

KENT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

*Thursday, September 23, 2004
Administration Building - Room 310*

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chair David J. Morren.

Present: Commissioners Agee, Boelema, Bulkowski, Hiddema, Horton, Koorndyk, Kuipers, Mayhue, Morgan, Postmus, Rolls, Tanis, VanderMolen, Vaughn, Voorhees, Wahlfield, Chair Morren – 17.

Absent: Mast, Vonk – 2 (Excused).

Invocation: Commissioner Vaughn gave the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Isaac Sproat, 105 Cummings SW, Grand Rapids - Upset that he did not know about an easement on his property (where he has lived for 40 years) that was established in 1910, until the Drain Commissioner recently contacted him. The Drain Commissioner never recorded the easement in the office of the Register of Deeds. He believes that somehow people should be made aware of any easements on their property prior to purchasing it.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approval of the Minutes of September 9, 2004 Meeting
- b) September 7, 2004 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
(Reports of Claims and Allowances)
- c) Resolutions:

9-23-04-84 – BREAST AND CERVICAL CANCER CONTROL PROGRAM (BCCCP)
BUDGET APPROPRIATION / HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Health Department has received notice that the request to increase caseload for the FY 2004 Family Planning/BCCCP Joint Project was approved, raising the caseload from 275 to 285. An additional \$500 has been approved for this additional caseload; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department has also received notice that additional funding of \$2,692 has been approved for FY 2004 to purchase incentives for program participants in BCCCP. The Michigan Department of Community Health received approval from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund the purchase of these incentives at the local level. These incentives are intended to motivate women to receive services and refer other women to the program; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department intends to give an incentive to each participant who completes a Women's Health Network Breast or Cervical Cancer Screening appointment. Any excess incentives will be utilized as promotional items during outreach events and presentations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts funding from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) for the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program, and appropriates an additional \$3,192 to the 2004 Health Department budget for BCCCP.

9-23-04-85 – LABORATORY SERVICES – BIOTERRORISM PROGRAM BUDGET APPROPRIATION / HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Health Department has received notice that additional funding, in the amount of \$3,666, has been approved for FY 2004 to provide training for emerging infectious diseases to laboratory and non-laboratory medical professionals; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department plans to conduct at least 2 seminars/workshops for medical professionals using this funding; and

WHEREAS, the training/workshops are intended to provide training to health officers, safety officers, infection control practitioners, epidemiologists and laboratory staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts funding from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) for the Health Department's Laboratory Bioterrorism services, and appropriates an additional \$3,666 to the 2004 Health Department budget.

9-23-04-86 – EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM BUDGET APPROPRIATION / HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Health Department has received notice that additional funding, in the amount of \$7,000, has been approved for FY 2004 to build the information technology and communications infrastructure of the Health Department in order to enhance the public health emergency response system; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department has also received notice that additional funding, in the amount of \$2,000, has been approved for FY 2004 to participate in a statewide smallpox exercise. This event will be facilitated in collaboration with local and regional emergency preparedness/response partners. The primary goal of this exercise is to test the local smallpox response plan. All local health departments are required to participate in the exercise. The Michigan Department of Community Health has approved the additional funding to help defray expenses related to this exercise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts funding from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH), Office of Public Health Preparedness, for the Health Department's Emergency Preparedness Program, and appropriates an additional \$9,000 to the 2004 Health Department budget.

9-23-04-87 – WOMEN, INFANT, AND CHILDREN (WIC) BUDGET APPROPRIATION /

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the WIC program is a free nutrition program for pregnant or breastfeeding women and children up to age 5 and provides coupons for nutritious foods, education and immunizations. The Health Department has seen a significant increase in the demand for this program resulting in the increased caseload; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department has received notice that additional WIC funding, in the amount of \$113,844, is available from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) in support of the existing performance base caseload of 17,900; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department has also received notice that the MDCH has made available \$13,277 to support an additional 1,562 participants over the base caseload of 17,900; and

WHEREAS, due to the increased participation and the increase in funding per participant approved by MDCH, the total WIC allocation increases \$127,121, from \$1,839,355 to \$1,966,476.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts funding from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) for the Women, Infant, and Children (WIC) program, and appropriates an additional \$127,121 to the 2004 Health Department budget.

