

**KENT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

*Thursday, June 22, 2000  
Administration Building - Room 310*

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Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chair Steven R. Heacock.

Present: Commissioners Boelema, Buege, Hiddema, Horton, Kooiman, Kuhn, Kuipers, Malone, Mast, McGuire, Morren, Postmus, Rekeny, Sak, Smoke, Talen, Turner, Wahlfield, Chair Heacock – 19.

Absent: None.

Invocation: Commissioner Sak introduced Father Robert Cary, Paulist Father, Director of Catholic Information Center, who gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Morren, supported by Commissioner Mast, that the minutes of the Finance Committee (reports of Claims and Allowances) of June 6, 2000, be received, concurred in and filed.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Turner, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 19.

Nays: 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Smith, International UAW Representative assigned to represent Local 2600 – Labor negotiations have been ongoing for nearly 12 months and she feels they need the assistance of a mediator. A meeting has been scheduled with a mediator for labor negotiations between Local 2600 and Kent County on July 18, 2000. She requested assistance from the Board of Commissioners to grant binding arbitration.

Ginny Smith, President of Local 2600 UAW – The union bargaining team has been meeting since last August. In light of the inability to effectively communicate with the County, they have been agreeable to mediation. The union feels it would be a waste of time if mediation is not binding. She said the union would like to settle the contract issues, and asked the Commissioners to take time to consider their request for binding arbitration objectively.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Retiree Recognition

Chair Heacock presented the following two retirees with service recognition awards: 1) John

Apol, Circuit Court Family Division – 30 years; 2) Conrad Thompkins, Department of Aeronautics – 15 years.

District Library Millage Presentation

Ruth McCrank, Deputy Director of the Kent District Library, distributed information (copy of which is on file in the Office of the County Clerk) on the district library millage proposal. The millage proposal on August 8 asks for 0.88 mill for four years. This is a renewal and a small increase of Kent District Library's existing millage.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approval of the Minutes of June 8, 2000 Meeting
- b) Appointment – Kent District Library – Region 4 – Charles Myers
- c) Appointment – Courthouse Historical Committee – Commissioners Malone & Kuhn, Jim Leach, Tom Mathison, Dale Sommers, Jim O'Connor, Tim Chester, Joe Soper, Judge Stuart Hoffius, Gordon Olson and Gary Walker.
- d) Resolutions:

6-22-00-66 – APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH HOME REPAIR SERVICES OF KENT COUNTY, INC. / COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, on September 9, 1999, the Board of Commissioners approved (Resolution 9-9-99-121) Community Development's request to enter into a contract with Home Repair Services of Kent County, Inc. (HRS) for the provision of emergency home repair and related services; and

WHEREAS, this amendment allows an internal budget transfer of \$6,000 (this transfer does not increase the total funding for this contract) from Emergency Minor Home Repair to Access Modifications to reflect the actual demand for services; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the amendment would increase HRS's funding allotment by \$11,730 to allow the purchase of computer network equipment to increase operational effectiveness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves Community Development's request to amend the contract with Home Repair Services of Kent County, Inc. for the provision of emergency home repair and related services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chair to sign the amendment to the agreement.

6-22-00-67 – APPROVE PURCHASE OF WEATHER RADIOS FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Emergency Management operation has solicited donations in the amount of \$2,210 with the stipulation that they be used to acquire radios for severe weather notification.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approve an increase of \$2,210 to the 2000 Emergency Management Budget to recognize these donations and their expenditure.

6-22-00-68 – FINANCIAL/HUMAN RESOURCES SYSTEM / FISCAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Financial/Human Resources System is experiencing a problem in the overstatement of pre-encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, attempts to correct this problem have been ineffective; and

WHEREAS, the inability to correct this problem is creating budget difficulties for a number of funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners grant the County Administrator/Controller temporary authorization to increase the budget of any expenditure account that has been negatively impacted by this software problem. The authorization would also terminate and the adjustment would be reversed upon resolution of this problem.

