

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 April 19, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Rick Shaffer called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Shaffer.

The Pledge to the American Flag was given.

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

Rick Shaffer	Allen Balog
Robin Baker	Jerry Ware
John L. Dobberteen	Donald Eaton

Absent: Gerald E. Loudenslager

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

AGENDA

Ms. West-Wing asked that a request to fill the Finance Director's position be added under new business.

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

MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Eaton that the minutes for April 5, 2011 be approved. Motion carried. Commissioner Dobberteen abstained due to absence.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter from the Michigan Association of Counties, Re: MAC Legislative Update, April 8, 2011; April 15, 2011.
2. Letter from the U.S. Census Bureau, Re: The Census Bureau will be conducting the 2010 Census Count Question Resolution Program between June 1, 2011 and June 1, 2013.
3. Notice of Board of Determination Meeting on May 10, 2011 Re: Nye, Sidener and Section 15 Drains.
4. Resolution from Huron County, Re: Approving Huron County's legislative agenda.
5. Minutes of the Southwest Michigan Substance Abuse Advisory Council meeting of March 21, 2011.
6. Minutes of the Commission on Aging Board meeting of March 16, 2011.

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

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Tim Carls, 63044 Klinger Lake Road, Centreville stated that he has a copy of the proposed memorandum of the partnership agreement between the County and Trine University. He said that he understood that building will begin in 2 weeks. He further stated that if this proposed money goes to Trine he will send his tax money to President Obama and the County can fight to get it back.

Dennis Bohm stated that he would give his 3 minutes of time to Mr. Carls.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2011 HOUSING RESOURCE FUND APPLICATION

Chairman Shaffer declared that the public hearing for the 2011 Housing Resource Fund Application was open.

Nancy McFarlane, Executive Director of the Community Action Agency, stated that they are in the process of applying for the 2011 Housing Resource Fund monies. She introduced Amy Rose Wallace-Robinson who is the Administrator of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Ms. Wallace-Robinson stated that the last grant was for the years 2008-2010 and they completed 4 emergency home projects and 10 major home projects which are up to \$5,000 each. They are applying for \$275,000 which would pay for 7 major home projects and 6 emergency home projects. These are deferred loans and a deferred mortgage is placed on the property.

She stated that most projects are on the exterior of the homes and that local contractors are utilized.

Chairman Shaffer asked how they market that these funds are available. Ms. Wallace-Robinson stated that they are marketed through the office here that is open 1 day per week, on their website and through the notice of this public hearing. The 13 projects that are to be completed through this grant if approved are already spoken for and there are 7 on a waiting list. They work with the Housing Task Force.

Ms. Wallace-Robinson further explained that if clients are between 60% and 80% of the median income that they must contribute 5% of the cost of the project and less than 60% there is no contribution which is where most clients fall.

Chairman Shaffer declared the public hearing closed.

DISTRICT COURT'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2010

Chief District Court Judge, Jeffrey Middleton, presented an overview of the District Court Annual Report for 2010. He complimented Tab Wedge, District Court Administrator, for compiling the report and for the excellent job that she always does. He also introduced Judge William Welty as well.

Judge Middleton stated that they try to have the Court remain out of the spotlight. Their volume of activity and the revenue that they generate is the most in County government except the County Treasurer. They have a good relationship with the Supreme Court and the State Court Administrator's Office.

They compile their caseload reports and comply with all reporting and regulations that they are required to do with the State.

He further stated that, outside of the County Clerk's Office, they have the most experience with their employees as far as years of service.

In 2010 there were 2 very experienced employees; one at 39 years and one over 35 years that retired and they were not replaced. The year before an employee left the District Court Probation Office and that person was also not replaced. They have cross-trained really well and technology has aided in their decision not to ask for these employees to be replaced.

They collected over \$250,000 in credit card payments and they now accept personal checks, of which less than 5 have ever bounced.

The revenues that were turned over to the County Treasurer in 2010 were \$927,418.26 and their expenses were approximately \$969,000.