9-23-04-88 – CONNECTIONS FOR CHILDREN GRANT BUDGET APPROPRIATION /
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Health Department has been working with the Child and Family Resource Council to provide expanded early childhood development and learning programs as part of the Connections for Children grant. This funding will expand the Health Department's programming to educate parents about the importance of early childhood development; and

WHEREAS, the \$51,343 made available, through this continuation grant, will be used to pay for a .75 FTE Outreach Worker and a .1 FTE Program Supervisor II for the 15 month award period; and

WHEREAS, the Outreach Worker position will be eliminated when the grant funding is eliminated unless approved for continuation by the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the contract period is for 15 months covering the time period of April 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts funding from the Child and Family Resource Council for the Connections for Children Grant, and appropriates an additional \$51,343 to the 2004 Health Department budget.

9-23-04-89 – CITY OF KENTWOOD SEWER SYSTEM – ASSIGNMENT OF EASEMENTS /
PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the City of Kentwood's Department of Public Works (Kentwood DPW) now has the necessary capabilities to operate Kentwood's Sewer System, and desires to do so. To date, the system has been operated under contract between Kentwood and the County DPW; and

WHEREAS, the Kentwood City Commission and Kentwood DPW have approved a transfer agreement that transfers ownership of the system to Kentwood effective September

2004. As a result of the transfer, the City of Kentwood requires assignment of all easements associated with the sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the Assignment of Easements has been reviewed and approved by Civil Counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approve the assignment of 195 easements to the City of Kentwood necessary for transfer of the Kentwood Sewage Disposal System from the Department of Public Works to the City of Kentwood.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Chair and the Clerk, or Vice-Chair or Deputy Clerk, in their absence, are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Assignment of Easements.

9-23-04-90 – FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) GRANT FUNDING AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION / DRAIN COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Drain Commission has received notice that funding, in the amount of \$259,000, has been awarded for FY 2004 to update and digitally map critical floodplains and watercourse conditions in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Drain Commission will complete field surveys, collect hydrologic and hydraulic data, and map the floodplains. The drains being surveyed include the Huizenga, Knight, Indian Mill, Lamberton, Nash, DeBoer, York Creek, Cutlerville, and Goose Creek drains; and

WHEREAS, the floodplain map was last updated more than 30 years ago and, because of all the new development, it is important that new floodplain data be established. The new data will become part of the County's digital flood insurance rate map and flood insurance study, and should help property owners reduce the risk of flooding and increase the quality of flood protection, possibly leading to lower flood insurance premium rates; and

WHEREAS, the grant period is September 1, 2004 to November 30, 2005,476.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and to appropriate an additional \$259,000 to the 2004 Drain Commission in the Special Project Fund.

9-23-04-91 – FIA BUILDING MAINTENANCE PROJECTS / BUDGET APPROPRIATION

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FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, a team has been meeting, including representatives from the State and the County to review the facility plan for the Kent County Family Independence Agency (FIA) building at 415 Franklin S.E.; and

WHEREAS, the plan includes both long-range service delivery options, evaluating possible new locations throughout the County for FIA services and short-term health and safety improvements to the current facility at 415 Franklin S.E.; and

WHEREAS, the State has allocated \$361,000 to improve health and safety projects within the building, including the elevator, lobby improvements, tuck pointing of the exterior brick and cleaning of the HVAC duct system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts funding from the State of Michigan, and appropriates an additional \$361,000 to the 2004 Facilities Management budget.

Motion by Commissioner Vaughn, supported by Commissioner Agee, to approve the consent agenda items.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Voorhees, Vaughn, VanderMolen, Tanis, Rolls, Postmus, Morgan, Mayhue, Kuipers, Koorndyk, Horton, Hiddema, Bulkowski, Boelema, Agee, Chair Morren – 17.

