

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, January 5, 2004

Laura Sexton, County Clerk called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Present:	Robert McLeod	District #01
	Eugene Dawson	District #02
	Larry Bargy	District #03
	Jack White	District #04
	David Howelman	District #05
	Michael Crawford	District #06
	Laura Stanek	District #07
	Bernard Blackmore	District #08
	Joseph Allen	District #09
Absent: None.		

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Clerk requested Public Comment. There was none.

The Clerk appointed Peter Garwood as teller.

The Clerk requested nominations for Chairman. David Howelman nominated Jack White.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Jack White for Chairman. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Jack White was declared Chairman.

The Chairman requested nominations for Vice-Chairman. Michael Crawford nominated Robert McLeod. Larry Bargy nominated Laura Stanek.

The resulting vote on the office of Vice-Chairman is as follows:

McLeod	McLeod
Dawson	Stanek
Bargy	Stanek
White	McLeod
Howelman	Stanek
Crawford	McLeod
Stanek	Stanek
Blackmore	Stanek
Allen	Stanek

Laura Stanek was declared Vice-Chairman

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners be held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #01-04 by David Howelman, seconded by Joseph Allen

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the institutions and their subsidiaries as depositories of Antrim County funds for the year 2004:

Alden State Bank
Citizens Bank
Huntington Bank
National City Bank
Fifth Third Bank
Bank One of Michigan
Cadre Securities of Michigan
MBIA – Municipal Investors of Michigan CLASS
Merrill Lynch
Standard Federal Bank
Flagstar Bank
Comerica
 Fifth Third Securities
 Citigroup
 Oppenheimer & Co Inc
 UBX Financial Service Inc.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Treasurer be authorized to use these designated institutions.

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen:
No - None;
Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #01-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #02-04 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Joseph Allen

WHEREAS, Antrim County desires to comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1992 in all entities:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, Antrim County shall comply with the Civil Rights Act of

1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1992 in the employment and retention of personnel, and all other phases pursuant to these Acts, and affirms its policy prohibiting discriminatory practices, policies, and customs that violate the rights of any citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age weight, height, marital status, or physical disability and/or ability and hereby adopts a broadened policy encouraging participation of minorities, the handicapped, and the disabled.

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #02-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #03-04 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by David Howelman

WHEREAS, Public Act #344 of 1982 changes and extends the procedures under which the Board of Commissioners must make the report of its meetings available to the public, and,

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners wishes to continue the procedure under which it is currently making the report of its meetings available to the public;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, pursuant to P.A. 355 of 1982, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners will direct the County Clerk to make a report of each session of the Board available as soon as possible after each session in the Office of the County Clerk for public inspection and copying without charge, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, pursuant to P.A. 344 of 1982, sec. 9c, copies of the report of each session will be mailed upon request without charge, and

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that, it be advertised in the County newspapers that the report of each open session is available from the Office of the County Clerk without charge;

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that, the County Board minutes be posted on the Antrim County web site when available.

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen.

No - None;

Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #03-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #04-04 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Robert McLeod

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 20 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1943, as amended, ("Act 20") the Board of Commissioners of the County of Antrim may authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds in certain investments: and

WHEREAS, this board wishes to authorize such investments as are permitted by Act 20; and

WHEREAS, section 5 of Act 20 requires this Board of Commissioners in conjunction with the County Treasurer to adopt an investment policy which complies with the provisions of Act 20; and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer has submitted a proposed Investment Policy which complies with provisions of Act 20;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ANTRIM as follows:

1. The County Treasurer is authorized to invest funds of the County of Antrim in investments authorized by Act 20.
2. The Investment Policy attached hereto as Appendix 1 is approved and shall take effect on January 1, 2004. (See pages).
3. Before executing an order to purchase or trade the funds of the County of Antrim a financial intermediary, broker, or dealer shall be provided with a copy of the County's Investment Policy and shall acknowledge receipt of the Investment Policy and agree to comply with the terms of the Investment Policy regarding the buying or selling of securities by executing the form attached as Appendix 2.
4. The County Treasurer is authorized to rely on the continuing effect of this resolution until and unless it is specifically amended or rescinded by a future resolution of the Board of Commissioners.
5. This resolution shall be effective retroactive to January 1, 2004.

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #04-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #05-04 by Laura Stanek, seconded by David Howelman

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners provides all of the following for taxes paid before May 1 in the first year of delinquency for the homestead property of a senior citizen, paraplegic, hemiplegics, quadriplegic, eligible serviceman, eligible veteran, eligible widow, totally and permanently disabled, or blind person, as those persons are defined in Chapter 9 of the Income Tax Act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.501 to 206.532, if that claimant presents a copy of the form filed for that credit to the County Treasurer, and if that claimant has not received the credit before March :

- (a) Any interest, fee, or penalty in excess of the interest, fee or penalty that would have been added if the tax had been paid before February 15, is waived,
- (b) Interest paid under subsection 91 of section 89(1)(a) is waived unless the interest is pledged to the repayment of delinquent tax revolving fund notes or payable to the county delinquent tax revolving fund, in which case the interest shall be refunded from the general fund of the county.
- (c) The county property tax administration fee is waived.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approves the following:

- (a) The treasurer of the local tax collection unit shall indicate on the delinquent tax roll if a 1% property tax administration fee was added to taxes collected before February 15.
- (b) The fees authorized and collected under this section and credited to the delinquent property tax administration fund shall be used by the Department of Treasury to pay expenses incurred in the administration of this act.
- (c) The county property tax administration fee shall be used by the county to offset the costs incurred in and ancillary to collecting delinquent property taxes and for purposes authorized by section 87b and 87d.

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #05-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #06-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by David Howelman

WHEREAS, Michigan P.A. 156 of 1851, as amended, confers on Board of Commissioners the following power "...require a county officer whose salary or compensation is paid by the County to make a report under oath to the County Board of Commissioners on a subject connected with the duties of that office...";

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, the following county officers be required to make a 2003 Annual Report in the form stipulated by the Board of Commissioners by the second Thursday, in

May, 2003: Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Probate Judge, Abstractor, Coordinator/Planning Director, Building Official, Animal Control Officer, ACT Director, Drain Commissioner, Airport Manager, Commission on Aging Director, Emergency Services Coordinator, and Veterans' Counselor, and also the following Departments: Antrim-Kalkaska Community Mental Health, Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility, and Family Independence Agency.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that, each report last not more than fifteen (15) minutes.

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #06-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson that the Antrim County Commissioners' Procedures as approved on April 13, 2000 and amended on February 8, 2001, February 14, 2002, and November 14, 2002 continue to be used in the year 2004. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #07-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, the Grand Traverse Ways and Means Committee met in regular session on December 16, 2003, and reviewed a request for Community Corrections to apply for grant funding from the Michigan Department of Corrections; and,

WHEREAS, this grant funding is being made available with the goal of reducing drunk driving and providing treatment alternatives to jail for OUIL 3rd offenders; and,

WHEREAS, the grant application, in the amount of \$46,575 for the 13th Circuit Court will be used for treatment of OUIL 3rd offenders and no matching funds are required; and,

WHEREAS, the Grand Traverse Ways and Means Committee recommends approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Antrim County Board of Commissioners that Grand Traverse County approve application to the Michigan Department of Corrections, in the amount of \$46,575, for treatment of OUIL 3rd offenders.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #07-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

To establish a new “authority” line the Chairman appointed the following individuals to follow in authority behind the Chairman and Vice-Chairman:

3 rd	Robert McLeod
4 th	Michael Crawford
5 th	Eugene Dawson

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the above appointments be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel reported that the camera he obtained for filming meetings was not in use yet. He also inquired about the "various matters" items on the agenda.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that minutes of December 11, 2003 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that minutes of January 5, 2004 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Standing Committees

ADMINISTRATION

Robert McLeod

Michael Crawford

Laura Stanek

LANDS, AGRICULTURE, & FORESTRY

Bernard Blackmore

Eugene Dawson

Joseph Allen

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Michael Crawford

Larry Bargy

Eugene Dawson

PARKS

Michael Crawford

Robert McLeod

Joseph Allen

FINANCE

Laura Stanek

Larry Bargy

Robert McLeod

PUBLIC WORKS

Joseph Allen

Larry Bargy

Eugene Dawson

HEALTH & PUBLIC SAFETY

Larry Bargy

David Howelman

Bernard Blackmore

TRANSPORTATION

Eugene Dawson

David Howelman

Robert McLeod

HUMAN SERVICES

David Howelman

Laura Stanek

Bernard Blackmore

Other Appointments

CIRCUIT COURT LIAISON

Jack White
Laura Stanek
Laura Sexton
Peter Garwood
Robert McLeod

DISTRICT COURT LIAISON

Jack White
Laura Stanek
Laura Sexton
Peter Garwood

Area Agency on Aging Representative
Commission on Aging

David Howelman
David Howelman
Laura Stanek
Sylvia Hebden
Dr. Mary Kokosky
Edward Bradford

Planning Commission

Laura Stanek
Joseph Allen
Bernard Blackmore
Joseph Allen
Robert Straw
Eugene Dawson

Housing Committee

Transportation Liaison
Conservation Resource Alliance Representative
Northern Michigan Counties Association

Jack White
Robert McLeod

Community Corrections Advisory Board
Representative
Alternate

Robert McLeod
Larry Bargy

Council of Governments
Representative
Alternate

Jack White
Laura Stanek

Northern MI Substance Abuse Representative

Donald Schuiteman

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore the above named appointments be approved: Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Peter Garwood requested committee meeting dates and times from the Chairs.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Chairman be authorized to sign the contract between Antrim County and Teamsters Local 214 (Command Unit of the Sheriff Department), expiration to be December 31, 2006. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Peter Garwood reported that an individual had requested a Construction Code Board of Appeals meeting and paid the fee of \$275.00 and the meeting had not been held.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the fee of \$275.00 for a Construction Code Board of Appeals meeting be refunded to the payer. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore that the membership on the Planning Commission be reduced from 11 to 9 members effective immediately. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

There was discussion on changes to the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Contract. The matter was tabled and referred back to committee.

RESOLUTION #08-04 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Antrim (the “County”) has hereto fore adopted a resolution establishing the Antrim County Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund (the “Fund”) pursuant to Section 87b of Act No. 206, Public Acts of Michigan, 2893, as amended (“Act 206”); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Fund is to allow the Antrim County Treasurer (the “County Treasurer”) to pay from the Fund any or all delinquent real property taxes that are due and payable to the County and any school district, intermediate school district, community college district, city, township, special assessment district, the State of Michigan or any other political unit for which delinquent tax payments are due; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby determined to be necessary for the County to borrow money and issue its notes for the purposes authorized by Act 206, particularly Sections 87c, 87d, and 87g thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the total amount of unpaid 2003 delinquent real property taxes (the “delinquent taxes”) outstanding on March 1, 2004, will be approximately \$4,000,000, exclusive of interest, fees, and penalties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioner of the County of Antrim, State of Michigan, as follows:

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Authorization of Borrowing

1. Pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Act 206, Public Acts of Michigan, 1893, as amended, and especially Sections 87c, 87d and 87g thereof, the County shall borrow the sum of not to exceed Four million dollars (\$4,000,00) and issue its notes (the "notes") therefore for the purpose of continuing the Fund for the 2003 tax year. The exact amount to be borrowed shall not exceed the amount of delinquent taxes outstanding on March 1, 2004, exclusive of interest, fees, and penalties. The County Treasurer shall designate the exact amount to be borrowed after the amount of the 2003 delinquent taxes outstanding on March 1, 2004, or the portion of the 2003 delinquent taxes against which the County shall borrow, has been determined.

Note Details

2. Pursuant to provisions of applicable law and an order of the County Treasurer, which order is hereby authorized, the notes may be issued in one or more series; shall be know as "General Obligation Limited Tax Notes, Series 2004"; shall be in fully registered form in denominations not exceeding the aggregate principal amounts for each maturity of the notes; shall be sold for not less than 98% of the face amount of the notes; shall bear interest at fixed or variable rates not to exceed the maximum interest rate permitted by applicable law; shall be dated, payable as to interest and in principal amounts, be subject to redemption in whole or in part prior to maturity, including any redemption premiums, and be subject to renewal, at such times and in such amounts, all as shall be designated in the order of the County Treasurer. Notes or portions of notes called for redemption shall not bear interest after the redemption date, provided funds are on hand with the note registrar and paying agent to redeem the same. Notice of redemption shall be given in the manner prescribed by the County Treasurer. If any notes of any series are to bear interest at a variable rate or rates, the County Treasurer is hereby further authorized to establish by order, and in accordance with law, a means by which interest on such notes may be set, reset or calculated prior to maturity, provided that such rate or rates shall at no time be in excess of the maximum interest rate permitted by applicable law. Such rates may be established by reference to the minimum rate that would be necessary to sell the notes at par; by a formula that is determined with respect to an index or indices of municipal obligations, reported prices or yields on obligations of the United States or the prime rate or rates of a bank or banks selected by the County Treasurer; or by any other method selected by the County Treasurer.

Payment of Principal and Interest

3. The principal of and interest on the notes shall be payable in lawful money of the United States from such funds and accounts as provided herein. Principal shall be payable upon presentation and surrender of the notes to the note registrar and paying agent when and as the same shall become due, whether at maturity or earlier redemption. Interest shall be paid to the owner shown as the registered owner on the registration books at the close of business on such date prior to the date such interest payment is due,

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as is provided in the order of the County Treasurer. Interest on the notes shall be paid when due by check or draft drawn upon and mailed by the note registrar and paying agent to the registered owner at the registered address.

Note Registrar and Paying Agent

4. The County Treasurer shall designate, and may enter into an agreement with, a note registrar and paying agent for each series of notes that shall be the County Treasurer or a bank or trust company that is qualified to act in such capacity under the laws of the United States of America or the State of Michigan. The County Treasurer may from time to time designate a similarly qualified successor note registrar and paying agent.

Disposition of Note Proceeds

5. The proceeds of the sale of the notes shall be deposited into a separate account in the Fund (the "2004 Account") and shall be used to continue the Fund. The County Treasurer shall pay therefrom and from unpledged funds in the Fund, uncommitted funds in the County General Fund and/or any other legally available funds, if the notes are sold at a discount, the full amount of the delinquent tax roll against which the County has borrowed, delivered as uncollected by any tax collector in the County and that is outstanding and unpaid on or after March 1, 2004, in accordance with the provisions of Act 206.

2004 Collection Account

6. There is hereby established as part of the Fund an account (hereby designated the "2004 Collection Account") into which account the County Treasurer shall place delinquent taxes against which the County has borrowed, and interest thereon, collected on and after March 1, 2004, all County property tax administration fees on such delinquent taxes, after expenses of issuance of the notes have been paid, and any amounts received by the County Treasurer from the County and any taxing unit within the County, because of the uncollectibility of such delinquent taxes. The foregoing are hereby established as funds pledged to note repayment.