Judge Middleton also reported that they collected \$124,000 in oversight and screening fees.

An experienced Probation Officer is retiring this year.

The number of criminal case filings was similar to those that were filed in 2009. Drunk driving cases were down and civil cases were down.

For the benefit of the new Commissioners he stated that Judge Welty is a ½ time District Judge and a ½ time Circuit Judge.

Later this year he plans to begin a Sobriety Court. He and 9 others attended a grant funded seminar earlier this year and this Sobriety Court may also evolve into a Drug Court as well. A Judge presides over this Court and elements involved are extensive testing on those charged along with training and interactions with the Judge and also home visits are a part of the process.

Chairman Shaffer asked Judge Middleton if Personal Protection Orders have reduced domestic violence cases.

Judge Middleton responded by saying that not all PPOs are linked to domestic violence, but no they have not reduced DV cases.

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Eaton that the 2010 District Court Annual Report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

EQUALIZATION REPORT

Judy Nelson, Equalization Director, presented the 2011 Equalization Report. She stated that the Equalization Department makes sure that there is equity among units using numbers presented to them by the assessors. The report has been reviewed by the State Tax Commission and she further stated that there will be no factors applied this year. The County over-all maintained their numbers, but there was a 20% loss in the Village of Centreville. Sales of high end residential especially on the lakes are strong.

County-wide shows a negative in the residential and commercial in the real property but the personal property in commercial increased which results in keeping the County afloat for a while.

There were still a lot of foreclosures in 2010 and 2011 is keeping pace with 46 in January of 2010 and 54 in January of this year; 50 in February of 2010 and 25 this year; and 30 in March of 2010 and 28 this year.

Mrs. Nelson believes that we will not see a lot of growth in St. Joseph County for a while and in answer to a question she stated that we typically do better than Cass and Branch Counties.

Following is the report:

PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY

TOWNSHIP OR CITY	ACRES 100THS	TOTAL REAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS		PERSONAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS		TOTAL REAL PLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY	
		ASSESSED VALUE	EQUALIZED VALUE	ASSESSED VALUE	EQUALIZED VAUE	ASSESSED VALUE	EQUALIZED VALUE
BURR OAK	21.90	\$87,345,700	\$87,345,700	\$2,471,700	\$2,471,700	\$89,817,400	\$89,817,400
COLON	21.03	\$131,443,200	\$131,443,200	\$4,221,900	\$4,221,900	\$135,665,100	\$135,665,100
CONSTANTINE	20.98	\$129,468,740	\$129,468,740	\$18,416,600	\$18,416,600	\$147,885,340	\$147,885,340
FABIUS	20.10	\$227,465,100	\$227,465,100	\$6,413,200	\$6,413,200	\$233,878,300	\$233,878,300
FAWN RIVER	12.26	\$49,151,500	\$49,151,500	\$709,500	\$709,500	\$49,861,000	\$49,861,000
FLORENCE	21.39	\$64,361,700	\$64,361,700	\$1,543,500	\$1,543,500	\$65,905,200	\$65,905,200
FLOWERFIELD	22.79	\$74,111,578	\$74,111,578	\$4,461,729	\$4,461,729	\$78,573,307	\$78,573,307
LEONIDAS	22.65	\$61,426,000	\$61,426,000	\$1,215,300	\$1,215,300	\$62,641,300	\$62,641,300
LOCKPORT	18.15	\$121,626,700	\$121,626,700	\$3,376,400	\$3,376,400	\$125,003,100	\$125,003,100
MENDON	21.69	\$92,728,300	\$92,728,300	\$18,025,000	\$18,025,000	\$110,753,300	\$110,753,300
MOTTVILLE	12.37	\$62,443,600	\$62,443,600	\$10,952,800	\$10,952,800	\$73,396,400	\$73,396,400
NOTTAWA	21.97	\$156,494,200	\$156,494,200	\$4,269,300	\$4,269,300	\$160,763,500	\$160,763,500
PARK	22.26	\$141,371,000	\$141,371,000	\$12,743,800	\$12,743,800	\$154,114,800	\$154,114,800
SHERMAN	21.00	\$151,612,100	\$151,612,100	\$3,240,800	\$3,240,800	\$154,852,900	\$154,852,900
STURGIS	11.30	\$63,875,200	\$63,875,200	\$2,940,100	\$2,940,100	\$66,815,300	\$66,815,300
W. PIGEON	15.03	\$198,193,400	\$198,193,400	\$44,887,100	\$44,887,100	\$243,080,500	\$243,080,500
STURGIS CITY	0.00	\$211,477,150	\$211,477,150	\$61,088,500	\$61,088,500	\$272,565,650	\$272,565,650
THREE RIV.	31.33	\$156,803,000	\$156,803,000	\$65,285,800	\$65,285,800	\$222,088,800	\$222,088,800
	338.20	\$2,181,398,168	\$2,181,398,168	\$266,263,029	\$266,263,029	\$2,447,661,197	\$2,447,661,197