Nays: 0.

RESOLUTIONS

9-23-04-92 – KENT COUNTY MUTUAL POLICE ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT / SHERIFF

WHEREAS, the Sheriff Department is charged with the responsibility to provide police and emergency services within the County of Kent; and

WHEREAS, the parties to this agreement are located in proximity to each other in the County of Kent and recognize the mutual advantage and benefit to having the Sheriff participate in a Mutual Aid Assistance Agreement in order to provide for special law enforcement needs in unusual or emergency situations, where the special police need is beyond the capabilities of a single police department; and

WHEREAS, the County Sheriff and his representatives have been meeting with other law enforcement representatives in Kent County to prepare a Mutual Police Assistance Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Mutual Police Assistance Agreement has been reviewed and approved by Civil Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that approval of the Mutual Police Assistance Agreement is in the best interest of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that

1. The Chair of the Board of Commissioners and the Clerk of Kent County are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Mutual Police Assistance Agreement on behalf of the County of Kent, and the agreement is hereby adopted in its entirety by the County of Kent; and
2. The Sheriff is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate and approve necessary procedures to implement the agreement, and
3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Motion by Commissioner Voorhees, supported by Commissioner Tanis, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried by voice vote.

9-23-04-93 – APPLICATION TO URBAN COOPERATION BOARD FOR GRANT FUNDING

TO APPRAISE PROPERTIES FOR PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS
/ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the PDR ordinance, adopted by the Board of Commissioners in November of 2002, established procedures for the administration of the PDR program. By ordinance, the Kent County Agricultural Preservation Board is responsible for much of the program administration, with certain items presented to the Board of Commissioners for approval; and

WHEREAS, the Kent County Agricultural Preservation Board is now working on to hold the second annual application cycle from September 1, 2004 – November 30, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Kent County Agricultural Preservation Board intends to apply to the Urban Cooperation Board for \$5,000 to cover 50% of the cost to conduct five PDR property appraisals; and

WHEREAS, Urban Cooperation Board support will leverage matching funds to meet the Steelcase and Frey Foundation challenge grants; and

WHEREAS, appraisals will be conducted by state certified appraisers. Appraisals are required by the federal Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program, a potential funding source for Purchase of Development Rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners approves the Agricultural Preservation Board's request to apply to the Urban Cooperation Board for grant funding support in the amount of \$5,000 for property appraisals of agricultural land for Purchase of Development Rights.

Motion by Commissioner Rolls, supported by Commissioner Postmus, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried by voice vote.

9-23-04-94 – REVISIONS TO HEALTH DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE /
HEALTH

DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Public Act 368 of 1978 (the Public Health Code), as amended, allows a local government to “. . . fix and require the payment of fees for services authorized or required to be performed by the local health department.” Said fees should not be more than the reasonable cost of providing the service; and

WHEREAS, as required by the County Fiscal Policy – Fees and Charges, departments are required to review their fees and charges annually and to forward recommended changes to the Board of Commissioners as part of the budget process.

WHEREAS, the Health Department is recommending changes to 43 existing fees and the establishment of 16 new fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby approves amendments to the Health Department's fee schedule effective October 1, 2004.

Motion by Commissioner Boelema, supported by Commissioner Vaughn, that the resolution be

adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: VanderMolen, Tanis, Rolls, Morgan, Kuipers, Koorndyk, Horton, Hiddema, Boelema, Agee, Chair Morren – 11.

Nays: Wahlfield, Voorhees, Vaughn, Postmus, Mayhue, Bulkowski – 6.