Note Reserve Fund

7. There is hereby authorized to be established by the County Treasurer a note reserve fund for the notes (the "2004 Note Reserve Fund") if the County Treasurer deems it to be reasonably required as a reserve and advisable in selling the notes at public or private sale. The County Treasurer is authorized to deposit in the 2004 Note Reserve

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Funds from proceeds of the sale of the notes, unpledged moneys in the Fund, uncommitted funds in the County General Fund and/or any other legally available funds, an amount not exceeding ten percent (10%) of the face amount of the notes.

Security for Payment of Notes

6. All of the moneys in the 2004 Collection Account and the 2004 Note Reserve Fund, if established, and all interest earned thereon, are hereby pledged equally and ratably as to each series to the payment of the principal of and interest on the notes and shall be used solely for that purpose until such principal and interest have been paid in full. When moneys in the 2004 Note Reserve Fund, if established, are sufficient to pay the outstanding principal of the notes and the interest accrued thereon, such moneys may be used to retire the notes.

Additional Security

7. Each series of notes, in addition, shall be a general obligation of the County, secured by its full faith and credit, which shall include the County's limited tax obligation, within applicable constitutional and statutory limits, and its general funds. The County budget shall provide that if the pledged delinquent taxes and any other pledged amounts are not collected in sufficient amounts to meet the payments of principal and interest due on each series of notes, the County, before paying any other budgeted amounts, will promptly advance from its general funds sufficient moneys to pay that principal and interest. The County shall not have the power to impose taxes for payment of the notes in excess of constitutional or statutory limitations. If moneys in the 2004 Collection Account and 2004 Note Reserve Fund, if established, are not sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the notes, when due, the County shall pay the same in accordance with this section, and may thereafter reimburse itself from the delinquent taxes collected.

Release of Pledge of 2004 Collection Account

8. Upon the investment of moneys in the 2004 Collection Account in direct non-callable obligations of the United States of America in amounts and with maturities that are sufficient to pay in full the principal of and interest on the notes when due, any moneys in the 2004 Collection Account thereafter remaining may be released from such pledge created pursuant to Section 8 hereof and may be used to pay any or all delinquent real property taxes that are due the County and any school district, intermediate school district, community college district, city, township, special assessment district, the State of Michigan or any other political unit to which delinquent tax payments are due for any other year or for any other purpose permitted by law.

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Sale of Notes

9. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to offer the notes at public or private sale as determined by order of the County Treasurer and to do all things necessary to effectuate the sale, delivery, transfer and exchange of the notes in accordance with the provisions of this resolution. Notes of one series may be offered for sale and sold separately from notes of another series. If the notes are to be sold publicly, sealed proposals for the purchase of the notes shall be received by the County Treasurer for such public sale to be held at such time as shall be determined by the County Treasurer and notice thereof shall be published in accordance with law, once in the Bond Buyer or the Detroit Legal News, both of which are hereby designated as being a publication printed in the English language and circulated in this State that carries as a part of its regular service, notices of sale of municipal bonds. Such notice shall be in the form prescribed by the County Treasurer.

The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to cause the preparation of an official statement for the notes for the purpose of enabling compliance with SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") and to do all other things necessary to enable compliance with the Rule. After the award of the notes, the County will provide copies of a final official statement (as defined in paragraph (e)(3) of the Rule) on a timely basis and in reasonable quantity as requested by the successful bidder or bidders to enable such successful bidder or bidders to comply with paragraph (b)(4) of the Rule and the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

Continuing Disclosure

10. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the County (i) a certificate of the County to comply with the requirements for a continuing disclosure undertaking of the County pursuant to subsection (b)(5) or (d)(2) of the Rule, as applicable, and (ii) amendments to such certificate from time to time in accordance with the terms of such certificate (the certificate and any amendments thereto are collectively referred to herein as the "Continuing Disclosure Certificate"). The County hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate. The remedies for any failure of the County to comply with and carry out the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall be as set forth therein.

Execution and Delivery of Notes

11. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to execute the notes for the County by manual or facsimile signature and the County Treasurer shall cause the County seal or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or imprinted on the notes. Unless the County Treasurer shall specify otherwise in writing, fully registered notes shall be authenticated by the manual signature of the note registrar and paying agent.

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After the notes have been executed and authenticated, if applicable, for delivery to the original purchaser thereof, the County Treasurer shall deliver the notes to the purchaser or purchasers thereof upon receipt of the purchase price. Additional notes bearing the manual or facsimile signature of the County Treasurer and upon which the seal of the County or a facsimile thereof is impressed or imprinted may be delivered to the note registrar and paying agent for authentication, if applicable, and delivery in connection with the exchange or transfer of fully registered notes. The note registrar and paying agent shall indicate on each note that it authenticates the date of its authentication. The notes shall be delivered with the approving legal opinion of Dickinson Wright PLLC, attorneys of Detroit, Michigan.

Exchange and Transfer of Fully Registered Notes

12. Any fully registered note, upon surrender thereof to the note registrar and paying agent with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the note registrar and paying agent duly executed by the registered owner or his or her duly authorized attorney, at the option of the registered owner thereof, may be exchanged for notes of any other authorized denominations of the same aggregate principal amount and maturity date and bearing the same rate of interest as the surrendered note.

Each note shall be transferable only upon the books of the County, which shall be kept for that purpose by the note registrar and paying agent, upon surrender of such note together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the note registrar and paying agent duly executed by the registered owner or his or her duly authorized attorney.

Upon the exchange or transfer of any note, the note registrar and paying agent on behalf of the County shall cancel the surrendered note and shall authenticate, if applicable, and deliver to the transferee a new note or notes of any authorized denomination of the same aggregate principal amount and maturity date and bearing the same rate of interest as the surrendered note. If, at the time the note registrar and paying agent authenticates, if applicable, and delivers a new note pursuant to this section, payment of interest on the notes is in default, the note registrar and paying agent shall endorse upon the new note the following: "Payment of interest on this note is in default. The last date to which interest has been paid is ____."

The County and the note registrar and paying agent may deem and treat the person in whose name any note shall be registered upon the books of the County as the absolute owner of such note, whether such note shall be overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment of the principal of and interest on such note and for all other purposes, and all payments made to any such registered owner, or upon his or her order, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 hereof shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such note to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, and neither the County nor the note registrar and paying agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. The County agrees to indemnify and save the note registrar and

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paying agent harmless from and against any and all loss, cost, charge, expense, judgment or liability incurred by it, acting in good faith and without negligence hereunder, in so treating such registered owner.

For every exchange or transfer of notes, the County or the note registrar and paying agent may make a charge sufficient to reimburse it for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or transfer, which sum or sums shall be paid by the person requesting such exchange or transfer as a condition precedent to the exercise of the privilege of making such exchange or transfer.

The note registrar and paying agent shall not be required to transfer or exchange notes or portions of notes that have been selected for redemption.

Book Entry System

13. At the option of the County Treasurer and notwithstanding any provisions of this resolution to the contrary, the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with a custodian or trustee for the purpose of establishing a “book entry” system for registration of notes to be fully registered. Pursuant to provisions of such agreement, the notes may be registered in the name of the custodian or trustee for the benefit of other persons or entities. Such agreement shall provide for the keeping of accurate records and prompt transfer of funds by the custodian or trustee on behalf of such persons or entities. The Agreement may provide for the issuance by the custodian or trustee of certificates evidencing beneficial ownership of the notes by such persons or entities. For the purpose of payment of the principal of and interest on the notes, the County may deem payment of such principal and interest, whether overdue or not, to the custodian or trustee as payment to the absolute owner of such note. Pursuant to provisions of such agreement, the book entry system for the notes may be used for registration of all or a portion of the notes and such system may be discontinued at any time by the County. The note registrar and paying agent for the notes may act as custodian or trustee for such purposes.

Issuance Expenses

14. Expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the notes, including without limitation any premiums for any insurance obtained for the notes, note rating agency fees, travel and printing expenses, fees for agreements for lines of credit, letters of credit, commitments to purchase the notes, remarketing agreements, reimbursement agreements, purchase or sales agreements or commitments, or agreements to provide security to assure timely payment of the notes, fees for the setting of interest rates on the notes and bond counsel, financial advisor, paying agent and registrar fees, all of which are hereby authorized shall be paid by the County Treasurer from County property tax administration fees on the delinquent taxes, from any other moneys in the Fund not pledged to the repayment of notes and general funds of the County that are hereby authorized to be expended for that purpose.

Resolution #8-04 – continued

Replacement of Notes

15. Upon receipt by the County Treasurer of satisfactory evidence that any outstanding note has been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen, and of security or indemnity complying with applicable law and satisfactory to the County Treasurer, the County Treasurer may execute or authorized the imprinting of the County Treasurer's facsimile signature thereon and thereupon, and if applicable, a note registrar or paying agent shall authenticate and the County shall deliver a new note of like tenor as the note mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen. Such new note shall be issued and delivered in exchange and substitution for, and upon surrender and cancellation of, the mutilated note or in lieu of and in substitution for the note so destroyed, lost or stolen in compliance with applicable law. For the replacement of authenticated notes, the note registrar and paying agent shall, for each new note authenticated and delivered as provided above, require the payment of expenses, including counsel fees, which may be incurred by the note registrar and paying agent and the County in the premises. Any note issued under the provisions of this section in lieu of any note alleged to be destroyed, lost or stolen shall be on an equal basis with the note in substitution for which such note was issued.

Issuance of Refunding Notes

16. The County shall refund all or part of the notes authorized hereunder and/or notes previously issued by the County to continue the Fund for prior tax years if and as authorized by order of the County Treasurer through the issuance of refunding notes (the "Refunding Notes") in an amount to be determined by order of the County Treasurer. Proceeds of the Refunding Notes may be used to redeem such notes and to pay issuance expenses of the Refunding Notes as authorized and described in Section 16 hereof. The County Treasurer shall have all the authority with respect to the Refunding Notes as is granted to the County Treasurer with respect to the notes by the other Sections hereof, including the authority to select a note registrar and paying agent, to apply to the Michigan Department of Treasurer for approval to issue the Refunding Notes, if necessary to cause the preparation of an official statement and to do all other things necessary to sell, execute and deliver the Refunding Notes. The Refunding Notes shall contain the provisions, shall be payable as to principal and interest and shall be secured as set forth herein and as further ordered by the County Treasurer. The Refunding Notes may be sold as a separate issue or may be combined in a single issue with other obligations of the County issued pursuant to the provisions of Act 206 as shall be determined by the County Treasurer. The County Treasurer is authorized to prescribe the form of Refunding Note and the form of notice of sale, if any, for the sale of Refunding Notes.

Form of Notes

17. The notes shall be in the form approved by the County Treasurer, which approval shall be evidenced by the County Treasurer's execution thereof.

Resolution #8-04 – continued

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #08-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the claims and accounts totaling \$42,869.73 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the claims submitted by the Planning Department after the Finance Committee meeting totaling \$1,102.74 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the minutes of January 8, 2004 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. There was none.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that \$800 be transferred to the Parks and Recreation for the Parks Forum: \$500 from the Forestry Fund and \$300 from Special Projects and the budgets of these various funds and cost centers be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the Household Hazardous Waste portion of the Resource Recovery Cost Center in the General Fund budget be increased by \$5,000 to a total of \$15,000. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$23,629 be transferred from Contingencies to Sheriff in the 2004 General Fund budget to pay for back pay for the Corrections unit of the Union. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that \$1,200 be paid from Fund #262 (911 Wireless Fund) for purchase of a new lien computer and the expenditure budget of Fund #262 be increased by that amount. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that, due to there being a larger beginning fund balance for 2004 than anticipated at budget time, the following budget adjustments be approved:

1. add a vehicle for the Sheriff Department	22,000
2. increase the Soil Erosion administration appropriation	10,000
3. increase the appropriation to NLEA	5,000
4. increase the appropriation to the Road Patrol Fund	25,000
5. increase the amount for Abstract Dept. part time employee	7,500
6. eliminate General Fund revenue from Dams Reserve Fund	200,000
7. eliminate General Fund revenue from Antrim Creek Fund	<u>40,000</u>
TOTAL	309,500

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$6,000 be transferred from the General Fund to Fund #217 (Prosecuting Attorney Legal Fund) and the budgets of both Funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford that Fund #235, Barnes Park Grant Fund, be closed and the remaining \$703.18 be transferred to Fund #161, Grant Match Reserve Fund, and the budgets of both Funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that the following proposal be placed on the August 3, 2004 Primary Election ballot:

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Antrim County, Michigan, imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for said County by up to sixteenth hundredths (.16) mill (\$0.16 per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the county) for four (4) years, 2004 through 2007 inclusive, for the general operation of the Antrim Conservation District? It is estimated that the .16 mill would raise approximately \$217,381 when first levied in 2004.

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford that Fund #466 (Capital Projects – Jail Renovation & Acquisition) and Fund #470 (Capital Projects – Buildings & Structures) be combined into Fund #470 and the revenue, Jail inmate room and board, currently being credited to Fund #466 be credited to Fund #470 and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the claims and accounts totaling \$89,911.87 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen that the Chairman sign release agreements with Quicksilver Resources for the following described properties:

SE1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 4, Custer Township
T29N, R7W (Green River West Project – Well D2-4)
and

E1/2 of the E1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 16, Custer Township
T29N, R7W (Green River West Project – Well C4-16)

and sign a pipeline releases with Quicksilver Resources for the following described properties:

E1/2 of the E1/2 of the SE ¼ of Section 16, Custer Township
T29N, R7W (Green River West Project – Sitting Bull Unit)

And

SE1/4 of SW1/4 of Section 4, Custer Township, T29N, R7W
(Green River West – Sitting Bull Unit)

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The matter of crediting the revenue from the above noted Quicksilver Resources transactions was referred back to the Lands Committee.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore that the Family Independence Agency Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Theresa Kent, Abstractor, gave the Abstract Department 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Abstract Department 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Gene Dawson, Transportation Committee Chairman, reported that Antrim County Transportation Director, Robert Straw, would be retiring June 10, 2004.