6-22-00-69 – GRANT APPLICATION TO BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION AND ADOPT GRANT BUDGET / SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the goal of the program is to reduce recidivism in in-home violence through education on abusive behavior and its adverse impacts on partners and children; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department will use existing community service agencies such as the YWCA of Grand Rapids and Kent County Health Department to conduct the educational program; and

WHEREAS, the grant pays for the program facilitators and printing of a brochure; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated grant startup is January 1, 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the Sheriff's request to submit an application to the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation for a Batterer's Intervention Program Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the grant budget subject to the award of the grant.

6-22-00-70 – ADOPTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY ON RECORDS RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION / ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the County is required by various laws, rules, and regulations to retain records for a period of time ("retention period"); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County for each department to establish legal retention schedules for the records under its control; and

WHEREAS, the Records Management Committee has completed a policy on Records Retention and Destruction which has been reviewed by all County departments; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the Records Retention and Destruction policy will achieve the following goals:

Provide departments with the legal retention period for their records and require an annual review of the retention schedule;

Provide Central Services with parameters necessary for purging and destruction of records in a timely way;

Establish guidelines for storage facilities and approved methods for legal destruction of records;

Optimize the storage of County records;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners adopt the Administrative Policy on Records Retention and Destruction.

6-22-00-71 – PROPERTY LEASE WITH RIETBERG INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY FOR 63<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT / 63<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT

WHEREAS, since 1989, the County has leased commercial property at 4326-4362 Cascade Road SE in Grand Rapids (Cascade Square) for the offices of the 63<sup>rd</sup> District Court; and

WHEREAS, the current lease expired in 1996, and was extended without formal agreement on a month-by-month basis; and

WHEREAS, the 63<sup>rd</sup> District Court, with the approval of the Facilities Management Department, wishes to renew the lease for an additional three-year term at the rate of \$11,100.00 per month for the entire term; and

WHEREAS, the lease has been revised to reflect sound legal practices and in accordance with the County's leasing policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the revised lease of commercial property at 4326-4362 Cascade Road SE in Grand Rapids (Cascade Square) for the offices of the 63<sup>rd</sup> District Court at a rate of \$11,100.00 per month for a period of three years.

6-22-00-72 – TRANSFER OF AGREEMENTS AND PROPERTIES TO THE GRAND RAPIDS – KENT COUNTY CONVENTION / ARENA AUTHORITY / BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Grand Rapids – Kent County Convention/Arena Authority ("CAA") was established pursuant to Act 203 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1999 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, enlarging, renewing, replacing, repairing, financing, refinancing, equipping and operating convention facilities, including arenas and real property on which they are located; and

WHEREAS, the site for the new convention center (including the Grand Center, the Hall of Justice and the Police Station properties) (collectively, the "Properties") is currently owned by the County, the City of Grand Rapids (the "City") and the City-County Joint Building Authority (the "JBA"); and

WHEREAS, the County has entered into a number of contracts for the operation of the Properties (collectively, the "Contracts"); and

WHEREAS, the City and the County entered into an Operating Agreement and

the City, the County, the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Grand Rapids and Grand Action entered into a Memorandum of Understanding, each dated as of March 29, 2000, which require (a) assignment to the CAA of the Contracts, (b) conveyance to the CAA of certain of the

Properties owned by the County, and (c) conveyance to the CAA of the current incidents of ownership and the future right to own the Properties now owned by the JBA following payment in full of the relevant bonds affecting such Properties; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a new convention center is necessary to the continuing growth and vitality of the economy of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the transfer of the Properties, the Contracts and operation of the Grand Center to the CAA effective July 1, 2000 is approved.

2. That the Board Chairperson and County Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the County such assignment and assumption agreements, leases, subleases, and such other documents (in form approved by counsel to the County) as are deemed necessary to effectuate a transfer effective July 1, 2000, of the Contracts, the Properties, and the ownership and/or rights to use and operate the Properties, to and for the benefit of the CAA.

3. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

6-22-00-73 – REVISION TO MANAGEMENT PAY PLAN AND JUDICIARY BENEFITS / HUMAN RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the fringe benefit schedule of the Management Pay Plan has not had a major revision since 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Department, with the assistance of the Human Resources Advisory Council, has examined the benefit schedule and recommended revisions; and

WHEREAS, the recommended changes are the result of observed problem areas, contractual changes for bargaining unit employees, and minor language changes to provide a clearer understanding of the benefit(s); and

WHEREAS, the benefits offered the Judiciary normally track the benefits offered MPP employees. Changes to the Judiciary benefit plan are: health coverage and co-pays, pension contribution rate, retiree health care, and mileage; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the benefit plan is on file in the Clerk's Office with changes outlined in bold.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the revisions to the Management Pay Plan Benefit schedule and the benefits offered the judiciary.

6-22-00-74 – AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF KENT COUNTY EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT PLAN AND TRUST / HUMAN RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the Kent County Board of Commissioners adopted the Kent County Employees' Retirement Plan originally effective December 8, 1948, which the Retirement Plan has been amended from time to time thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners had determined that certain changes must be made to the Plan to respond to Federal Tax Legislation, recent collective bargaining

agreements, benefit changes made by the Kent County Officers Compensation Commission, benefit changes approved for management pay plan employees, to conform Plan language to certain administrative practices, the option to pay for purchases of military service on a pre-tax basis and to permit post-retirement divisions of Retirement Plan benefits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Employees' Retirement Plan and Trust be amended in the form of the attached Exhibit A, identified as the January 1, 1997 Restatement, generally effective January 1, 1997; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator/Controller is authorized and directed to file an application with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for approval of the restatement of the Plan and to execute such amendments to the Plan as may be required by the IRS as a condition of their approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Timothy J. Tornga and Mary W. Manguse at Varnum, Riddering, Schmidt & Howlett LLP are appointed as attorneys in fact of the County to represent it before the IRS with respect to the Plan, and the County Administrator/Controller is authorized and directed to execute a power of attorney to them for this purpose.

6-22-00-75 – POLICE LABOR AGREEMENT – LIEUTENANTS & CAPTAINS / SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Negotiating Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, recommends approval of a three-year labor contract with the Police Officers Labor Council representing employees of the Sheriff's Department in the classifications of Lieutenant and Captain, and

WHEREAS, the proposed agreement is summarized on attachments to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, this proposed contract has been ratified by members of the Police Officers Labor Council; and

WHEREAS, the salary and fringe benefit increases will result in a cost of \$251,438 for the length of the contract, and

WHEREAS, this contract settlement will affect 19 full-time employees assigned exclusively to the Sheriff's Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby approve and ratify said proposed contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair is authorized and directed to sign said agreement on behalf of Kent County.

(Commissioner Turner left at this time.)

Motion by Commissioner Hiddema to remove resolution 6-22-00-68 from the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Sak, supported by Commissioner McGuire, to approve the remaining

items on the Consent Agenda as presented.  
Motion carried by voice vote.

6-22-00-68 – FINANCIAL/HUMAN RESOURCES SYSTEM / FISCAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Financial/Human Resources System is experiencing a problem in the overstatement of pre-encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, attempts to correct this problem have been ineffective; and

WHEREAS, the inability to correct this problem is creating budget difficulties for a number of funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of

Commissioners grant the County Administrator/Controller temporary authorization to increase the budget of any expenditure account that has been negatively impacted by this software problem. The authorization would also terminate and the adjustment would be reversed upon resolution of this problem.

Motion by Commissioner Sak, supported by Commissioner Kooiman, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried by voice vote.

RESOLUTIONS

6-22-00-77 – SPARTA LANDFILL – LEGAL FEES / PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the Sparta Landfill was operated as part of the County Solid Waste Disposal System until its closure in 1976, and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the closure, the County through its Board of Public Works initiated legal action against one of its insurance carriers seeking reimbursement, and

WHEREAS, the 2000 budget for the Sparta Landfill Legal Fees has been exhausted and there remains invoices for services unpaid at this time. It is also anticipated that additional fees will be charged for the remainder of 2000. Funds are available in the Solid Waste-Perpetual Care Reserves.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves a \$35,000 increase in the 2000 Solid Waste Fund Sparta-Legal Fee Account.