9-23-04-95 – ACCEPT A STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT AND BUDGET AMENDMENT / SHERIFF

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of State Police – Emergency Management Division provides federal pass-through funds for homeland security programs; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds are to be used for improved prevention, response, and mitigation of terrorist-related incidents involving chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive agents as well as cyber attacks; and

WHEREAS, the County's grant, if approved, will be allocated as follows: State Homeland Security Program (\$2,056,555), Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (\$626,887), and Citizen Corp Project Grants (\$33,333); and

WHEREAS, the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program funds must be used exclusively for the project expenses of this program; and

WHEREAS, the Citizen Corp Project Grants are a collection of four grants awarded to the Midwest Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of the grants, the County will be responsible for all financial reporting; and

WHEREAS, the grant period is August 1, 2004, to September 30, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners accepts a State Homeland Security Grant from the Michigan Department of State Police; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator/Controller to sign all grant documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby appropriates \$2,716,775 from the Michigan Department of State Police – Emergency Management Division to the Sheriff's Emergency Management Budget – Special Projects Fund, contingent upon award and execution of a contract.

Motion by Commissioner Tanis, supported by Commissioner VanderMolen, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Voorhees, Vaughn, VanderMolen, Tanis, Rolls, Postmus, Morgan, Mayhue, Kuipers, Koorndyk, Horton, Hiddema, Bulkowski, Boelema, Agee, Chair Morren – 17.

Nays: 0.

9-23-04-96 – 2005 PROPOSED BUDGET / BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, this resolution shall be known as the FY 2005 General Appropriation Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to MCLA 141.412 and 141.413, notice of a public hearing on the proposed budget was published in a newspaper of general circulation on August 30, 2004,

and a public hearing on the proposed budget was held on September 9, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Kent County Board authorized, by resolution no. 09-09-04-83, a general property tax levy on all real and personal property within the County upon the current tax roll an allocated millage of 4.2803 mills for County general operations; and voter authorized millages of 0.7893 mills for correctional facility operations and debt service, and 0.2444 mills for senior services; and

WHEREAS, the County Administrator's Office, Fiscal Services, and the Kent County Finance and Physical Resources Committee has reviewed the Recommended 2005 Budget in detail; and

WHEREAS, estimated total revenues and appropriations for the various funds are recommended as follows:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>
General Fund	\$141,835,439	\$147,913,566
Special Revenue Funds	98,803,726	102,766,840
Capital Project Funds	6,058,952	6,558,952
Internal Service Fund	21,280,163	21,292,617
Debt Service Fund	8,111,705	8,086,788
Component Unit Funds	58,146,029	58,046,028
Proprietary Funds	35,533,454	36,731,454

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the FY 2005 Appropriation Act as the official budget for FY 2005; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that County officials responsible for the appropriations authorized in the act may expend County funds up to, but not to exceed, the total appropriation authorized for each department or activity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent County Board adopts the FY 2005 budgets for the various governmental funds by department or activity as follows:

**2005 General Appropriations Act
County of Kent, Michigan**

GENERAL FUND	2005
Revenues	
Taxes	\$72,118,005
Licenses & Permits	92,650
Intergovernmental	19,730,184
Charges for Services	18,007,768
Fines & Forfeitures	433,500
Investment Earnings	2,550,000
Reimbursements	8,481,001
Other	3,372,331
Transfers In	17,050,000
Total Revenues	141,835,439
Fund Balance Usage (Deposit)	6,078,127
Total Revenues & Other Sources	\$147,913,566
Expenditures	
Circuit Court	\$15,928,781
Clerk's Office	1,842,446
District Court	2,622,461
Drain Commission	560,794
Facilities Management	13,370,575
Fiscal Services	3,397,682
Information Technology	5,896,722
Policy/Administration	4,072,386
Sheriff's Department	52,662,073
Treasurer's Office	1,260,184
Probate Court – Mental & Estate Division	1,035,284
Intergovernmental	3,452,386
Bureau of Equalization	1,499,232
Human Resources	2,130,396
Prosecutor's – Criminal/Juvenile	5,254,518
Cooperative Extension Service	607,308
Medical Examiner	1,197,200
Soldiers & Sailors Relief	188,017
John Ball Zoological Gardens	3,682,162
Transfers Out	31,826,059
Appropriation Lapse	(4,573,100)
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	\$147,913,566