The bids for Airport insurance were presented: ACE Property & Casualty Ins. - \$11,740.00; Phoenix Aviation Mgrs. - \$15,566.00.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the bid from ACE Property & Casualty Ins. For \$11,740 for Airport insurance be accepted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #09-04 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, four pending permit applications to drill natural gas wells within the borders of the Jordan Valley Management Area (JVMA) of the Mackinaw State Forest are before the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR); and

WHEREAS, all previous attempts to drill oil or gas wells on public land within JVMA has been opposed, denied, or withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of DNR's Forestry Division's Jordan Valley Management Plan (JVMP), and the Jordan Valley "...shall be developed primarily as a naturalistic area," and

WHEREAS, the Plan further states, "the development and extraction of mineral deposits within the Jordan Valley is not in keeping with the goals set forth herein or the intent of the Wild and Scenic River designation of the Jordan River. It shall be the policy of the DNR not to permit exploration for or extraction of any surface minerals within the Jordan Valley," and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution, Resolution #29, dated December 12, 1996, that oil and gas production in the Jordan Valley "will have both long and short-term detrimental ecological, recreational, and economic consequences to the Jordan River Valley and to Antrim County, and also interfere with the use and enjoyment of the area by the public...", and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners in the same Resolution #29 of December 12, 1996, recognized the "the ecological, recreational, and economic value of the Jordan Valley and the concerns of the people of Antrim County, and opposed any attempt to drill on state owned surface lands within the JVMA"; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners and various local groups such as the Friends of the Jordan (FOJ) while opposing attempts to drill on public lands within the JVMA, recognize that the State of Michigan owns vast mineral holdings outside sensitive protected areas that can be traded, thereby protecting the rights of mineral owners and preserving the integrity of both the JVMA and the JVMP;

Resolution #09-04 – continued

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the position of the Friends of the Jordan on arriving at a sensible compromise in terms of balancing mineral rights within the JVMA and the need to protect the integrity of JVMA and JVMP, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners urges the State of Michigan to first evaluate drilling applications within public lands of JVMA based on standard criteria of property law, environmental impact, and economic viability; and if the application meets these requirements, to negotiate an equitable trade with mineral owners using the State’s vast mineral holdings outside the sensitive protected areas of JVMA and others, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Governor, State Representative, State Senators, the Michigan Association of Counties, and all other Michigan Counties.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #09-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Chairman appointed Charles (Mike) Huntly to the Tax Allocation Board.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson that appointment of Charles Huntly to the Tax Allocation Board be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the hiring freeze be lifted and the procedures be started for employment of a new Director for Antrim County Transportation. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

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| Jerry Hubbell | Veterans Affairs Committee |
| Marshall Wright | Board of Public Works |
| Michael Meriwether | Parks & Recreation Commission |
| Allen Pecar | Parks & Recreation Commission |
| Laura Sexton | Housing Commission |
| Paul Trumble | E-911 Board |

Appointments – continued

Carl Veenstra

Antrim Creek Commission

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the above named appointments be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that members of the Board of Commissioners salaries be increased as follows: 2.5% beginning January 1, 2005, 2.5 % beginning July 1, 2005, 2.5% beginning January 1, 2006, and 2.5% beginning July 1, 2006. At the request of Mr. Bargy, the matter was tabled until April.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the mileage rate be increased from \$.34/mi to \$.35/mi effective January 1, 2005. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that part time building inspectors continue to receive \$1.50 per hour more at each step of the scale in the bargaining union contract, because they do not get benefits. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the bid policy be waived and the county contract with Carl Goeman to be the Solution Area Planner (SAP) for the fifteen month grant period; grant amount to be \$25,000. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek that the county contract with Madison National Life for the county's short-term disability and life insurance coverage for two years, contingent on negotiation of a \$95.00 per month reduction in the premium, coverage to start as soon as possible after negotiations are complete. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Alvin McShane be hired as Plumbing Inspector and in the event Mr. McShane does not take the job, Jason Wright be considered 2nd and Arlo Baker third. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the Sheriff hire a part-time (24 hours a week,) court officer at \$13.00 per hour. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek that the union grievance involving the County Clerk's office be denied. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The matter of survey at the Six-Mile Lake property was referred back to the Lands Committee.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign the Soil Erosion & Sedimentation Contract with Antrim Conservation District as amended. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Chairman sign an Affiliation Agreement between Commission on Aging and the University of Michigan for nursing education services. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Allen that the following additions to the Animal Shelter construction be approved:

glass in door to kennel room	167.00
washable material on walls around animal tub	250.00
additional coat of glossy paint in various rooms	600.00

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Bargy the Chairman sign the State Homeland Security Grant Program Part II Training Grant Agreement giving Antrim County \$30,532.51 with no cost to the county. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Thursday, February 12, 2004

There was some discussion on introduced legislation involving de-icers.

It was decided the November meeting would be Friday, November 12, 2004 at the regular time.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Laura Stanek, Vice-chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

Absent: White.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Janet Person encouraged everyone to vote for Antrim Conservation District Directors.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Bargy the minutes of February 12, 2004 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$48,186.05 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the County Treasurer purchase two office chairs (\$279.98 and \$320.00) for her office as budgeted in the 2004 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the 2004 budget for Elk Rapids Day Park be reduced from \$10,518.00 to \$7,500.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that \$372.00 be added to the County Clerk's Capital Outlay in the 2004 General Fund budget to upgrade the monitors to flat screen on the 6 computers being provided to the Circuit Court (County Clerk's office) by the State Court. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the estimate from Eagle Land Surveying for \$1,800 to survey county property in the S ¼ of Section in Echo Township being Government Lot 2 lying N of the Intermediate River be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

There was discussion on the payment of 75% of the proceeds from surface damages by gas & oil companies on county lands to the Antrim Conservation District.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen that \$265 be expended to Fen's Rim Publications for an advertisement of the 2004 tourist map and the fee be paid from the Elk Rapids Day Park cost center of the 2004 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Bargy that \$2,500 be added to the Parks and Recreation Commission budget for per diem and mileage. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that \$3,500 be paid from the Forestry Fund for logging and curing of logs to be used in the construction of the Barnes Park Nature Center, the \$3,500 to be reimbursed from the expected grant monies. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

Charles Koop updated the Board on the Brake Road/Crystal Beach Road railroad bed matter.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the revenues from surface damages created by oil and gas companies be deposited in the Forest Funds and 75% be paid to the Antrim Conservation District. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Stanek; Absent – White.

RESOLUTION #10-04 by McLeod, seconded by Howelman

WHEREAS, the Michigan Legislature has proposed House Bill 4234, a bill that as introduced would allow an exemption for the \$10,000 of personal property tax for businesses (potentially phased in over a three (3) year period), and

WHEREAS, the implementation of this bill would result in a reduction of revenues to Antrim County: \$38,000 annually when fully implemented, and

WHEREAS, other actions (or inactions) by the State of Michigan have adversely affected, or may in the future adversely affect Antrim County, as well as all the other counties in the State [i.e., failure to pay Antrim County the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) as well as the State's proposal to discontinue revenue sharing for the counties (\$404,927 for 2003) to Antrim County], and

WHEREAS, these actions of the State of Michigan are having a devastating effect on the financial stability of Antrim County.

Resolution #10-04 – continued

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners are adamantly opposed to House Bill 4234 and extremely disappointed in the state legislators for continuing to consider this and other measures that further damage the financial position of county government.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - Crawford

Absent – White.

RESOLUTION #10-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen the Chairman and the Coordinator/Planner be authorized to sign the Remonumentation Program Grant Agreement giving Antrim County \$35,836.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Corrections, Cook and Clerical union contract between Antrim County and Police Officers of Michigan be ratified as negotiated through mediation on February 13, 2004 and the Chairman be authorized to sign. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

The Vice-Chairman appointed Kent Stoddard and Betsy Brown to the North Country Community Mental Health Board.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Kent Stoddard and Betsy Brown to the North Country Community Mental Health Board, terms to expire March 31, 2005, be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson to lift the hiring freeze, return the funds to the Equalization Department and initiate the hiring process for an appraiser position in the Equalization Department to be filled no sooner than June 1, 2004.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Crawford the motion concerning filling the appraiser position be tabled. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – McLeod; Absent – White.

The Vice-chairman appointed Laura Sexton, County Clerk, as the Privacy Officer for HIPPA compliance.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Laura Sexton as Privacy Officer for HIPPA compliance be approved. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

RESOLUTION #11-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, THE National Association of Counties (NACo) is the only national organization representing the interests of county governments before Congress and the Administration, and through its successful lobbying efforts, the collective county voice has made an enormous impact on legislation affecting out communities; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of NACo consists of officials elected by their fellow members to serve as a liaison between the nation's counties and other levels of government by promoting the policies and platforms adopted by the membership; and

WHEREAS, it is widely recognized that the role of members of the Executive Committee is critically important in formulating and implementing the agenda; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, at its full-board meeting of March 11, 2004 expressed approval of the nomination of Oakland County Commissioner, Eric Coleman, for the office of Second Vice-President of the National of Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners believes that Commissioner Coleman's experience, involvement and membership on the NACo Board of Directors, Task Force on Governance, and Community & Economic Development Steering Committees makes him an ideal candidate for the referenced position; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Coleman has a long established record as a person who recognizes the importance of building partnerships and as an elected official actively engaged in developing regional initiatives that embrace diversity and benefit for multiple communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby extends its prideful support to the nomination of our esteemed colleague from the State of Michigan, Oakland County Commissioner Eric Coleman, for the office of Second Vice-President of the National Association of Counties.

Resolution #11-04 – continued

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be dutifully signed and sealed by the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, Chairperson and Antrim County Clerk as testament to this Board's action.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the National Association of Counties, the Michigan Association of Counties and all Michigan counties.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – White.

RESOLUTION #11-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford a 3.5 % increase in wages for park employees for the 2004 season be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Chairman sign the agreement with the MSU Museum for care, storage, and access of the artifacts found at the Antrim Creek Natural Area. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford to approve a proposed archeological excavation and survey at the Antrim Creek Natural Area and authorize the Chairman of the ACNA to respond affirmatively to the request. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

John Strehl, Airport Manager, presented the Airport 2003 Annual Report. Also Zoe Larch , an aviation planner from the Michigan Department of Transportation, reported on the impact Antrim County Airport has on the local area.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the Airport 2003 Annual Report be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the rental amount for the conference room at the Antrim County Airport be set at \$40 for ½ day. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the revised 2004 agreement between Antrim County MeadowView Apartments and Meadowbrook be approved and the Vice-Chairman be authorized to sign. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the Vice-Chairman be authorized to sign any contracts or other agreements during the absence of the Chairman. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Howelman the following ballot proposal by approved to be presented to the Antrim County electorate at the November 2, 2004 General Election:

E-911 PROPOSAL

For the purpose of equipping, operating and maintaining of the Antrim County E-911 emergency services and consolidated dispatch costs, shall there be a monthly assessment by the County of Antrim of no more than an additional sixteen percent (16%) of the highest monthly flat rate charged by a telephone service supplier for a single party access line, not to exceed \$2.89 per month, upon telephone service users within the Antrim County 911 Service District for a period not to exceed four years: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008?

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

The Vice-Chairman appointed Daniel Robinson to the Citizen At Large opening on the 911 Board.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by Blackmore the appointment of Daniel Robinson as Citizen at Large on the 911 Board, term to expire January 1, 2007 be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman a project proposal on County letterhead be submitted to the Department of Natural Resources to lease the Wetzel Lake Park area from the DNR and phased development of the proposed Wetzel Lake Park and Campsite (to be operated jointly with Mancelona Township) be commenced. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Robert Englebrecht, Equalization Director, spoke to the Board about the importance of filling the position of appraiser as soon as possible.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman called for Public Comment. Donald Schuiteman indicated there had not been consideration of his letter requesting to be appointed to any open position on any Board or Commission. Ed Martel concurred with Mr. Schuiteman and also objected to the proposed Farmland and Open Space Ordinance. John Foresman introduced himself as candidate for 86th District Court Judge.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the minutes of March 11, 2004 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that claims and accounts totaling \$45,742.44 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows:
Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the Administration Committee prepare a Grant Policy incorporating previous actions taken on grant submission and grant approval and establishing criteria for grant reporting. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the agreement between Antrim County and the Antrim Conservation District be amended to include a provision that the ACD comply with the Federal Single Audit requirements. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that \$10,000 be transferred from the Forestry Fund to the Grass River Operating Fund to be used for improvements to the Grass River Natural Area road; at least \$5,000 to be repaid by Grass River Natural Area Inc. and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Peter Garwood announced there would be a fire drill in the County Buildings on April 26.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford a temporary Animal Control officer be employed in August to fill in for an employee on Family leave. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman a temporary dispatcher be employed in May to fill in for an employee on Family leave. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the hiring freeze be lifted and the vacant position of sales clerk at the Nifty Thrifty be filled. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the hiring freeze be lifted and the County Clerk hire a part time (maximum of 29 hours per week) Clerk II to replace the full time position just vacated. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the hiring freeze be lifted and the vacant position of Appraiser in the Equalization Department be filled. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Dawson, Stanek; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the HIPPA Privacy Policy be approved contingent on approval by the Prosecuting Attorney. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Register of Deeds obtain a document scanning system from ACS including software, hardware, and training at \$3.50 per document, payment to be made from the Register of Deeds Technology Fund. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek that Sheridan Rhoads be hired as Antrim County Transportation Director and in the event he does not take the job, Dennis Fegan be considered second and Daryl Tims third. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford Fund #238, Wetzel Lake Operating Fund be established to receive funds from donations and fund raisers and pay any necessary expenses. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Barga, seconded by Dawson that an ad-hoc Street and Road Numbering Committee consisting of one individual from the following departments: Construction Code, ACES, Prosecuting Attorney, Equalization, #-911, and Coordinator/Planner be established to strengthen and re-write the 911 Ordinance. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Tim Keenan presented a request to approve the following grant requests:

1. Office of Community Corrections grant for \$180,710 for the Community Corrections program and an Additional \$188,340 for Probation Residential Services.
2. Bryne grant for \$73,000 for the transition house intensive supervision (THIS) program with a match of \$18,250 to obtained from tether funds.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Barga the above-named grant requests for Community Corrections be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that, on petition from the Tax Allocation Board (see page), the following proposal be placed on the August 3, 2004 Primary Election ballot:

ANTRIM COUNTY
SEPARATE TAX
LIMITATIONS RENEWAL

This proposal being a renewal, shall separate tax limitation be Established for a period of four years, 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008, or until Altered by the voters of the County of Antrim, for the County of Antrim and The Townships and Intermediate School District within the County, the Aggregate of which shall not exceed 6.67 mills, as follows:

County of Antrim	5.4 mills
Townships	1.0
Intermediate School Districts	<u>0.27</u>
TOTAL	6.67 Mills

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Gail Hall from Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility gave a presentation on the Needs Assessment Survey.

Robert Englebrecht, Equalization Director gave the 2004 Equalization Report.

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It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the 2004 Equalization report be adopted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Peter Garwood, Coordinator/Planner, gave his 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Coordinator/Planner 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Barbara Budros introduced herself as a candidate for 86th District Judge.