	AGRICULTURE	COMMERCIAL	INDUSTRIAL	RESIDENTIAL	DEVELOP- MENTAL	TOTAL REAL PROPERTY
BURR OAK	\$39,260,800	\$1,025,900	\$1,011,700	\$46,047,300		\$87,345,700
COLON	\$36,733,000	\$4,645,400	\$3,274,700	\$86,790,100		\$131,443,200
CONSTANTINE	\$28,880,100	\$4,724,400	\$26,311,600	\$69,552,640		\$129,468,740
FABIUS	\$17,153,800	\$4,891,200	\$4,943,500	\$200,476,600		\$227,465,100
FAWN RIVER	\$17,126,000	\$1,647,800	\$0	\$30,377,700		\$49,151,500
FLORENCE	\$41,542,100	\$0	\$146,400	\$22,673,200		\$64,361,700
FLOWERFIELD	\$26,090,500	\$1,448,520	\$324,150	\$46,248,408		\$74,111,578
LEONIDAS	\$39,829,100	\$757,100	\$0	\$20,839,800		\$61,426,000
LOCKPORT	\$24,484,000	\$4,379,700	\$967,800	\$91,795,200		\$121,626,700
MENDON	\$36,838,800	\$3,449,000	\$5,170,900	\$47,269,600		\$92,728,300
MOTTVILLE	\$19,498,400	\$2,259,900	\$12,191,800	\$28,493,500		\$62,443,600
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PARK	\$37,666,100	\$8,265,900	\$6,327,300	\$89,111,700		\$141,371,000
SHERMAN	\$25,765,300	\$1,311,900	\$185,700	\$124,349,200		\$151,612,100
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STURGIS CITY	\$562,700	\$43,772,250	\$50,960,500	\$116,181,700		\$211,477,150
THREE RIV.	\$0	\$57,844,200	\$31,666,700	\$67,292,100		\$156,803,000
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It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Eaton that the 2011 Equalization Report be adopted.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Report adopted.

AGREEMENT WITH VILLAGE OF CENTREVILLE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

Ms. West-Wing stated that this is a renewal of an Agreement with the Village of Centreville, this being the 15th year. The Agreement is for 2 Deputies and the Village pays for all actual costs.

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Ware that the Agreement with the Village of Centreville for Law Enforcement Services be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

USE AGREEMENT WITH MUNICIPALITIES FOR NEW LAPTOPS

Ms. West-Wing recommended that the Board approve the Letters of Understanding with all municipalities for new laptops for their patrol cars including printers and mounting equipment, etc.

City of Sturgis - 7 Laptops

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Ware that the Letter of Understanding with the City of Sturgis for 7 laptops and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

City of Three Rivers - 6 Laptops

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Dobberteen that the Letter of Understanding with the City of Three Rivers for 6 laptops and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Michigan State Police - 10 Laptops

Because of the elimination of the post commander at White Pigeon and the elimination of some Road Troopers, Commissioner Baker asked what happens if all 10 laptops are not used and suggested that we get them back.