**2005 General Appropriations Act
County of Kent, Michigan**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2005
Revenues	
Taxes	\$22,368,592
Licenses & Permits	1,384,566
Intergovernmental	33,224,789
Charges for Services	5,097,175
Fines & Forfeitures	783,621
Investment Earnings	414,750
Reimbursements	4,081,532
Other	416,697
Transfers In	31,032,004
Total Revenues	98,803,726
Fund Balance Usage (Deposit)	3,963,114
Total Revenues & Other Sources	\$102,766,840
Expenditures	
Fire Commission	\$366,282
Parks	5,223,888
Friend of the Court	8,607,830
Health Department	24,434,090
Lodging Excise Tax	6,015,910
Correction & Detention Millage	16,088,455
Senior Millage	4,945,049
Register of Deeds-Automation Fund	695,761
Community Development	2,000,000
Child Care	28,052,929
Veteran's Trust	49,394
Special Project – Circuit Court-Com Corrections Admin	2,483,397
Special Project – Circuit Court-Com Corrections Grant	335,461
Special Project – Circuit Court-Criminal Diversion	68,721
Special Project – Circuit Court-Family Counseling	73,000
Special Project – Circuit Court-JAIBG	188,746
Special Project – Drain Commission-Special Assessment	63,702
Special Project – Prosecutor's-Cooperative Reimbursement	1,555,272
Special Project – Remonumentation Program	207,610
Special Project – Sheriff-Anti Drug	173,049
Special Project – Sheriff-Drug Enforcement	70,616
Special Project – Sheriff-Gifts	90,000

Special Project – Sheriff-Kent Narcotics	143,572
Special Project – Sheriff-Local Correction Officers Training	140,000
Special Project – Sheriff-Michigan Dispatch Training	44,000
Special Project – Sheriff-Michigan Justice Training	45,000
Special Project – Sheriff-Secondary Road Patrol	605,106
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	\$102,766,840

**2005 General Appropriations Act
County of Kent, Michigan**

CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS		2005
Revenues		
Taxes		\$3,458,952
Intergovernmental		2,600,000
Total Revenues		6,058,952
Fund Balance Usage (Deposit)		500,000
Total Revenues & Other Sources		\$6,558,952
Expenditures		
Capital Improvement Program		\$6,558,952
Total Expenditures & Other Uses		\$6,558,952
INTERNAL SERVICE FUND		2005
Revenues		
Charges for Services		\$1,978,172
Investment Earnings		79,190
Reimbursements		19,197,801
Other		25,000
Total Revenues		21,280,163
Fund Balance Usage (Deposit)		12,454
Total Revenues & Other Sources		\$21,292,617
Expenditures		
Risk Management		\$21,292,617
Total Expenditures & Other Uses		\$21,292,617
DEBT SERVICE FUND		2005
Revenues		
Investment Earnings		\$1,900
Other		5,497,295
Transfers In		2,612,510
Total Revenues		8,111,705
Fund Balance Usage (Deposit)		(24,917)
Total Revenues & Other Sources		\$8,086,788
Expenditures		
Courthouse		\$4,571,025

Sheriff's Administration Building	794,003
Correction and Detention Facilities	2,588,455
Area Agency on Aging	133,305
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	\$8,086,788

**2005 General Appropriations Act
County of Kent, Michigan**

COMPONENT UNIT FUNDS	2005
Revenues	
Intergovernmental	\$6,138,592
Charges for Services	48,866,076
Investment Earnings	760,000
Reimbursements	510,570
Other	1,100,791
Transfers In	770,000
Total Revenues	58,146,029
Fund Balance Usage (Deposit)	(100,001)
Total Revenues & Other Sources	\$58,046,028
Expenditures	
Housing Commission	\$1,317,900
Social Welfare	4,165,570
DPW Act 185 Bond Fund	1,836,192
DPW Administration & Finance	777,800
DPW Water & Sewer Division	3,795,900
DPW Solid Waste/Landfill Operations	7,658,590
DPW Waste-to-Energy Operations	35,129,076
Drains – Special Assessment Distribution	450,000
Drains – Chapter 20	2,500,000
Drains – Chapter 21	35,000
Drains – Lake Level Special Assessment	380,000
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	\$58,046,028
PROPRIETARY FUNDS	2005
Revenues	
Taxes	\$2,370,000
Intergovernmental	4,125,000
Charges for Services	16,309,268
Fines & Forfeitures	16,000
Investment Earnings	1,050,000
Reimbursements	189,158
Other	11,474,028
Total Revenues	35,533,454
Fund Balance Usage (Deposit)	1,198,000
Total Revenues & Other Sources	\$36,731,454