Judy Martin gave the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Judge Norman Hayes presented the Probate Court/Circuit Court Family Division 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Probate Court/Circuit Court Family Division 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman appointed Laura Sexton and Peter Garwood as officer delegate and alternate to the 2003 Municipal Employee Retirement System Annual Meeting.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Laura Sexton and Peter Garwood as delegate and alternate to the 2003 Municipal Employees Retirement System Annual Meeting be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the County make application for a Department of Environmental Quality Pollution Prevention (P2) grant for electronics recycling for 2004. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Grass River Natural Area Inc. utilize a temporary work space (until summer) immediately outside of the existing GRNA office for the GRNA Educational Coordinator. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that temporary space be allocated to the Antrim County Historical Society in the Antrim County Building for storage for historical documents and records; an agreement be written by the Coordinator/Planner for use of this space contingent upon approval by the Prosecuting Attorney. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Bary the Construction Code Enforcement use the "old" Grass River space on the second floor of the County Building for storage and the Coordinator/Planner calculate what the additional rent for this space would be. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Al McShane, Building Department employee, requested support of the Board of Commissioners to retain the Construction Code Enforcement Department. Bonnie Nothoff announced she is a candidate for State Representative from the 105th District. Paul Jarboe announced he is a candidate for 86th District Court Judge. Ed Martel stated he is a candidate for Antrim County Drain Commissioner and spoke on the need for a new health code and other environmental issues. The following contractors urged the Board to do everything possible to retain the Construction Code Enforcement Department: Bob Wilson of Wilson Construction, Tim Moore of Moore Plumbing and Heating, and Frank Dean of New Country, Inc.

Public Comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

Patty Niepoth, Register of Deeds, presented the 2003 Annual Report for that Department.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Register of Deeds 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney, spoke briefly on the progress on the lease with the Family Independence Agency.

Peter Garwood spoke on the Farmland Preservation Ordinance changes and the possible need for another Public Hearing. It was agreed to have a Public Hearing at the next regular meeting in June. He also informed of the possibilities of obtaining a knowledgeable person to temporarily head the Construction Code Enforcement Department while making every effort to retain the department in Antrim County.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the Coordinator/Planner be authorized be continue the search for a temporary head of the Construction Code Department with the Chairman authorized to approve the hiring; the Coordinator/Planner also be authorized to obtain temporary clerical help for the Department with the Chairman authorized to approve the hiring. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

On recommendation from Circuit Court Judges Thomas Power and Philip Rodgers, the Chairman appointed Janice Olach to fill a vacancy on the Antrim County Jury Board.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the appointment of Janice Olach to the Antrim County Jury Board, term to expire April 30, 2005 be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that claims and accounts totaling \$77,446.56 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that following Commission on Aging Millage Proposal be presented to the electorate at the August 3, 2004 Primary Election:

Commission on Aging Millage Proposal

Being a renewal of 2000 millage, shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be levied by the County of Antrim, Michigan against all taxable property within Antrim County be increased by four/tenths (4/10) of 1 mill (\$.40 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of four years, 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008 inclusive, to provide operational funding for the Antrim County Commission on Aging. If approve and levied in its entirety this millage would raise an estimated \$446,695 for the County in 2005.

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy \$3,975.00 be paid from the Animal Donations Fund to Cathy Musser for boarding of 17 dogs, money to be reimbursed from criminal restitution to be paid by the former owner and the expenditure budget of the Animal Donations Fund be increased by \$3,975.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Sheriff Terry Johnson explained that there would be no reimbursement from the State for the 2002 Marine program as the State had “lost” the reimbursement request.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the Prosecuting Attorney be authorized to submit litigation to obtain the Marine program reimbursement for 2002. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman \$1,875 be transferred from the Special Projects budget to the Emergency Services budget (both in the General Fund) for payment of expenses relating to installation of a new septic system at the Emergency Services Building. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod \$2,400 be expended for wiring for the judicial network to be paid from the Computer budget (General Fund); funds to be reimbursed by the State and the expenditure and revenue budgets of the General Fund be increased by \$2,400. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bary \$1,400 be expended for installation of the Judicial network to be paid from the Computer budget (General Fund); funds to be reimbursed by the State and the expenditure and revenue budgets of the General Fund be increased by \$1,400. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the minutes of April 8, 2004 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen that the matter of submitting an appeal to the State concerning the removal of the Construction Code Enforcement Department from Antrim County and any reaction or activities resulting from a response to the appeal be referred to the Public Works Committee in conjunction with the Prosecuting Attorney. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Chris Grobbel from Ball Associates and an attorney from the Michigan Environmental Law Center spoke on the “takings” issue in Northern Michigan.

Carol Mitchell, Director, presented the Commission on Aging 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Stanek the Commission on Aging 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Stanley Moore, MSU Extension Agent, gave the MSU Extension 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the MSU Extension 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Janet Person reported there would be 3 fundraisers for Wetzel Lake as follows:

1. June 5 – Bass Festival – ice cream sale
2. June 12 – electronic waste recycling flea market in conjunction with the household hazardous waste collection day.
3. July 16-17 – county-wide garage sale.

Patty Lowery, Director, presented the 2003 Housing Department Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the 2003 Housing Department Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #12-04 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Robert McLeod

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended (Act 51), it is necessary for the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, (hereby known as THE APPLICANT) established under Act 94-1933, to provide a local transportation program for the state fiscal year of 2005 and, therefore, apply for state financial assistance under provisions of Act 51; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for THE APPLICANT, to name an official representative for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration for Act 51; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to certify that no changes in eligibility documentation have occurred during the past state fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the performance indicators for this agency have been reviewed and approved by THE APPLICANT; and (State Operating Assistance Program only)

WHEREAS, THE APPLICANT, has reviewed and approved the proposed balanced (surplus) budget, and funding sources of estimated federal funds \$64,879, estimated state funds \$250,213, estimated local funds \$62,000, estimated farebox \$167,208, estimated other funds \$48,200, with total estimated expenses of \$592,500.

Resolution #12-04 – continued

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that THE APPLICANT hereby makes its intentions known to provide public transportation services and to apply for state financial assistance with this annual plan, in accordance with Act 51; and

HEREBY, appoints Robert Straw or Sheridan Rhodes as the Transportation Coordinator, for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51 for 2005.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #12-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the Antrim County Airport runway scope will remain at 5,000 feet length with a 300 feet runoff area. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that during the period Ronald Wood serves as temporary head of the Construction Code Enforcement Department, his hourly wage be increased to \$17.50 per hour. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Summary Plan Description for MEBS be approved and the Chairman be authorized to sign. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #13-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

Opposition to the July Property Tax Collection Proposal for County Revenue Sharing Funds

WHEREAS, the Governor has submitted her 2005 budget proposal to the Legislature, and

Resolution #13-04 – continued

WHEREAS, the budget, as proposed, would suspend statutory revenue sharing payments to county governments by substituting funds made available by requiring summer tax collection of county property taxes, and

WHEREAS, moving the county property tax collection to July 1, 2004, would create a hardship on many citizens by requiring property tax payments a mere six month after having paid their property taxes, and

WHEREAS, the tax revenue collected in July 2004 will not be available for county operations as it will be placed into a revenue sharing restricted reserve account to be drawn on over a period of years in lieu of revenue sharing, and

WHEREAS, property taxes will not be levied again until June 2005, leaving the counties without operating funds for six month (January 2005-July 2005) and leaving Antrim County at the end of the 11 month period of time with a shortfall in its budget, and

WHEREAS, the effect of this proposal is to shift and shuffle the burden of the State's budget shortfall onto county government, placing a new tax on the counties by requiring counties to fund their own "revenue sharing", and

WHEREAS, many counties will be forced to borrow operating funds during the time property tax revenues are unavailable adding debt service to already stressed general fund budgets.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is adamantly opposed to the proposed three card monte with the revenue sharing funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to State Representative Ken Bradstreet, State Senator Jason Allen, Governor Jennifer Granholm, the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), and the Board of Commissioners of Michigan's other 82 counties.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #13-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #14-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, members of the Michigan House Tax Policy Committee passed House Bill 4234 which mandates that local units of government provide personal property tax exemptions to all businesses in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, by amendment, the bill provides an exemption for the first \$3,000 of personal property taxable value in 2005, increases it to \$6,000 in 2006, increases it to \$10,000 in 2007 and then the exemption would be set permanently at \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, the average tax break to a business would be small, but the tax shift to Michigan's communities would create a significant tax burden for their residents; and

WHEREAS, implementation of House Bill 4234 would result in an annual reduction of considerable funding to Antrim County when fully implemented.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adamantly opposes changes in personal property taxes and House Bill 4234, and urges the Governor and State Legislature to expand options for generating revenues locally to provide for stable funding of county services at a level appropriate to the needs of the County.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #14-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #15-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners wishes to communicate to its Representatives and the Governor of the State of Michigan the concerns of eliminating revenue sharing; and

WHEREAS, Antrim County receives approximately \$350,000 of revenue sharing revenue and its elimination would cause significant financial problems for Antrim County; and

WHEREAS, Antrim County understands through communications with other counties that an elimination in revenue sharing would dramatically affect them in a negative manner; and

Resolution #15-04 – continued

WHEREAS, Antrim County has committed these dollars, since they have been a long-term revenue source to one of our most important functions, Sheriff Department Road Patrol;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners requests that Senator Allen and Representative Bradstreet oppose any changes or cuts in revenue sharing to counties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Michigan Association of Counties, all 82 other counties, State Senator Jason Allen, State Representative Kenneth Bradstreet, and Governor Jennifer Granholm.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #15-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #16-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, the state of Michigan, Department of Corrections (DOC) is proposing “reopening” the sentencing guidelines for individuals that are convicted of felonies in the State of Michigan based on the need for the State to reduce expenditures in the DOC because of the budgetary crisis at the State level; and

WHEREAS, once the sentencing guidelines are revised, they will identify more offenders as Lock-Outs (not eligible for prison) and fewer Straddle Cells (those that could either be sentenced to jail or prison); and

WHEREAS, the proposal is developed over a three-year time frame, with the State only guaranteeing the reimbursement for one year, and requiring each County to submit a grant application for reimbursement each year, which the State can approve or disapproved; and

WHEREAS, the proposal is based on assumptions – that the County has open bed space in which to divert felons and that we will be able to grow our organization to enhance community corrections by new and enhanced residential and non-residential inmate services even though the County itself is facing a budgetary crisis and jail overcrowding is a challenge faced on a daily basis.

Resolution #16-04 – continued

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes changing and/or reopening sentencing guidelines for prisoners.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None

RESOLUTION #16-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #17-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, millions of dedicated men and women have been members of the armed services and have realized the possibility of having to serve their country in a foreign land or war zone; and

WHEREAS, many who served died for their country and many more lost limbs, mobility and, in many cases, their rationalization to return home and adjust without government assistance; and

WHEREAS, many gave up employment to defend the honor of this country and returned home to jobs that no longer existed and families torn apart as a result; and

WHEREAS, to impose on these service people a penalty by increasing their VA Hospital Drug Co-Pay from \$7.00 to \$15.00 is unthinkable and morally wrong; and

WHEREAS, to charge any veteran an annual fee of \$250.00, whether priority (8) or not is totally disrespectful to all veterans who have served and have an honorable discharge as some medical problems surface many years after discharge; and

WHEREAS, since the Veterans Administration has in place a mechanism to collect all unpaid bills by intercepting pensions, Social Security, and any other monies Vets receive, we deem these new proposals would indicate to our service personnel an attitude and belief that their government is not working in their best interest; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners suggests military budget reductions should affect other areas, such as weapons programs but not those that will harm any Veteran in today's economy. By imposing monetary penalties at VA Hospitals the only place Veterans can go, who have little or no insurance at all; and

Resolution #17-04 – continued

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Antrim County Board of Commissioners opposes both the co-pay increase and the \$250.00 annual fee for any Veteran categorized in the two lower priority categories.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to United States Representative Bart Stupak, United States Senators Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin, the National Association of Counties, and all other 82 counties in Michigan.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #17-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #18-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, Public Transportation exists in some form in all 83 Michigan counties and in the majority of Michigan’s municipalities, and

WHEREAS, Public Transportation is funded by a combination of sources including federal, state and local financing and the historic level of state support has been declining as a percentage of overall support for the past seven years, and

WHEREAS, the Granholm Administration has proposed a budget for 2005 that holds Public Transportation essentially harmless from further cuts, and

WHEREAS, the state’s Comprehensive Transportation Fund is recognized as a primary source of funding for Public Transportation and these funds are “restricted state funds” intended to be used solely for provision of public transportation services and state administrative support, and

WHEREAS, Public Transportation is a key economic development tool in local communities, providing essential transportation to work sites, training centers and education facilities, and

WHEREAS, Public Transportation is recognized and depended upon by countless residents as a vital source of transportation fore medical purposes, grocery shopping, employment and consumer activities, and

Resolution #18-04 – continued

WHEREAS, Public Transportation is an integral part of local and statewide economic activity through the wages and salaries of employees, contracting of services and equipment from local vendors, purchasing capital equipment including buses and vans from Michigan-based automotive manufacturers that promote the retention of manufacturing jobs in Michigan, and

WHEREAS, State funds in the Comprehensive Transportation Fund, in addition to funding Public Transportation, provide essential rail passenger and freight, intercity bus service, transportation planning and critical state match funds for significant federal grant funding, and

WHEREAS, Public Transportation is recognized for its positive contributions to the economic development of Michigan and the local economy, quality of life for employers and employees, senior citizens, students, lower income citizens and the disabled, and

WHEREAS, Public Transportation contributes significantly to the overall economic vitality of Michigan's counties and demand for public transit services surpass current resources,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Antrim County hereby calls upon the members of the state Legislature to fully fund existing positions in the Department of Transportation's Multi-Modal Bureau and the state's transportation services, and to expand state funding of these services insomuch as resources allow.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #18-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #19-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan executive budget recommendation on the payment in lieu of taxes (PILT) includes the recommendation that payments on property purchased by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) shall move from the responsibility of the DNR and be paid from the state's statutory revenue sharing pot and that payments are frozen at 2003 levels, and

Resolution #19-04 – continued

WHEREAS, the DNR currently owns several acres in Antrim County, and

WHEREAS, the DNR has not yet paid its obligation under PILT for Fiscal Year 2004, although the Legislature appropriated funding for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, the Administration's proposal for revenue sharing this year includes total elimination of county revenue sharing. Linking PILT to this source created an unstable base of funding for this program which is critical to maintain key county services, and

WHEREAS, freezing PILT payments potentially increases the tax burden of all other county residents and represents a real cut in funding for critical programs because of Headlee requirements, and