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Ware that the Letter of Understanding with the Michigan State Police for 10 laptops and other equipment be approved and if all of them are not used that we get those back.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Sheriff Department - 7 Laptops

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Baker that the Letter of Understanding with the Sheriff's Department for 7 laptops and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Village of Burr Oak - 1 Laptop

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Ware that the Letter of Understanding with the Village of Burr Oak for 1 laptop and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Village of Centreville - 1 Laptop

It was moved by Commissioner Eaton and supported by Commissioner Baker that the Letter of Understanding with the Village of Centreville for 1 laptop and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Village of Colon - 2 Laptops

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Balog that the Letter of Understanding with the Village of Colon for 2 laptops and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Village of Constantine - 2 Laptops

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Baker that the Letter of Understanding with the Village of Constantine for 2 laptops and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Village of Mendon - 2 Laptops

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Balog that the Letter of Understanding with the Village of Mendon for 2 laptops and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Village of White Pigeon - 3 Laptops

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Balog that the Letter of Understanding with the Village of White Pigeon for 3 laptops and other equipment be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

MERS SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASE

Ms. West-Wing stated that there are 5 more employees that wish to buy service credit through MERS towards their retirement.

Anita Buscher

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Baker that Anita Buscher be allowed to buy 5 years of governmental service credit for \$24,682.00.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Judy Nelson

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Baker that Judy Nelson be allowed to buy 5 years of generic service credit for \$63,246.00.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Donna Schrock

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Balog that Donna Schrock be allowed to buy 5 years of generic service credit for \$29,212.00.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Brenda Babcock

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Dobberteen that Brenda Babcock be allowed to buy 5 years of generic service credit for \$40,606.00.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

Vicky Anders

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Ware that Vicky Anders be allowed to buy 2 years and 6 months of generic service credit for \$18,829.00.

Commissioner Baker stated that he thought that this issue should be discussed at a work session regarding future hires.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

BEAVER LAKE LOAN EXTENSION

Ms. West-Wing stated that because of a mix-up in the tax levy, the special assessment for Beaver Lake was not put on the December tax bills. They will levy it in the summer.

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Ware that the Beaver Lake Loan be extended.

Commissioner Eaton asked what the size of the loan was.

Ms. West-Wing stated that the total loan for all lake levels is \$75,000 and the Beaver Lake loan is a part of that total loan.

Responding to a question, Mr. Carey stated that we are receiving 2% to 3% interest.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

FILL EXTENSION PART-TIME CROPS POSITION

Ms. West-Wing stated that Brad Neumann requested at the Executive Committee last week that the extension part-time crops position be filled and he would like to offer the position to the soon to be retired Maury Kaercher for 19 hours per week at \$30 per hour for 33 weeks. She further stated that this position is funded in the 2011 budget even though the position has not been filled.

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Eaton that this position be filled as stated above.

Ms. West-Wing stated that Mr. Kaercher has not yet responded to the offer.

The motion was amended to just say that the position be filled for 19 hours per week. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO FILL FINANCE DIRECTOR'S POSITION

Ms. West-Wing stated that it was on Monday that she received a letter of retirement from Dan Carey, Finance Director. Mr. Carey stated that he would stay until the position is filled so she is requesting that she be allowed to fill the position.

It was moved by Commissioner Eaton and supported by Commissioner Dobberteen that the Finance Director's position be filled. Motion carried. Chairman Shaffer noted that Mr. Carey's retirement is with regrets.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

It was moved by Commissioner Eaton and supported by Commissioner Dobberteen that Greg Hackman and Gwen Donmyer be reappointed to the Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for 3 years expiring March 31, 2014. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement

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

Judiciary

Commissioner Balog stated that the next Judiciary Committee Meeting will be held on May 11th at noon.

Physical Resources

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

Executive Committee

Commissioner Dobberteen stated that everyone had copies of the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on April 15, 2011 and he would answer any questions that anyone may have.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Ms. West-Wing presented the following report:

MISCELLANEOUS:

Judy Buchner-VanCamp, Corrections Officer, will be on medical leave commencing April 27, 2011 under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993.