Expenditures	
Aeronautics	\$32,061,454
Delinquent Tax Fund	4,670,000
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	\$36,731,454

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that appropriations made for the available balances and outstanding encumbrances at fiscal year end for grants are continued in full force and effect and shall carry over to successive fiscal years until the grants are completed or otherwise terminated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that appropriations made for the available balances and outstanding encumbrances at fiscal year end for capital projects are continued in full force and effect and shall carry over to successive fiscal years until the projects are completed or otherwise terminated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that appropriations made for the outstanding purchase orders and contractual encumbrances at fiscal year end in the operating funds are continued in full force and effect and shall carry over to successive fiscal years until the projects are completed or otherwise terminated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator/Controller shall provide the Kent County Finance and Physical Resources Committee, at the end of each fiscal quarter, a report of year to date revenues and expenditures compared to the budgeted amounts in the various funds of the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that whenever it appears to the Kent County Administrator/Controller or the Kent County Board that the actual and probable revenues in any fund will be less than the estimated revenues upon which appropriations from such fund were based, or when it appears that expenditures will exceed an appropriation, the County Administrator/Controller shall present to the County Board recommendations to prevent expenditures from exceeding available revenues and reserves or appropriations for the budget year. Such recommendations may include proposals for reducing appropriations, increasing revenues or a combination thereof.

Motion by Commissioner Morgan, supported by Commissioner Agee, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion carried:

Yeas: Wahlfield, Vaughn, VanderMolen, Tanis, Rolls, Postmus, Morgan, Mayhue, Kuipers, Koorndyk, Horton, Hiddema, Bulkowski, Boelema, Agee, Chair Morren – 16.

Nays: Voorhees - 1.

REPORTS

Education Renewal Zone Subcommittee Report and Recommendations

Motion by Commissioner Koorndyk, supported by Commissioner Hiddema, that the Education Renewal Zone Subcommittee Report and Recommendations (copy of which is on file in the Office of the County Clerk) be received and accepted.

Motion to receive and accept passed by voice vote.

Education Reform Initiative

Commissioners Voorhees & Boelema commented on yesterday's Education Reform Initiative ("ERI") meeting, complimenting Assistant Administrators Mary Swanson and Wayman Britt's presentations. Although education is not a County function, the County possesses information on demographics of social needs in the County. Kent County is progressive and upfront in dealing with the needs that compliment the ERI. In conjunction, Boelema was pleased to recently receive Kent County's Early Childhood System - A Community Plan Report, which

holds that long before kindergarten, children will have learned more than during any other five year period.

MISCELLANEOUS

Septic Regulations

Commissioner Horton mentioned the recent *The Grand Rapids Press* editorial on the septic situation and stated that the County needs to focus on better septic regulations. We are the stewards of our environment.

Board Appointments

Commissioner Koorndyk announced that resumes for county boards and committees are due September 30th. Forms are available through the Board of Commission office and/or the County's website.

Revenue Sharing Vote

Chair Morren commented that yesterday's state legislative vote on revenue sharing was a very poor policy decision. He believes that the state is not addressing its issues.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:35 a.m., Commissioner Vaughn moved to adjourn, subject to the call of the Chair, and to Thursday, October 14, 2004, Room 310, County Administration Building, at 8:30 a.m., for an Official Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner VanderMolen. Motion carried.

David J. Morren, Chair

Mary Hollinrake, County Clerk