WHEREAS, the Administration's proposal takes away any incentive for the DNR to utilize prudence in deciding which parcels of property to purchase, and

WHEREAS, these two programs have distinctly different purposes, revenue sharing is to be utilized statewide for counties to conduct state-mandated programs, and PILT is used to offset pressures of providing services in those specific areas where state land is prevalent, and

WHEREAS, another component of this budget proposal is to cap commercial forest payments at 1994 levels, a proposal which is particularly difficult for Upper Peninsula counties, and

WHEREAS, Antrim County officially opposes the Administration's proposal for PILT funding and strongly urges the Legislature to maintain the current process of having the DNR make PILT payments, and

NOW, THERE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Antrim County supports funding the payments by utilizing any and all possible DNR sources of funding, including restricted funds and revenue from the sale of state lands.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Antrim County also supports efforts to streamline tax bills so the DNR gets just one bill from each county and supports giving local governments veto authority on future DNR land purchases, in their respective jurisdictions, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jennifer Granholm, State Senator Jason Allen, State Representative Kenneth Bradstreet, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #19-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Administration Committee be authorized to hire a Field Appraiser for the Equalization Department after the completion of interviews. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Carol Stocking reported on the 2003 revenues for the District Court.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the State concerning receipt of computers for use by the Circuit Court, District Court, Family Division of Circuit Court, and the County Clerk’s office. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Allen that Parks Manager be authorized to pursue obtaining a grant from Great Lakes Energy for up to \$11,400 for paving the entrance to Barnes Park at Eastport. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The following bids were received for providing firewood at Barnes Park:

Robert Denise	\$ 3.50/bundle
Ken Cronin	2.00/bundle
Marvin Owen McDowell	3.50/bundle

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Allen that the bid from Ken Cronin for \$2.00/bundle for supplying firewood to Barnes Park for the 2004 season be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the Parks Manager provide gratis accommodation at Barnes Park from June 20 to July 23 to the Michigan State University archeology team while they are performing a summer dig at the Antrim Creek Natural Area. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid from MIHM Enterprises, Inc. to re-roof the 1905 Courthouse at a cost of \$87,650 plus \$18 lineal foot for ridge cap replacement and \$12 a square foot for roof board replacement be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Chairman be authorized to sign a lease with the Antrim County Historical Society for storage space in the County Building pending final approval by the Prosecuting Attorney. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman that Legal Counsel Charles Koop be requested to intervene to implement successful agreement among the architect, contractor, and the County on completion of the Animal Shelter. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bary, seconded by Blackmore one of the existing patrol cars be transferred to the Emergency Operation Center and the current car at the EOC be transferred to the Sheriff for sale by bid along with another existing sheriff patrol car. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Public Hearing on the Antrim County Farmland and Open Space Ordinance started at 9:10 a.m. Comments against the Ordinance were offered by the following individuals: Lawrence Wolgamott, Jim Gurr, John Koslosky, Kent McNeil, Rolland Kotz, Ed Martel, Mary Tocco, Greg Kareem, Lawrence Hayes. Comments in favor of the Ordinance were given by the following individuals: Dean Crandall, Bill White, Dorance Amos, Lon Bargy, Paul Hubbell, Rick Sayler, Joe Anderson, Gordon Kilmer, Norm Veliquette, Brett Pharo, Jim King, Rob Larrea, Kim Schmidt, John King, Brian Altonen. The Public Hearing closed at 10:00 a.m.

ORDINANCE #01-04 by Larry Bargy, seconded by Laura Stanek

Antrim County Farmland and Open Space Development Rights Ordinance

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson to table action on Ordinance #01-04 until the July meeting. Motion DEFEATED by a yea and nay vote as follows: No – Bargy, White, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Howelman, Allen; Absent – None.

It was decided to defer action on Ordinance #01-04 until the July meeting to examine the wording of the Ordinance.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson to approve the minutes of May 13, 2004. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Jim Gurr, Kent McNeil, and Ed Martel spoke on farmland preservation. Janet Person reported that approximately \$100 was raised for the Wetzel Lake Project from the Bass Festival ice cream sale. Scott Everett spoke of Farmland Preservation in relationship to Zoning.

Scott Everett and Charles Koop were requested to be present at the next Lands Committee meeting set for June 28, 2004.

Ellen Kohler and Chris Grobbel spoke on the principle of Regulatory Takings.

Terry Johnson, Sheriff gave the Sheriff Department 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by Bargo, seconded by McLeod the Sheriff Department 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:00 Noon

The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

George Perkins presented the Veterans Counselor and Meadowview 2003 Annual Reports.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen to the Veterans Counselor and Meadowview 2003 Annual Reports be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #20-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, Public Act 245 of 1935 was established to provide education tuition assistance for the orphans of Michigan military service persons killed in war, and was later expanded to include children of veterans who died subsequently from a service-connected disability, and those with a total disability incurred in time of war or peace; and

WHEREAS, State funding for this program was initially provided to the state board of education and educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, Public Act 9 of 1946 established the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund to provide temporary emergency financial assistance to eligible wartime veterans and their dependents from the interest earned on the Trust; and

WHEREAS, also in Public act 9 of 1946 the administration of Public Act 245 – Education of Children of Veterans, was transferred to the Veterans Trust Fund Board of Trustees, but except for some occasional Trust replenishment after borrowing from the principal, State appropriations to the Board to pay for Act 245 were not made as the law provided they were to be; and

WHEREAS, the use and cost of this Public Act 245 education program has continued to increase so that the cost out of the interest earned on the Trust is now near \$1 million per year, which is insufficient, requiring the Trust principal to be spent for this purpose; and

Resolution #20-04 – continued

WHEREAS, as Public Act 245 education costs continue to rise on the one hand, and the actual cost of mortgage, utilities, groceries and other emergency needs continue to rise on the other requiring the Trust principal to be spent to help our veterans, the very future of the Michigan Veterans Trusts Fund is in doubt unless some action is finally taken to more appropriately fund this Act 245 education program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby requests that Governor Granholm and the Michigan Legislature take the necessary action to fund the Public Act 245 of 1935 education program from a more appropriate source than from the interest earned on the principal of the Veterans Trust Fund so that it can be used as intended to help our Michigan wartime veterans and their families in times of temporary emergency need.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #20-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Sherry Comben, County Treasurer, gave the County Treasurer 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the County Treasurer 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Mark Stone, Drain Commissioner, presented the Drain Commissioner 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Drain Commissioner 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Carl Goeman, Emergency Services Coordinator, gave the Emergency Services 2003 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the Emergency Services 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$58,186.54 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Finance Committee Chairman reported the Star Township Treasurer had resigned and the County Treasurer had been contacted to collect the Star Township taxes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the County Treasurer and Star Township enter into a contract in which the County Treasurer would collect the summer taxes for the Township of Star at a rate of \$2.50 per every parcel billed and receipt sent out by the County Treasurer. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford that Janet Person of the Antrim Conservation District apply on behalf of the County for a grant for Antrim Creek Natural Area in the amount of \$54,725 with a cash match of \$8,700 to be paid from the Antrim Creek Natural Area Fund and the ACNA Fund budget be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that Janet Person of the Antrim Conservation District apply on behalf of the County for a grant for Wetzel Lake in the amount of \$50,200 with a cash match of \$5,040 to be paid from the Grant Match Reserve Fund and the budget of the Grant Match Reserve Fund be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod \$500 be transferred from Contingencies (General Fund) to the Wetzel Lake Fund to assist in payment for Soil Erosion Control at that site and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek that Casey Guthrie be hired as Appraiser in the Equalization Department contingent upon his obtaining his Level II certification. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #21-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, Antrim County is a major recreation area throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, many citizens spend their vacations and free time traveling the trail systems throughout Antrim County enjoying the beauty and wildlife; and

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WHEREAS, these trails run through State and Federal forest lands that are uninhabited; and

WHEREAS, there are times when an emergency arises and help is needed but the riders are not certain where they are located; and

WHEREAS, this greatly impedes rescue personnel in reaching an accident scene resulting in great delays and possibly deaths.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners asks that all State and Federal ORV and Snowmobile Trails in all Northern Michigan counties be signed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signage have GPS coordinates to enable 911 Dispatch Centers to quickly send emergency personnel to the remote scenes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to all Northern Michigan counties including the Upper Peninsula, the MI Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Forest Service.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #21-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson to hire Julie Palka as Nifty Thrifty Sales Clerk and if she does not accept the job, it be offered to Terra Kirks. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the hiring freeze be lifted and the hiring process be started to fill the soon to be vacant position in the maintenance/custodial department. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the hiring freeze be lifted and the vacant Executive Secretary position in the Michigan State University Extension office be posted and the Administration/County Services Committee be authorized to fill the position. If the position is filled with an existing employee who is currently a Secretary in the MSU Extension office, the Administration Committee is authorized to post and fill the resulting open Secretary position. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman appointed Richard Diebold to the Economic Development Commission/Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Bargy the appointment of Richard Diebold to the EDC/BRA, term to expire May 10, 2007, be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman appointed Donald Schuiteman to the Commission on Aging.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Donald Schuiteman to the Commission on Aging, term to expire December 31, 2004, be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman appointed Thomas Maleck, James Pascoe, and Barbara Bradford to the Planning Commission.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the appointment of Thomas Maleck, James Pascoe, and Barbara Bradford to the Planning Commission, terms to expire July 1, 2007, be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #22-04 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Joseph Allen

WHEREAS, Robert Straw has been employed by Antrim County as Antrim County Transportation Director since May 1, 1986, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Straw provided excellent service to the People of Antrim County as Director of the Antrim County Transportation from May 1, 1986 through June 10, 2004, and as Interim Director of the Antrim County Commission on Aging from June 1, 1991 through October 3, 1992, and

Resolution #22-04 - continued

WHEREAS, Mr. Straw has retired from the Antrim County Transportation, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize 18 years of county services,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners expresses its sincere appreciation to **ROBERT STRAW** for 18 years of outstanding, dedicated service to the Citizens and Taxpayers of Antrim County.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No – None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #22-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The following bids were presented for construction of a display case for the lobby of the County Building:

Twin Bay Glass	\$ 3,500
John Strehl	3,250
James Shugar’s Home Remodeling & Repair	4,975

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid of John Strehl for \$3,250 for construction of a display case for the lobby of the County Building be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Bids were presented from North Country Sanitation and American Waste for trash pick-up.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid for trash removal at various county locations be awarded to North Country Sanitation for three years at a cost of \$8,250 per year. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

There was considerable discussion on the new Animal Shelter and how to proceed with deficiencies in the construction. The matter was referred back to committee in consultation with the Prosecuting Attorney.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee presented a letter from the Central Lake Area Historical Society requesting the County give them an old wood file cabinet currently in storage. The Society would display the file cabinet in their museum.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the wooden shallow drawer forms cabinet requested by the Central Lake Area Historical Society be loaned to the CLA Historical Society for display in their Knowles Museum with the stipulation the cabinet cannot be sold or given away and would be returned to the County if requested. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #23-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the Chairman and County Clerk be authorized to sign the Family Independence Agency Lease Agreement Addendum extending the current lease until 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the lease may contain an option for extension to 2014.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No – None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #23-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the bid policy be waived and the bid from Northern Restoration and Waterproof Systems Inc. for sealing on all exterior windows and vents (excluding the clock tower) of the 1905 Courthouse at a cost of \$9,390 be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the Parks and Recreation Commission be authorized to apply on behalf of the County for a Great Lakes Energy People Fund grant to fund the resurfacing of the entrance area of Barnes Park for a total project cost of \$18,000 with no cash match. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

There was discussion on the current and future status of the Construction Code Enforcement Department. The Chairman and Peter Garwood will proceed with various options for temporary direction of the Department.

Michael Crawford left the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by McLeod the State Bureau of Construction Code and Fire Safety be requested to take over construction code inspections for Antrim County for a three month period until such time as Antrim County can establish a reorganization program for the Department. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman to rescind the motion of March 11, 2004 concerning ballot language for the 911 proposal for the November 2, 2004 General Election. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore; No – Barga, Allen; Absent Crawford.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the following ballot proposal be approved to be presented to the Antrim County electorate at the November 2, 2004 General Election:

E-911 PROPOSAL

Being a renewal, for the purpose of equipping, operating and maintaining of the Antrim County E-911 emergency services and consolidated dispatch costs, shall there be a monthly assessment by the County of Antrim of no more than an additional twelve percent (12%) of the highest monthly flat rate charged by a telephone service supplier for a single party access line, not to exceed \$2.89 per month, upon telephone service users within the Antrim County 911 Service District for a period not to exceed four years: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008?

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Crawford.

RESOLUTION #24-04 by David Howelman, seconded by Laura Stanek

BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Fiscal Year 2005 Area Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan and believe that the plan addresses the needs of the aging population in Region 10.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approves the Fiscal Year 2005 Area Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan.

Resolution #24-04 – continued

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – Crawford.

RESOLUTION #24-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Joseph Allen left the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the County Clerk's 2003 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Margaret VanLooy, Deputy County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Janet Person from the Antrim Conservation District gave an update on Wetzel Lake. The following people spoke against the proposed Farmland Preservation Ordinance: Ed Martel, Jim Gurr, Gregory Karam, John Kosloskey, and Lawrence Wolgamott. The following people spoke in favor of the proposed Farmland Preservation Ordinance: Gordon Kilmer, Sandra Beckwith, Paul Hubbell, Dorance Amos, Kim Schmidt, and Rick Sayler. Dennis LaBelle, Grand Traverse Prosecuting Attorney explained the Ordinance as Grand Traverse passed it and the possible Urban Cooperation Agreement which may follow.

The following Ordinance from the June 10, 2004 meeting was reintroduced.

ORDINANCE #01-04 by Larry Bargy, seconded by Laura Stanek

FARMLAND PRESERVATION
(see pages)

Yes – Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None.

ORDINANCE #01-40 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the minutes of June 10, 2004 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman introduced Robert Massey, Interim Director of the Construction Code Enforcement Department.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the funding for the vacated County Treasurer position be reinstated in the 2004 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the District Court take credit card payments for various expenses through Government Payment Services, the service paid to be absorbed by the consumer. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bary the claims and accounts totaling \$71,910.84 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman an additional \$86 be paid to the Antrim Conservation District for the erosion control project at Wetzel Lake. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Chairman and County Clerk sign the 4-D Cooperative Reimbursement Contract Application (Prosecuting Attorney) for the period of October, 2004 through September, 2005. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Chris Groebbel on behalf of the Tip of the Mitt gave a presentation on “Takings”.