Motion by Commissioner Buege, supported by Commissioner Mast, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

6-22-00-78 – GRAND RAPIDS – KENT COUNTY CONVENTION / ARENA AUTHORITY BUDGETS / BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Article X of the Articles of Organization of the Grand Rapids-Kent County Convention/Arena Authority (CAA), approved by the Kent County Board of Commissioners and Grand Rapids City Commission on March 29, 2000, provide for certain reserve powers of the Board of Commissioners and City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the reserve powers include a provision that the Board of Commissioners and City Commission approve the first annual operating budgets of the CAA; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting held May 24, 2000, the CAA Board approved the SMG Van Andel Arena FY2001 Operating Budget and Capital Schedules, the SMG Grand Center FY2001 Operating Budget and Capital Schedules, and the CAA 14-month Operating/Capital Budget, for the period ending June 30, 2001; and

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2000, the Liaison Committee (County Commissioners Kooiman, Postmus, and Boelema, and City Commissioners Dean, Rabout, and Schmidt) reviewed the budgets and recommend their approval by the Board of Commissioners and the Grand Rapids City Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the SMG Van Andel Arena FY2001 Operating Budget and Capital

Schedules, the SMG Grand Center FY2001 Operating Budget and Capital Schedules, and the Grand Rapids-Kent County Convention/Arena Authority 14-month Operating/Capital Budget, for the period ending June 30, 2001 attached hereto (a copy of the budget need not be included in the published minutes but shall be on file in the County Clerk's Office).

Motion by Commissioner Wahlfield, supported by Commissioner Kooiman, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

6-22-00-79 – GRANT APPLICATION APPROVAL FOR EXPANSION OF ALTERNATIVE DIRECTIONS PROGRAM / COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

WHEREAS, the State Department of Corrections has made available funds for communities to expand programming that provides alternatives to jail and prison; and

WHEREAS, Alternative Directions is the primary Probation Residential Program under contract to Kent County for housing and services for offenders on felony adult probation. Funding for the program is provided by the State via Local Facility Expansion Program (LFEP) Grants administered by the State Office of Community Corrections; and

WHEREAS, Alternative Directions is seeking resources to expand their 70-bed operation by 26 beds at a cost of \$440,000. The State grant will cover up to \$8,000 per bed or \$208,000. Alternative Directions will be responsible for the remainder of the cost, and will initiate a capital building fundraising campaign to secure or finance the additional resources; and

WHEREAS, increased operating costs associated with the expansion will be funded by the State; and

WHEREAS, the State process requires the approval of the Kent County Community Corrections Advisory Board and the Board of Commissioners because the LFEP becomes part of the Kent County comprehensive corrections plan and Kent County will serve as the fiduciary of the funds, entering into a contract with Alternative Directions with respect to completing the project. Only the State's portion of the project would be included in the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Office of Community Corrections' grant application to the Local Facility Expansion Program for an expansion to the Alternative Directions Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves an amendment to the budget and authorizes the Chair to sign a contract providing for completion of the project, if approved.

Motion by Commissioner Buege, supported by Commissioner Kooiman, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

6-22-00-80 – APPROVAL OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE

DIVERSION, POSITION ADDITION AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT /  
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Community Health has invited proposals for juvenile justice diversion emphasizing mental health involvement and assessment; and

WHEREAS, currently, the Circuit Court - Family Division staff conducts an initial screening of all cases pending before the court, and contracts with CMH to do mental health

assessments on cases referred from the initial screening and at the time juveniles are admitted to detention. This proposal would provide for a CMH Assessor/Treater at the Court to provide screening and assessment at the point of intake, allowing for earlier identification and possible diversion and treatment of youth with Severe Emotional Disturbance; and

WHEREAS, according to the Circuit Court - Family Division, 316 of the 531 (59 percent) new cases in 1999 involved youth with previous involvement with mental health services. In 1998, 324 of 647 (50 percent) of the new cases had previous mental health involvement; and

WHEREAS, the grant period is expected to last from August 2000 through September 31, 2001. During that time, CMH and the Family Division will collect evaluation data including the number of youth assessed and diverted, and the recidivism of those youth; and