Kathleen Hughes, COA Nutrition Director, will be on medical leave commencing April 13, 2011 under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993.

TEMPORARY/SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT:

Michelle Kelly has been hired as seasonal Cade Lake Campground Supervisor at \$10.50/hr. effective April 26, 2011.

Sherry L. Bowen has been hired as seasonal Park Maintenance at \$8.25/hr. effective April 26, 2011.

Kenneth M. Krontz has been hired as seasonal Cade Lake Park Caretaker/Attendant at \$7.75/hr. effective April 26, 2011.

Pamela E. Krontz has been hired as seasonal Cade Lake Park Office at \$7.75/hr. effective April 26, 2011.

RETIREMENT:

Daniel Carey, Finance Director, will retire, date to-be-determined upon selection of suitable replacement and appropriate training.

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

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Ms. West-Wing presented the following report:

2010 BUDGET AMENDMENT:

	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>
Finance Department	\$250 Personnel	\$250 Contingency
Prosecutor's Office	\$500 Library	\$500 Contingency
Drain	\$900 Personnel	\$900 Contingency
Sheriff	\$24,000 Vehicle	\$12,000 Personnel \$12,000 Contingency
Jail	\$267,014 Grant Revenue	\$267,014 Solar Project Capital
Family Counseling Fund	\$1,200 Operating	\$1,200 Use of Fund Balance

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Dobberteen that the budget amendment be approved. Motion carried.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Per Diem

Robin Baker - 13 half days 3/16, 3/17, 3/21, 3/24 x 3, 3/28 x 2, 4/1, 4/6, 4/12, 4/15 & 4/18/11 & 1 full day 3/29/11	\$ 745.00
Allen Balog - 8 half days 3/16 x 2, 3/24 x 2, 3/28, 4/1 & 4/12/11 x 2 & 1 full day 3/29/11	495.00
John Dobberteen - 8 half days 3/3, 3/22, 3/23, 3/24, 3/31, 4/1, 4/12 & 4/15/11 & 3 full days 3/21, 3/29 & 4/18/11	685.00
Don Eaton - 7 half days 3/2, 3/8, 3/9, 3/17, 3/23 & 4/15/11 x 2 & 2 full days 3/11 & 3/29/11	540.00
Jerry Ware - 5 half days 3/31, 4/6, 4/11, 4/12 & 4/15/11	<u>250.00</u>
	\$2,715.00

Expenses

Robin Baker	\$ 198.90
Allen Balog	139.74
John Dobberteen	251.94
Don Eaton	97.92
Jerry Ware	<u>61.20</u>
	\$ 749.70

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

Finance Statement

	Revenues	Expenditures
March	\$ 1,148,137	\$ 1,141,064
Year to Date	3,198,256	3,418,254

Period Fund Balance	\$7,073.00
Year to Date	(\$219,997)
Percent of budget year elapsed year to date.	25.00%
Percent of total budgeted funds earned year to date	21.80%
Percent of total budgeted funds expended year to date	23.30%

It was moved by Commissioner Balog and supported by Commissioner Baker that the finance statement be accepted. Motion carried.

Independent Contractor's Agreement

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and supported by Commissioner Ware that an Independent Contractor's Agreement with Michael Haydon to conduct site visits and formulate emergency site plans for new sites be approved.

The aye and nay vote was called as follows:

Aye votes cast: 6 - Commissioners Shaffer, Balog, Baker, Ware, Eaton and Dobberteen.

Nay votes cast: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Loudenslager.

Motion carried.

WORK SESSION

It was the consensus that the next work session be scheduled for May 18th at 3:00 p.m. to discuss MSUE staffing for next year.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Dennis Bohm asked if there were going to be any further discussion on the Trine issue.

Commissioner Eaton stated that there will be a meeting held at the Intermediate School Office at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, 2011 for folks from industry, manufacturing and partnerships and that anyone can attend.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Dobberteen and supported by Commissioner Ware that the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners adjourn until May 2, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Pattie S. Bender, County Clerk

Rick Shaffer, Chairman