Thomas Zick, CPA presented the 2003 County Audit.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the 2003 County Audit report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Public Hearings on the Wetzel Lake Grant Application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund and the Antrim Creek Natural Area Grant Application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund convened at 11:00 a.m. The Wetzel Lake Grant is for \$50,200 of which \$6,050 is a county cash match and \$6,100 is township in-kind match. The Antrim Creek Grant is for \$54,725 of which \$8,700 is a county cash match and \$4,981.25 is an in-kind match. Jim Gurr spoke on the Wetzel Lake Grant Application. The Public Hearings ended at 11:20 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that page four of the June 10, 2004 Board of Commissioners minutes concerning the Wetzel Lake Grant be amended to read a county match of \$6,050 rather than \$5,040. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #25-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Joseph Allen

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners fully supported and adopted the Antrim County Comprehensive Recreation Plan on February 10, 2000, and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Recreation Plan states the desire for Antrim County to create a park at Wetzel Lake including picnic areas, camping, and hiking trails, and

WHEREAS, the improvements named in the implementation plan of the Comprehensive Recreation Plan and thus also in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Application are necessary to provide better recreational amenities, increased access, and to comply with the provisions of the American Disabilities Act (ADA), and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements would provide for increased enjoyment of the lake by providing a modern bathhouse, a trail allowing access around the lake, installing 7 new primitive campsites, thereby upgrading the recreational experience, and

WHEREAS, due to budgetary constraints the County of Antrim does not currently have the ability to finance these capital improvements, without additional funding;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorizes a grant application for funding through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund program for the aforementioned improvement to the Wetzel Lake Recreational Center in Mancelona Township, Section 2, T.29N – R6W, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners agrees to accept the grant if awarded, and will provide a local match of twenty-five (25%) percent in the amount of \$12,500.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #25-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #26-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners fully supported and adopted the Antrim County Comprehensive Recreation Plan on February 10, 2000, and

Resolution #26-04 – continued

WHEREAS, the Antrim Creek Natural Area Plan, a component of the Comprehensive Recreation Plan states that we need to provide historical and environmental educational opportunities to the visitors to the Antrim Creek Natural Area, and,

WHEREAS, the improvements named in the implementation plan of the Comprehensive Recreation Plan and thus also in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Application are necessary to provide better recreational amenities, increased access, and to comply with the provisions of the American Disabilities Act (ADA), and

WHEREAS, the proposed informational arbors would provide for increased educational experience and natural heritage of the area and the history that shows the excellent care that was taken of the Natural Area in past history, and

WHEREAS, due to budgetary constraints, the County of Antrim does not currently have the ability to finance these capital improvements, without additional funding;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorizes a grant application for funding through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund program for the aforementioned improvement to the Antrim Creek Natural Area in West Banks Township, Sections 11 & 14, T32N, R9W, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners agrees to accept the grant if awarded, and will provide a local match of twenty-five (25% percent in the amount of \$13,861.25.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #26-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #27-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND (MNRTF) TO ACQUIRE PARK LANDS FOR INCLUSION IN THE GRASS RIVER NATURAL AREA

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopted the County of Antrim Comprehensive Recreation Plan on February 10, 2000, and

WHEREAS, acquisitions named in the Comprehensive Recreation Plan and in the Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Application are necessary for protection of the environment and to provide for the recreation needs of the public, and

WHEREAS, due to budgetary constraints, Antrim County does not currently have the ability to finance these acquisitions without additional funding;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorizes the grant application for funding through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for the above mentioned acquisitions at the Grass River Natural Area, in Forest Home, Custer, and/or Helena Townships.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners agrees to accept the grant, if awarded, and will provide a local match of twenty-five (25%), as required.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #27-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Alexis Kaczynski updated the Board on the North Country Community Mental Health.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the Chairman sign the Settlement Agreement between the State Bureau of Construction Codes and the County of Antrim. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Construction Code Enforcement Department hire a full time plumbing inspector and a full time building inspector and the expenditures of the Construction Code Enforcement Fund be increased to reflect these additions. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:20 p.m. and reconvened at 1:15 p.m.

P.M.

The Chairman of the Administration Committee reported that Gayle Rider had been hired as Secretary in the MSU Extension Department which would leave the other secretary position vacant. The Administration Committee will proceed to fill that position.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that computers and other related equipment which would bring the Abstract Department to a level to accommodate the technology changes made in the Register of Deeds office be purchased from the Register of Deeds Automation Fund. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Abstract Department charge \$5.00 for a search effective immediately and the 2004 General Fund budget be amended to reflect this change. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent - None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the full time position in the County Clerk's be reinstated and the part time position be eliminated. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #28-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, county governments are subdivisions of the state government and are required to finance or carry out state mandates in many areas, including public and mental health, disease control, substance abuse, courts jails, detention of juvenile delinquents and care of abused and neglected youth, equalization of assessments, maintenance of vital records, prosecution of crimes, and oversight of elections; and

Resolution #28-04 – continued

WHEREAS, the provision of these mandated services constitute the vast majority of county services; and

WHEREAS, the demand for most mandated county services arises from the circumstances of poverty and crime, which directly affect the quality of life for county residents; and,

WHEREAS, funding for these services comes in great part from state-shared revenues; and,

WHEREAS, cities, villages, and townships have constitutional protection for a portion of their revenue sharing while counties do not; and,

WHEREAS, constitutional limits on the growth of property tax revenues decreases in state shared revenues, and statutory limits on the generation of fees and charges are significantly limiting the ability of county governments to provide these services; and,

WHEREAS, the Representatives in the House have introduced a proposed constitutional amendment, House Joint Resolution Y, to protect a portion of state revenue sharing for counties by ensuring that counties would get 5% of the first 4 cents of sales tax constitutionally; and,

WHEREAS, County Boards of Commissioners under House Joint Resolution 7 would then have the same abilities to serve the citizens of the state as do city councils, township boards and village councils.

THERE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners supports the State Legislators efforts to provide the same constitutional guarantees of state revenue sharing to counties as is afforded to cities, townships, and villages;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners recommends that the Michigan Association of Counties, the Governor and the State Legislature support the proposed constitutional amendment House Joint Resolution 7 which will ensure the citizens of Michigan receive stable funding of state mandated and state constitutional services appropriated to their needs.

Resolution #18-04 – continued

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #28-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #29-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS Antrim County receives funding for transportation from the State of Michigan through Act 51 of 1951; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently released new non-attainment designations using the eight-hour standard which impacts Northwest Michigan; and

WHEREAS, both ridesharing and public transit provide an alternative to single occupant vehicles and help relieve traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the public transit systems are currently under funded with the existing budget and the diversion of the vehicle related sales tax from the Comprehensive Transportation Fund would exacerbate the difficulty in providing public transit services necessary to provide both a lifeline to the elderly, handicapped and low income residents and providing transportation choices to help retain the creative class who are choice riders; and

WHEREAS, reducing funding of a low cost program like ridesharing and public transit limits the transportation choices for Michigan's residents and jeopardizes the expansion of the economy. The reductions also do not provide the lifeline services that ensure the access to health and quality of life services for the transit-dependent. Reductions of this type are not in the best interest for the State and its residents, businesses or economy; and

WHEREAS, state public transportation funding provides the necessary match for federal capital funds and the proposed reduction seriously compromises the State's ability to match federal transit funding

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes Senate Bill 1081 and Senate Bill 1103; and

Resolution #29-04 – continued

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners directs the County Clerk to forward copies of this resolution to the State Legislators for the District and the remaining 82 counties in Michigan.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #29-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Administration Committee reported that it would be reconvening the investigation of the Construction Code Department issue which began May 14, 2004.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the annuity in lieu of health benefits for the County Commissioners be changed as follows:

- *Annuity for not taking the hospitalization (basic) insurance \$ 406.50 **
- *Annuity for not taking the prescription coverage (rounded down) 40.00
- *Annuity for not taking the dental coverage (rounded down) 20.00

**A two-person premium \$813.00 divided by 2 = \$406.50

At the request of Commissioner Bargy, the above motion was tabled until August.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Steve Nevers be hired for the vacant Custodian/Maintenance position and that if he is unable to accept the position, James Huffman and Alan Knight be considered second and third respectively. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Construction Code Board of Appeals consist of eight (8) members as follows:

- 1 architect or engineer
- 1 builder
- 1 electrical
- 1 plumber
- 1 mechanical
- 1 fire protection
- 1 County Commissioner
- 1 at large

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Chairman sign the Antrim County Child Care Agreement with the Michigan Family Independence Agency (Child and Family Services) for the fiscal year October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the rent at the Meadowview Apartments be raised by \$17 to \$439/mo. for the smaller apartments and by \$20 to \$512/mo. for the larger apartments effective January 1, 2005 with at least 30-day notice with the exception of the tenants who are currently in a one year lease in which case the rent will increase at the end of the lease. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek that ten (10) cooking stoves be purchased for the apartments at Meadowview Apartments at a total cost not to exceed \$3,000 and the Meadowview Fund budget expenditures be increased by this amount. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Stanek the Chairman and County Clerk be authorized to sign a grant application for \$145,912 for a 2004 Homeland Security Grant. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore a system recorder for the Dispatch Center be purchased from DSS Corporation for \$24, 978 out of the Wireless Fund and the expenditure budget of the Wireless Fund be increased by \$24,978. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore that three computers and associated equipment be purchased for the Dispatch Center from Verizon for \$29,060.92 out of the Wireless Fund and the expenditure budget of the Wireless Fund be increased by \$29,060.92. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore that the lien compliancy equipment be purchased for \$16,040 from the Wireless Fund and the expenditure budget of the Wireless Fund be increased by \$16,040. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the Township Ambulance Authority be permitted to consider Antrim County property currently containing the Animal Shelter and Little League ball fields as the primary location for a proposed ambulance barn and they proceed with engineering studies for the site and stake out possible locations for the "barn" in conjunction with the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Equalization Director and Antrim Conservation District examine the tax foreclosure list yearly for any properties that may be of interest to the County and report to the CLAF Committee. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen that Mike Meriwether enter into negotiations with Mark Sevald for purchase of approximately 50 acres of commercial forest reserve land in Section 14 of Forest Home Township at a price not to exceed \$2,000 per acre with the conditions that Antrim County retain outright ownership of the property, the funds for purchase be paid from the Forestry Fund, and Forest Home Township use the county's purchase amount as a cash match for a potential Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant application for acquisition of adjoining properties. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that Springfield Construction repair and replace the damaged shingle area on the Airport Terminal Building for \$750.00 and tie in to the Duro Last roof for \$1,250.00 to be paid from the Airport budget. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that Mihm Enterprises recondition and seal the gutters on the 1905 Courthouse at a cost of \$16,375.00 provided it includes application of a rust inhibitor and paint and the expenditure budget of Fund #470 (Capital Projects) be increased by \$16,375.00. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that any increased expenditures of the Construction Code Enforcement Fund (Fund #249) over the next nine months be covered by an advance from the Self Insured Reserve Fund (Fund #105). Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the Airport Director apply to the FAA (Bureau of Aeronautics) for a grant for fencing at the Airport. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the Chairman be authorized to sign the Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Engineering Service with Peckham Engineering Inc. for services concerning Project No. B26-0011-1204 of Contract No. FM 05-01-C37 (Fencing Phase I). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod that the proposed five-year development plan (2005-2009) for the Antrim County Airport be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Barga the following budget adjustments be approved:

	Increase	Decrease
GENERAL FUND		
<u>Revenue</u>		
From Taxes	-0-	
From Licenses & Permits	-0-	
From Other Agencies	200	
From Current Services	8,000	
From Other Sources	1,700	
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Commissioners – legal	5,000	
Secondary Roads – fringes	1,300	
Animal Control – electric	1,500	
Dams – cont. serv.	500	
Health – autopsies	6,000	
 SELF INSURED RESERVE FUND		
Revenue – from Fund 253	10,100	
 GAS & OIL ROYALTIES FUND		
Revenue – royalties	3,000	
 PROSECUTING ATTORNEY LEGAL FUND		
Expenditures – cont. serv.	7,000	

Budget adjustments – continued

ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS FUND

Expenditures – equipment	10,700
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ROAD PATROL FUND

Expenditures – fringes	3,000
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EMS SUPPLEMENTAL PLANNING GRANT FUND

Revenue	10,500
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Expenditures	10,500
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REGISTER OF DEEDS AUTOMATION FUND

Revenue – recording fees	8,000
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HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX

Revenue – penalties & interest	15,500
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2003 EMERGENCY SERVICES EXERCISE GRANT

Revenue -	1,000
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LOCAL CORRECTIONS OFFICERS TRAINING FUND

Revenue – booking fees	5,200
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- interest	100
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Expenditures – training	3,000
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EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT FUND

Revenue	6,500
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Expenditures	6,000
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EMERGENCY SERVICES – SAP GRANT

Revenue	5,000
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Expenditures	5,000
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CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

Expenditures – Animal Shelter	14,000
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Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that, concerning the Public Information request from Robert Widmer, the cost be reduced to \$300 of which there is a remainder of \$205 for Mr. Widmer to pay. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Jim Gurr commented on the Farmland Preservation Ordinance, the good points and shortcomings of democracy, the importance of keeping local government local and expressed caution on actions that fostered transfer of private property to public property. Ed Martel expressed questions about providing services and indicated there should be a county level forum to determine what services should be offered.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the LEPC chairman be authorized to sign the Local Emergency Plan Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant for determined plans for contaminated sites. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the minutes of July 8, 2004 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the Sheriff purchase a boat motor for \$10,200 (includes installation labor), \$10,200 be transferred from Capital Outlay Reserve Fund to the General Fund (Capital Outlay), and the budgets of both Funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$97,979.69 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Administration Committee chairman reported that an Administration Committee meeting had been held at which Arlen Turner was present and the Construction Code Enforcement matter was addressed. It was decided that action be deferred until after August 24 at which time the Judge would determine the status of the court case involving Mr. Turner.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek current standards for purchase of Stand-alone Personal and Power Stand-alone Personal be determined as recommended by the Administration Committee. (See pp 38-39). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as

follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the Probate Court hire a temporary part-time employee to replace an employee on leave and that additional hours be allowed for current employees not to exceed the budgeted amount for the deputy register until such time as the deputy Register returns from FMLA leave. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the policy for hiring of temporary employees in the event a full time employee is on leave as designated in the policy be approved. (See p. 40). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the policy for appointment to commissions, boards, and committees (see p. 41) and the Interest Notification Form be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman appointed the following to the Construction Code Board of Appeals:

Michael Crawford	Board of Commissioners	2-year term
Ordon Hierlihy	Building Trades position	3-yr term
David Watrous	Electrical	3-yr term

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the appointments to the Construction Code Board of Appeals of Michael Crawford, term to expire December 31, 2005, and Ordon Hierlihy and David Watrous, terms to expire December 31, 2006 be approved and the Chairman be authorized to make the additional mechanical trade and plumbing trade appointments. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Alvin McShane be hired in the full time plumbing inspector position in the Construction Code Enforcement Department. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the position of Building Inspector in the Construction Code Enforcement Department be offered to Melvin Grandy and, in the event Mr. Grandy does not accept, to Mike McPherson. Motion

carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford Pamela Luce be hired as MSU Extension Secretary and, in the event Ms. Luce does not accept the position, Gloria Campbell be hired. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes- McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the erosion at the bridge and boardwalks and the end of the North Access Road at the Antrim Creek Natural Area be fixed at a cost of \$292.50 and the Antrim Creek Fund budget be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson that Chain O' Lakes Internet be approved as the county internet access provider. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson that Netlink Business Solutions be hired for internet access setup, firewall, and router/bridge configuration and Sky Telecom be hired for wiring. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman Mihm Enterprises be paid \$50,135.00 for half of the work on the '05 Courthouse roof. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Crawford the additional cost of \$8,172 for re-roofing the '05 Courthouse be approved and the budget of Fund #470 be amended accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the following Antrim Conservation District Millage Proposal be presented to the electorate at the November 2, 2004 General Election:

Antrim Conservation District Millage Proposal

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Antrim County, Michigan, imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for said County by up to sixteenth hundredths (.16) mil (\$.16 per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the county) for two (2) years

2004 through 2005 inclusive, for the purpose of continuing services and the general operations of the Antrim Conservation District? It is estimated that the .16 mill would raise approximately \$217,381 when first levied in 2004. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Allen; No – Stanek, Blackmore; Absent – None.