WHEREAS, DCH is requiring that all grant applications for juvenile diversion be approved by the Multi-Purpose Collaborative Body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves Kent CMH's application for funding for the juvenile justice mental health assessment and diversion program and the addition of one Assessor/Treater (UAW Range 28) to Cornerstone, pending approval of a grant application to the Michigan Department of Community Health; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves an amendment to the 2000 Budget to account for revenues and expenditures associated with the grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that unless the categorical grant funding continues to support the position, the position will be eliminated unless continuation funding is approved pursuant to the Fiscal Policy on Grants and Contracts.

Motion by Commissioner Buege, supported by Commissioner Sak, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

6-22-00-81 – HEALTH LAB – BIOTERRORISM RESPONSE / HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, MDCH has received funding to prepare a response to bioterrorism. Some funds have been allocated to the regional laboratories to enhance capacity; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department's laboratory has been allocated funds for this capacity. The role of the laboratory will be to isolate and identify biologic agents that are involved or suspected of being involved in the bioterrorism action; and

WHEREAS, at this time KCHD staff are not recommending adding a new position with this funding. As more information is gathered regarding this initiative, a specific plan for the lab will be developed; and

WHEREAS, KCHD staff is concurrently preparing to respond to bioterrorism in our community. This includes collaborating with other community agencies and law enforcement. The laboratory role is integrated at the local level into this planning process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the CPBC grant amendment of \$43,818 and adjust the budget to account for the additional revenues and expenditures.

Motion by Commissioner Mast, supported by Commissioner McGuire, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

6-22-00-82 – CDC CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION GRANT / HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Childhood Lead Poisoning is a major preventable environmental health problem effecting hundreds of children in Kent County; and

WHEREAS, the Kent County Health Department has administered out the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention activities since 1978. Grant funded activities have included provision of a mobile lead screening unit, blood screening, education, enforcement, and coordination of house cleaning; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, 7,018 children were screened for lead poisoning, of which 1,320 (19%) exceeded the level of 10 micrograms per deciliter; and

WHEREAS, the CDC allows broad goals to work within the community to reduce the incidence of lead poisoning. Activities include surveillance, dwelling inspection, education, data analysis, and direct involvement with the medical community. Past CDC activities have been effective in reaching target populations. The grant request is for funding of \$75,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the grant application and amends the budget to account for the associated revenues and expenditures.

Motion by Commissioner McGuire, supported by Commissioner Sak, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

6-22-00-83 – GRANT APPLICATION TO STATE FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY / FRIEND OF THE COURT

WHEREAS, the Michigan Family Independence Agency provides funding to

counties to operate a Cooperative Reimbursement Program designed to establish paternity as well as secure and enforce support orders; and

WHEREAS, the Friend of the Court's Cooperative Reimbursement Program currently operates with 94 full-time positions plus 5.6 FTE's in support services from the Circuit Court – Family Division (Referees & clerical); and

WHEREAS, the application for FY01 is due by June 30, 2000, prior to the completion of the County budget process; and

WHEREAS, to take advantage of available grant funding, the application includes five new positions and office equipment as well as all technology improvements recommended in the MGT study; and

WHEREAS, the technology recommendations (up to \$232,255) may not be approved for reimbursement by the State; and

WHEREAS, if the FOC budget ultimately approved by the Board of Commissioners differs from the one included in the application, the grant contract and budget will be amended to agree with the final approved allocation; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated grant period is October 1, 2000, to September 30, 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the Friend of the Court's application to the State Family Independence Agency for an FY2001 Title IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event grant funding is terminated or decreased, the position(s) will be eliminated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chair to sign all grant documents.

Motion by Commissioner Malone, supported by Commissioner Smoke, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 17.

Nays: 0.

Absent from room: Kuhn – 1.

