Pueschel, Dunlap
 Physical Resources - Ware (Chair), Dunlap, Loudenslager

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Local Emergency Planning Committee - Loudenslager
 Federal Emergency Management Act/Homeland Security - Dobberteen, Baker
 S.M.A.R.T. Committee - Baker (All Commissioners Welcome)
 Regional Solid Waste - Dobberteen, Dunlap
 Colon Lake Board - Loudenslager
 Fish Lake Board - Loudenslager
 U.S. 131 Area Development Association - Dunlap
 U.S. 131 Corridor Master Plan - Baker, Shaffer
 Farmland and Open Space Preservation - Pueschel
 Website Development Committee - Dobberteen
 Update Board Rules Committee - Dobberteen, Dunlap, Shaffer
 Homeland Security Planning Committee - Dobberteen
 Local Planning Team - Homeland Security Grant Program - Dobberteen
 County Agricultural Preservation Board - Pueschel
 City of Sturgis Tax Increment Financing Authority Board - Dobberteen
 15-County Advisory Committee for St. Joseph River - Pueschel

COMMISSION LIAISONS:

Soil Conservation - Pueschel
Road Commission - Baker
Resource Conservation and Development - Pueschel
Department of Human Services - Loudenslager
Criminal Justice - Loudenslager
MSU Extension - Baker

BOARDS AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:

Community Health Agency - Baker, Dunlap, Pueschel
Parks and Recreation - Shaffer, Ware
Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council - Loudenslager
Board of Public Works - Loudenslager
Planning Commission - Shaffer
Mental Health - Baker, Dobberteen, Pueschel
County Solid Waste - Dobberteen
Community Corrections - Loudenslager
Economic Development Corp. - Dobberteen
E-911 Central Dispatch - Shaffer
Commission on Aging - Dunlap
Human Services Commission - Dobberteen, Shaffer, Loudenslager
Investment Advisory Committee - Ware
Groundwater Stewardship - Pueschel
Comprehensive Traffic Safety Commission - Baker
Community Action Agency - Shaffer
Substance Abuse Advisory Council - Dobberteen
Transportation Authority Board - Dunlap
Workforce Development Board - Baker

Commissioner Loudenslager

Judiciary (Chair)
Physical Resources
Local Emergency Planning Committee
Colon Lake Board
Fish Lake Board
Department of Human Services
Criminal Justice
Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council
Community Corrections
Human Services Commission
Law Enforcement (Chair)
Board of Public Works

Commissioner Dunlap

Judiciary
Physical Resources
Community Health Agency
U.S. 131 Area Development Association
Executive Committee
Commission on Aging
Update Board Rules Committee
Transportation Authority
Regional Solid Waste

ADDITIONAL SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

(Not Appointed by Board of Commissioners)
Twin Co. Corrections Probation Center - Loudenslager
Child Death Review - Baker
M.A.C. - Human Services Committee - Loudenslager
Dobberteen
M.A.C. - Judiciary Committee - Baker
M.A.C. - Transportation Committee - Dunlap
Michigan Prisoner Re-entry Initiative - Loudenslager
MI Municipal Risk Mgmt. Authority - Loudenslager

Commissioner Ware

Law Enforcement
Physical Resources (Chair)
Parks and Recreation
Investment Advisory Committee

Commissioner Shaffer

U.S. 131 Corridor Master Plan
Update Board Rules Committee
Parks & Recreation
Planning Commission
E-911 Central Dispatch
Human Services Commission
Community Action Agency
Executive Committee

Commissioner Baker

MSU Extension
Law Enforcement
FEMA/Homeland Security
S.M.A.R.T. Committee
U.S. 131 Corridor Master Plan
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Workforce Development Board

Commissioner Dobberteen
Substance Abuse Advisory Council
Update Board Rules Committee
FEMA/Homeland Security
Homeland Security Planning Committee
Website Development Committee
County Solid Waste Committee
Local Planning Team-Homeland Security Grant
Sturgis Tax Increment Financing Authority
Mental Health
Human Services Commission
Regional Solid Waste
Economic Development Corporation

Commissioner Pueschel
Executive Committee
Judiciary Committee
Farmland and Open Space Preservation
County Agricultural Preservation Board
Soil Conservation
Mental Health
Community Health Agency
Groundwater Stewardship
R.C. & D.
15-County Advisory Comm. for St. Joseph River

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that the Committee Assignments be approved. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

Community Health Agency

It was moved by Commissioner Loudenslager and supported by Commissioner Ware that Commissioners Baker, Dunlap and Pueschel be nominated and appointed to the Community Health Agency for 1 year terms expiring December 31, 2010. Motion carried.

Commission on Aging

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that Chairman Dunlap be nominated and appointed to the Commission on Aging to replace Commissioner Shaffer for a term to expire June 30, 2011. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Commission

It was moved by Commissioner Pueschel and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that Commissioner Shaffer be nominated and appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission to replace Chairman Dunlap for a term to expire January 1, 2012. Motion carried.

Southwest Michigan Substance Abuse Advisory Council

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that Commissioner Dobberteen be nominated and appointed to the Southwest Michigan Substance Abuse Advisory Council to replace Commissioner Shaffer for a term to expire January 1, 2012. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner Pueschel mentioned the horrible disaster in Haiti due to an earthquake.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and supported by Commissioner Loudenslager that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until February 2, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Pattie S. Bender, County Clerk

Michael D. Dunlap, Chairman