Janet Person announced that September 15, 2004 would be the Conservation Tour.

Walter Franczek who is retiring from the North Community Health Agency thanked the Commissioners for their support and good wishes over the past 34 years.

RESOLUTION #30-04 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Joseph Allen

WHEREAS, Antrim County is interested in continuing effort to provide affordable housing opportunities for its low and very low-income residents, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is interested in applying for a Homebuyer/Purchase/Rehabilitation, (HPR) Grant, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners accepts the recommendation of Housing Director, Patricia J. Lowery, to apply for funding in the amount of up to \$256,000; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Elected Official to sign said application forms as required;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorizes Patricia J. Lowery to prepare and submit the application for funding through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority’s Housing Resource Fund.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #30-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #31-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, THAT THE Antrim County Board of Commissioners, Antrim County, Michigan, does hereby accept the term of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide Fifty-four thousand, three hundred, eighty-five dollars (\$54,385.00) to match the grant authorized by the Department.
2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the DEPARTMENT for auditing at reasonable times.
3. To construct the project and provide such funds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #31-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the payment of \$13,300 to Peckham Engineering for services during construction of the fencing at the Airport be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #32-04 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by David Howelman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the proposed Contract submitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack White, Chairman, and Laura Sexton, County Clerk, be authorized and directed to execute Contract No. 2004-0479, Federal Project No.B-26-0011-1204, for and on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #32-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Board expressed appreciation to Howard Yamaguchi and Valerie Craft from the Coordinator/Planner's office for staying past midnight in the County Clerk's office on election night so the returns could be immediately posted on the Antrim County website.

The Area on Aging Annual Report was postponed until the September meeting.

Robert McLeod re-introduced the matter of paying increased annuity for Commissioners in lieu of health insurance.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the following increase in annuity in lieu of health insurance for County Commissioners be adopted:

- * increase the annuity in lieu of health benefits to 50% of the two person premium for the health (basic) insurance (based on the capped premium amount,
- * increase the annuity in lieu of health benefits to 10% of the premium for those who do not subscribe to the prescription plan (rounded to the lowest second digit), and
- * increase the annuity in lieu of health benefits to 5% of the premium for those who do not subscribe to the dental plan (rounded to the lowest second digit).

Motion FAILED by a ye and nay vote as follows: No – Dawson, Barga, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; Yes – McLeod, Crawford; Absent – None.

The Chairman announced lunch at the Antrim County Fair at Craven Park.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on the Great Lakes water diversion issue and also asserted that the Antrim Conservation District was using the Soil Erosion Enforcement Contract to enter private property for other reasons. Joe Lang, Bellaire Village Planning Commission, and Butch Dewey, Bellaire Village Council, encouraged acceptance of the contract involving the walking path. Christopher Morris informed that he thought a private property owner at Six Mile Lake was offering part of Antrim County property for sale as part of his property. Russ Blaisdell, Bellaire Conservation Club, spoke on the modification of the "shooting" Ordinance. Public Comment closed at 9:25 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Bargy the minutes of Thursday, August 12, 2004 be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Under unfinished business, Michael Crawford requested revisiting the Commissioner compensation question and presented a proposal (see page).

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the proposal for changes in salaries and fringes for members of the Board of Commissioners be accepted.

At the request of David Howelman, the above motion was set aside for consideration at the October 14, 2004 meeting.

The Chairman appointed the following ad hoc committee to consider the proposal for changes in Commissioner compensation:

Bernard Blackmore, Chairman
David Howelman
Eugene Dawson.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the appointment of the ad hoc committee for consideration of the proposal for changes in Commissioner compensation be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Easement Agreement between Antrim County and the Village of Bellaire for a walking path on Antrim County property located in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 30, T30N, R7W be amended to read that the agreement be in effect for 50 years. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as

follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the Antrim County Construction Code Enforcement fee schedule (see page) be adopted effective at such time the Construction Code Enforcement Department’s authority to issue permits is reinstated. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the millage for 2004 be set as follows:

Commission on Aging	0.3734 mill
Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility	0.7203
Antrim County operating	5.0437

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the expenditure budget for Fund #470 for renovations to the 1905 Courthouse roof be increased by \$6,204 to cover overages in costs. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that 76 fire rings be purchased for Barnes Park for \$7,090 and \$7,090 be transferred from Contingencies to Parks in the 2004 General Fund budget, and the Coordinator/Planner’s office be directed to apply immediately for a grant from Michigan Municipal Risk to pay for half of the cost of the fire rings. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$88,851.49 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$10,000 be allocated for acquisition of a computer high-speed internet access project for the county campus, that \$10,000 be transferred from Contingencies to Computer in the General Fund budget, and that expenditures for this project be approved by the Coordinator/Planner’s office. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Greg Piaskowski gave the Area Agency on Aging 2004 Annual Report.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the Coordinator/Planner be authorized to apply for and sign for a \$33,582 supplemental grant for Remonumentation. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Coordinator/Planner reported that, in regard to the Construction Code Board of Appeals appointments made at the August meeting, Mr. Crawford as a County Commissioner is not eligible to serve on the Board, and there is no provision for a citizen at large position on the Board. It was determined Edgar Boettcher would serve as a member from the building trades and the positions on the Construction Code Board of Appeals would be as follows:

- 1 Engineer
- 1 Mechanical Trade
- 1 Electrical Trade
- 1 Plumbing Trade
- 3 Building Trade

The Chairman appointed Michael McPherson to the Construction Code Board of Appeals.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the appointment of Michael McPherson to the Construction Code Board of Appeals, term to expire 12/31/2006, be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that adjustments to the Construction Code Board of Appeals be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The matter of the amendment to Privacy Policy adopted December 11, 2003 was tabled until the October meeting.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the position of part-time nurse be created in the Commission on Aging on a contractual basis providing it can be paid for with the current revenues of the Commission on Aging. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the employment of Arlen Turner, Construction Code Building Official, be terminated effective immediately. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen that all employees that were scheduled to work on Friday, August 27, 2004 when the employees were sent home due to a power outage be paid for the entire day, and that this decision be considered a one-time matter with no precedent being established, and that the Administration Committee formulate a policy to cover situations of this kind. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman announced Allen Luurtsema had resigned from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The Chairman appointed Mary Kay McDuffie to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the appointment of Mary Kay McDuffie to the Parks and Recreation Commission, term to expire January 1, 2008, be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Bary that the amendment (see page) to Ordinance #1 of 2003, Sport Target Shooting Ordinance, be adopted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bary, seconded by McLeod the animal control fee schedule (see page) be adopted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that \$2,000 be transferred from the Solid Waste Reserve Fund to the General Fund (Resource Recovery cost center) to cover additional expense of the Household Hazardous Waste day and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Bary, seconded by Howelman the Chairman be authorized to sign a contract with Dr. David Wilcox for services to inmates at the Jail. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that \$670.00 be spent from Special Project cost center for a survey of the county-owned area at Six Mile Lake adjacent to the Bouwens property. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod,

Dawson, Bargy, Allen, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #33-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan under the “Michigan Construction Code Act” P.A. 230 of 1972, requires that each county establish an administering and enforcing agency for that act, and

WHEREAS, authority for implementing the “Michigan Building Code”, the “Michigan Electrical Code”, the “Michigan Plumbing Code” and the “Michigan Mechanical Code” are all contained with the act, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners has adopted separate resolutions to establish the enforcement of the above mentioned codes on an individual basis throughout the years, beginning in 1972, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners recognizes its responsibility to designate an administering and enforcing agency in regard to the act, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners desires to continue enforcement of the above mentioned codes UNDER ONE UNIFYING RESOLUTION,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners designates the Antrim County Construction Code Enforcement Department as the county enforcing agency responsible for the administration and enforcement of the “Michigan Construction Code Act”, P.A. 230 of 1972, with all various amendments including the 2003 Michigan Residential Code Update, for Antrim County.

Resolution #33-04 – continued

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #33-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The meeting adjourned at 11: 15 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargo, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

Absent: None.

The Chairman requested Public Comment: Janet Person reported on the "spook trail" fundraiser at Barnes Park which raised \$716.00 for the county and the Household Hazardous Waste Day which handled 14,000 pounds of hazardous waste. Ed Martel spoke about the Construction Code Enforcement Department and occupancy permits.

Judy Martin announced the dedication of the Serenity Suite from 2-4 on Sunday, October 17 and the Halloween open house for all youngsters on October 30 from 6-7:30. James Ruster of Ellsworth commented on the use of the Antrim Conservation District truck for personal use.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the minutes of September 9, 2004 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the Construction Code Enforcement Department enter into a 2-year contract with All-Tel for cell phones for the building inspectors and that the Construction Code 2004 budget for cell phones be increased by \$500.00 for expense of November and December, 2004. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – Crawford; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod Fund #236, Parks Fundraisers Fund, be created and the proceeds from the "spook trail" fundraiser be deposited into this fund. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo that carpeting be replaced in the Family Independence Agency area of the County Building and other areas as funds allow up to \$20,000 to be paid from Fund #470 and the budget of Fund #470 be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the bid from Moon Electric for a total of \$6,977.28 for installation of heat tape in the gutters, downspouts, and eaves of the 1905 Courthouse be accepted and the expenditure budget of Fund #470 be increased by \$6,978.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargo the quote from Springfield Construction for \$8,408 to replace the roof over the exercise room at the Jail be accepted.

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the bid from Bert's Excavating for snowplowing for two years at a cost of \$12,700 per year be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bary the claims and accounts totaling \$127,340.43 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the funds be restored for the vacant dispatcher position at the Jail and the Sheriff fill the position. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman appointed Michael Paradis to the Family Independence Agency Board.

It was moved by Bary, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Michael Paradis to the Family Independence Agency Board, term to expire October 1, 2007 be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – McLeod; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson Robert Massey's job title be changed from Interim Building Department Director to Building Department Director. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #34-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, the programs of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) are funded by a combination of federal funds, the state general fund, and several state restricted funds; and,

WHEREAS, the state restricted funds are funded primarily through user fees, permits, and licenses, and are intended to be expended for the support of related programs; and,

WHEREAS, there is concern on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners that state budget problems could lead to diversion of MDNR restricted funds for the purpose of balancing the state budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners desires to constitutionally protect the state restricted funds to ensure that the user fees, permit and licenses fees are spent only on related natural resource programs; and,

WHEREAS, House Bill 5870 and House Joint Resolution Z, as passed by the Michigan House of Representatives on July 14, 2004, propose the creation of the Michigan Conservation and Recreation Legacy Fund, the Michigan Game and Fish Protection Trust Fund, and the Non-game Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund to protect these funds and ensure their use only for related natural resource programs;

NOW THERE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its support for the provisions of House Bill 5870 and House Joint Resolution Z; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Clerk be directed to send copies of this Resolution to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, Representative Ken Bradstreet, the Michigan Association of Counties, and all County Clerks in the State of Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #34-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the following policy be approved:

The Chairman of the Board of Commissioners shall sign basic contracts with Area Agency on Aging (AAA) along with amendments, lease agreements, and any contract over \$5,000. The Chairman of the Commission on Aging Board, or the Director, shall have authority to sign all other contracts or agreements.

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that funds for the vacant Deputy Register position in the Probate Court be restored and the position be filled. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the health benefits for County Commissioners be capped at 2004 rates. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the yearly salary of each County Commissioner be increased by \$40 per month to \$4,880 for the Chairman and \$4,080 for the members. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Bargy, White,

Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Dawson, Stanek; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman that Maria Raviele be granted permission to conduct a pollen core study at the Antrim Creek Natural Area in late October, 2004. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson a sign to read “No Parking in Turn-Around Loop” be purchased for Antrim Creek Natural Area at a cost not to exceed \$200.00 to be paid from the Antrim Creek Fund. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The tabled motion concerning Commissioners’ compensation from the September 9, 2004 meeting was withdrawn.

The Chairman convened the Public Hearing for the 2005 General Fund budget. There was no public input.