6-22-00-84 – GRANT APPLICATION TO STATE FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY /  
PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Michigan Family Independence Agency provides funding to counties to operate a Cooperative Reimbursement Program designed to establish paternity as well as to secure and enforce support orders; and

WHEREAS, the Prosecutor's Cooperative Reimbursement Program will continue with 19 full-time positions; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated grant period is October 1, 2000, to September 30, 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the Prosecutor's Office application to the State Family Independence Agency for an FY2001 Title IV-D D Cooperative Reimbursement Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event grant funding is terminated or decreased, the position(s) will be eliminated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chair to sign all grant documents.

Motion by Commissioner Malone, supported by Commissioner Smoke, moved the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 17.

Nays: 0.

Absent from room: Kuhn – 1.

6-22-00-85 – ACCEPT MUNICIPAL LANDEILL COST-SHARE GRANT FOR KENTWOOD LANDEILL / PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan and the Department of Environmental Quality provide Municipal Landfill Cost-Share Grants to qualified communities for eligible cleanup and redevelopment costs at municipal solid waste landfills on, or proposed for, the National Priorities List; and

WHEREAS, Kent County incurred eligible response action costs within the grant period at the Kentwood Landfill, for which a grant application was submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality by September 30, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Brownfield Redevelopment Board on April 26, 2000, authorized the award of a Municipal Landfill Cost-Share Grant in the amount of \$138,969 to Kent County to pay for 50 percent of eligible costs incurred at the Kentwood Landfill.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that as a condition of receiving said grant, Kent County hereby commits to make reasonable efforts to pursue any insurance coverage that may be available to cover the eligible costs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts a Municipal Landfill Cost-Share Grant for the Kentwood Landfill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners directs the Board of Public Works to execute the agreement on behalf of the County.

Motion by Commissioner Malone, supported by Commissioner Kooiman, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

6-22-00-86 – ACCEPT MUNICIPAL LANDEILL COST-SHARE GRANT FOR SPARTA LANDEILL / PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan and the Department of Environmental Quality provide Municipal Landfill Cost-Share Grants to qualified communities for eligible cleanup and redevelopment costs at municipal solid waste landfills on, or proposed for, the National Priorities List; and

WHEREAS, Kent County incurred eligible response action costs within the grant period at the Sparta Landfill, for which a grant application was submitted to the Department of

Environmental Quality by September 30, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Brownfield Redevelopment Board on April 26, 2000, authorized the award of a Municipal Landfill Cost-Share Grant in the amount of \$45,048 to Kent County to pay for 50 percent of eligible costs incurred at the Sparta Landfill.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that as a condition of receiving said grant, Kent County hereby commits to make reasonable efforts to pursue any insurance coverage that may be available to cover the eligible costs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts a Municipal Landfill Cost-Share Grant for the Sparta Landfill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners

directs the Board of Public Works to execute the agreement on behalf of the County.

Motion by Commissioner Malone, supported by Commissioner Kooiman, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Talen, Smoke, Sak, Rekeny, Postmus, Morren, McGuire, Mast, Malone, Kuipers, Kuhn, Kooiman, Horton, Hiddema, Buege, Boelema, Chair Heacock – 18.

Nays: 0.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

##### Re-Election

Commissioner Rekeny announced that she is not running for reelection. She stated a Press Release was sent out in April of this year announcing her plans to not seek reelection, however several people had approached her and said they were unaware of her decision.

##### Labor Negotiations

Commissioner Sak requested the financial specifics that are separating the two entities with regard to labor negotiations.

Commissioner Talen expressed his disappointment with some of the comments made during public comment concerning the County Administrator.

##### Introduction

Commissioner Horton introduced Ron Mayers, candidate running for County Commission in District 2.

##### Handouts

Commissioner Kuhn stated that Commissioners received a couple of handouts including a comparison of the proposals presented to the union. They also received two airport pieces; one is a briefing paper on the runway & history, and the other is the history of the voluntary noise exposure program that the airport is undergoing. She said it is important that Commissioners as elected officials receive accurate information, and announced that shortly they will be receiving a response to the comments made at the last board meeting.

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 9:35 a.m., Commissioner Sak moved to adjourn, subject to the call of the Chair, and to Thursday, July 13, 2000 at 8:30 a.m. for an Official Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner McGuire.

Motion carried.

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Chair

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Chief Deputy County Clerk