RESOLUTION #35-04 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Robert McLeod

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners sets the millage rate of 5.0437 for General Operating, 0.3734 for Commission on Aging, and 0.7203 for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility for 2004, and

BE IT ALSO HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following General Fund budget for 2005:

Beginning Fund Balance 1/1/2005		\$ 1,000,000.00
REVENUE		
Taxes	\$ 7,379,612.00	
Licenses & Permits	154,100.00	
Other Agencies	851,077.00	
Current Services	1,341,435.00	
Other Sources	<u>725,210.00</u>	\$ <u>10,451,434.00</u>
TOTAL		\$ 11,451,434.00
EXPENDITURES		
Commissioners	105,050.00	
Circuit Court	345,920.00	
Family Division – Circuit Court	405,579.00	
Circuit Court Probation	800.00	
District Court	515,207.00	
Friend of the Court	70,000.00	
Probate Court	216,213.00	
Jury Commission	5,750.00	
Budget/Accounting Services	53,922.00	

County Clerk	190,154.00	
Communications	140,250.00	
Computer	166,100.00	
Pros. Atty. – Victims Rights	50,188.00	
P.A. Child Support/IV-D	50,936.00	
Purchasing	39,563.00	
Microfilm	16,050.00	
County Treasurer	176,661.00	
Equalization	148,518.00	
MSU Extension	96,143.00	
Elections	17,300.00	
Grove St. Annex	13,500.00	
'05 Courthouse	79,488.00	
Buildings & Grounds	267,379.00	
Prosecuting Attorney	295,392.00	
Register of Deeds	137,117.00	
Plat Board	250.00	
Drain Commissioner	9,901.00	
Abstract	82,111.00	
Survey & Remonumentation	30,000.00	
Airport	310,954.00	
Sheriff	1,320,637.00	
Marine	81,150.00	
Secondary Roads	136,726.00	
Jail	332,162.00	
Emergency Services	41,512.00	
Animal Control	101,651.00	
Dams	5,550.00	
Health	446,813.00	
Welfare	403,120.00	
Veterans Affairs	57,603.00	
Resource Recovery	25,550.00	
Planning Commission	23,250.00	
Planning/Coordinator	154,903.00	
Economic Development Comm.	3,500.00	
Parks Commission	7,250.00	
Parks	171,436.00	
Parks – Elk Rapids	8,952.00	
Insurance & Bonds	313,900.00	
Fringe Benefits	1,814,300.00	
Special Projects – Other	375,000.00	
Capital Outlay	88,449.00	
Appropriations	<u>690,773.00</u>	\$ 10,640,583.00
Ending Fund Balance 12/31/2005		<u>810,851.00</u>
TOTAL		\$ 11,451,434.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopted the following policies for implementation of the 2005 General Fund budget:

1. That any increase in Total Receipts or Total Expenditures shall be approved in advance by Resolution of the Board of Commissioners.
2. That the Chief Administrative Officer for 2005 shall be the County Clerk.
3. That over-expenditure of the total budget of any General Fund Cost Center must be approved in advance by the Board of Commissioners.
4. That any position or supplement adopted for 2005 and not covered elsewhere by a Union agreement which is reimbursed by grants or other monies from an outside unit may be terminated if the grant and/or other reimbursements are discontinued.
5. That, if any position should become vacant any time after November, 2004, the position shall immediately and automatically be deleted from the 2005 budget of the Cost Center involved and the monies shall be transferred to contingencies, until such time as the position may be reinstated by the Board of Commissioners or its designated representative and a new wage or salary set.
6. That no budgeted capital outlay purchase may be made without making prior request to the Finance Committee at the time of contemplated purchase. The purchase price of any capital outlay item must be approved in advance by the Finance Committee. Any capital purchase over \$1,500 must be approved in advance by the Board of Commissioners. The County Clerk will determine as to whether an item is a capital matter or not if the question arises. Capital items cannot be purchased from any Cost Center other than Capital Outlay (901) unless specifically budgeted in that Cost Center.
7. That the County Clerk is authorized to make transfers between line items (excluding salaries, wages, overtime, training, capital outlay, and specific appropriations) of up to \$500 showing that the Cost Center's total budget will not at any time during the budget year be increased as a result of the transfer.
8. That any question concerning assignment of account to any purchase will be decided by the County Clerk .

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
 No - None;
 Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #35-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the 2005 budgets of the following funds be approved:

SELF INSURED RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		\$	356,000.00
Revenue	6,000.00		
Expenditures	-0-		
Ending Fund Balance			362,000.00

SOLID WASTE RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		108,900.00
Revenue	2,000.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		110,900.00
VICTIMS' RIGHTS RESERVE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		7,800.00
Revenue	150.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		7,950.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY RESERVE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		58,600.00
Revenue	2,500.00	
Expenditures	5,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		56,100.00
DAMS RESERVE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		602,600.00
Revenue	10,000.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		612,600.00
GAS & OIL ROYALTIES RESERVE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		18,500.00
Revenue	1,875.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		20,375.00
BARNES PARK GRANT RESERVE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		14,439.00
Revenue	250.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		14,689.00
GRANT MATCH RESERVE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		83,800.00
Revenue	1,500.00	
Expenditures	34,635.00	
Ending Fund Balance		50,665.00
AIRPORT – GRANT MATCH FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		22,950.00
Revenue	50.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		23,000.00

FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		-0-
Revenue	2,100.00	
Expenditures	2,100.00	
Ending Fund Balance		-0-

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY LEGAL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		1,000.00
Revenue	150.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		150.00

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUNDS – DAMS

Beginning Fund Balance		38,800.00
Revenue	700.00	
Expenditures	200.00	
Ending Fund Balance		39,300.00

GRASS RIVER FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		3,000.00
Revenue	238,850.00	
Expenditures	238,700.00	
Ending Fund Balance		3,150.00

ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		8,200.00
Revenue	12,600.00	
Expenditures	12,600.00	
Ending Fund Balance		8,200.00

FORESTRY FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		138,000.00
Revenue	42,200.00	
Expenditures	52,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		128,200.00

ANTRIM CREEK FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		60,000.00
Revenue	6,400.00	
Expenditures	5,880.00	
Ending Fund Balance		60,520.00

PUBLIC ACCESS BOOK FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		15.00
Revenue	1,510.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		525.00

WETZEL LAKE OPERATING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		2,000.00
Revenue	2,000.00	
Expenditures	1,500.00	
Ending Fund Balance		2,500.00

GIS IMPLEMENTATION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		32,120.00
Revenue	3,500.00	
Expenditures	9,200.00	
Ending Fund Balance		26,420.00

EDC REVOLVING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		2,525.00
Revenue	50.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		2,575.00

CONSTRUCTION CODE ENFORCEMENT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		20,000.00
Revenue	736,471.00	
Expenditures	643,672.00	
Ending Fund Balance		112,799.00

ROAD PATROL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		4,000.00
Revenue	440,433.00	
Expenditures	440,433.00	
Ending Fund Balance		4,000.00

2002 EMS SUPP. PLANNING GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		1.00
Revenue	1,000.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		1.00

2003 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		1.00
Revenue	2,000.00	
Expenditures	2,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		1.00

HOMESTEAD PROP. TAX EXEMPTION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance		30,000.00
Revenue	30.00	
Expenditures	1,500.00	

Ending Fund Balance		28,530.00
REGISTER OF DEEDS AUTOMATION FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		131,800.00
Revenue	126,000.00	
Expenditures	126,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		131,800.00
BUDGET STABILIZATION FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		557,500.00
Revenue	9,300.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		566,800.00
2003 EMERG. SERV. EXERCISE GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		1.00
Revenue	1,000.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		1.00
911 TRAINING FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		9,800.00
Revenue	4,100.00	
Expenditures	4,100.00	
Ending Fund Balance		9,800.00
911 OPERATING FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		650,000.00
Revenue	639,300.00	
Expenditures	640,887.00	
Ending Fund Balance		648,413.00
911 WIRELESS FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		100,000.00
Revenue	90,100.00	
Expenditures	90,100.00	
Ending Fund Balance		100,000.00
DRIVING INTOXICATED (257.625n) FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		8.00
Revenue	1.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		9.00
LOCAL CORRECTION OFFICERS' TRAINING FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		4,800.00
Revenue	4,565.00	

Expenditures	500.00	
Ending Fund Balance		8,865.00
ANTRIM COUNTY K-9 FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		1,000.00
Revenue	25.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		25.00
JAIL INMATE PROCEEDS FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		300.00
Revenue	5,800.00	
Expenditures	5,800.00	
Ending Fund Balance		300.00
LAW LIBRARY FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		6,000.00
Revenue	22,650.00	
Expenditures	20,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		8,650.00
2003 EMERG. SERV. TRAINING GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		1.00
Revenue	1,000.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		1.00
EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT 2002 FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		20.00
Revenue	1,000.00	
Expenditures	100.00	
Ending Fund Balance		920.00
HOUSING PROJECT INCOME FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		10,000.00
Revenue	51,000.00	
Expenditures	50,000.00	11,000.00
A.C. HOUSING 03/04/GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		1.00
Revenue	50,000.00	
Expenditures	50,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		1.00
SNOWMOBILE GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		5,000.00
Revenue	25,000.00	

Expenditures	28,050.00	
Ending Fund Balance		1,950.00
CLEAN LAKES GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		6,500.00
Revenue	100.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		6,600.00
HOUSING PROJECTS (FROM COMMON) FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		-0-
Revenue	1,050.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		50.00
EMERG. SERV. – S.A.P. GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		1.00
Revenue	10.00	
Expenditures	10.00	
Ending Fund Balance		1.00
MICHIGAN JUSTICE TRAINING FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		2,500.00
Revenue	3,200.00	
Expenditures	3,200.00	
Ending Fund Balance		2,500.00
PROBATE GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		1.00
Revenue	100.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		101.00
EMERG. SERV. LEPC GRANT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		900.00
Revenue	100.00	
Expenditures	100.00	
Ending Fund Balance		900.00
HOUSING – HOME REHAB 2001 FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		5,000.00
Revenue	-0-	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		5,000.00
CHILD CARE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		20,000.00
Revenue	641,500.00	

Expenditures	541,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		120,500.00
VETERANS RELIEF FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		3,000.00
Revenue	40,000.00	
Expenditures	40,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		3,000.00
VETERANS TRUST FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		400.00
Revenue	5,000.00	
Expenditures	5,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		400.00
MEADOWVIEW SENIOR HOUSING FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		92,600.00
Revenue	115,610.00	
Expenditures	118,524.00	
Ending Fund Balance		89,686.00
'05 COURTHOUSE DEBT RETIREMENT FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		9,800.00
Revenue	100.00	
Expenditures	-0-	
Ending Fund Balance		9,900.00
ELK RAPIDS FISHING PARK FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		7,200.00
Revenue	100.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		6,300.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS – CO. BLDGS. FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		338,000.00
Revenue	15,000.00	
Expenditures	70,000.00	
Ending Fund Balance		283,000.00
ELK RAPIDS HYDRO UTILITY SYSTEM FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance		110,900.00
Revenue	101,300.00	
Expenditures	71,750.00	
Ending Fund Balance		140,450.00

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Construction Code Department Management Oversight Plan (see pp) prepared for submittal to the Bureau of Construction Codes and Fire Safety be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid from Artec Interiors, Inc. for \$7,875.00 for repair of the damage caused by the falling of the clock weights at the '05 Courthouse be accepted and Fund #470 be adjusted to reflect this expense. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION 36-04 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Robert McLeod

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the bid for \$249,279.90 for the fence project at the Antrim County Airport be awarded to National Fence & Supply Company, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign the contract with National Fence & Supply Company for the fence project at the Antrim County Airport.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #36-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Ed Martel spoke on his perception of the Antrim Conservation District going beyond it's authority in rendering soil erosion control decisions and other matters. Mike Crawford and Janet Person responded to his comments.

Robert McLeod left the meeting.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the Chairman sign an agreement with Chain of Lakes Internet pending approval by the Prosecuting Attorney. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

RESOLUTION #37-04 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, Antrim County, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Agreement for the Antrim County Barnes Park grant as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide **fifth-four thousand four hundred forty dollars (\$54,440.00)** to match the grant authorized by the DEPARTMENT, as follows:
 - * thirty-four thousand six hundred thirty-five dollars \$34,635.00 cash match.
 - * nineteen thousand, eight hundred five dollars (\$19,805.00) donated labor and materials.
2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the DEPARTMENT for auditing at reasonable times.
3. To construct the project and provide such finds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
 No - None;
 Absent – McLeod.

RESOLUTION #37-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Peter Garwood announced the resignation of Howard Yamaguchi, Associate Planner effective January 1, 2005.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the resignation of Howard Yamaguchi be accepted with extreme regret. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the funds for the soon to be vacant Associate Planner position be restored and the Coordinator/Planner be authorized to fill the position. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

Robert Englebrecht, Equalization Director, presented the 2004 Apportionment Report. (See pp)

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Crawford the 2004 Apportionment Report be accepted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the following 2004 budget adjustments be approved:

	Increase	Decrease
GENERAL FUND		
<u>Revenue</u>		
From Licenses & Permits	4,600	
From Other Agencies	28,805	

From Current Services	178,628	
From Other Sources		41,275
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Commissioners – legal	6,000	
Secondary Roads – fringes		25,000
Health – cremation fees	800	
Fringes		27,000
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY LEGAL FUND		
Expenditures – cont. serv.		2,000
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT – DAMS FUND		
Expenditures – cont. serv.		100
WETZEL LAKE OPERATING FUND		
Revenue – from fund raisers	400	
From donations	150	550
MASTER PLAN GRANT FUND		
Revenue – from grant		6,250
Expenditures – services	6,335	
STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT		
Expenditures – equipment		6,000
HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FUND		
Revenue		15,500
2003 EMERGENCY SERVICE EXERCISE GRANT		
Revenue		7,000
Expenditures		7,000
2003 EMERGENCY SERVICES TRAINING GRANT		
Expenditures		550
HOUSING PROJECTS (from common) FUND		
Revenue		16,309
Expenditures		20,000
EMERGENCY SERVICES – SAP GRANT		
Revenue		5,000
Expenditures		5,000
PROBATE GRANT FUND		
Revenue		1,715
Expenditures		4,600

EMERGENCY SERVICES LEPC FUND

Revenue

900

Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Eugene Dawson, Larry Barga, Jack White, David Howelman, Michael Crawford
Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

Absent: Robert McLeod.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on the budget cuts in the Antrim Conservation District, in particular the Soil Erosion Officer who was cut to 20 hours per week. He also commented on the Farmland preservation millages and their failure to pass. Public Comment closed at 9:10 a.m.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the minutes of October 14, 2004 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman \$500 be appropriated to the Antrim Coalition United Through Ecology for basic expenses contingent upon a similar positive response of financial assistance from Mancelona, Custer, and Kearney Townships, and Mancelona Village and the appropriation amount in the 2004 General Fund budget be increased by \$500. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

The matter of cutbacks in the Soil Erosion program administered by the Antrim Conservation District was referred to the Public Works Committee.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the bid from Mike's Glass for \$4,500 for replacement of the entrance doors to the Antrim County Airport Terminal Building be accepted provided the invoicing is done in 2005. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen the claims and accounts totaling \$93,840.44 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

RESOLUTION #38-04 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Laura Stanek

BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby gives their support for proposed Senate Bill 1385 which will allow intergovernmental contracts between local municipalities to form group self-insurance pools to provide joint or

cooperative action relative to their financial and administrative resources associated with providing risk management and coverage for pool members and their employees for health insurance and a variety of other insurance needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby instructed to forward copies of this resolution of support to Governor Granholm, Senator Allen, Representative Elsenheimer, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – McLeod.

RESOLUTION #38-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the County Treasurer's Commercial and Industrial Financial Hardship Deferral Policy (see pp) be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the 2004 budget allocation for \$3,900 for jury chairs for the Circuit Court be confirmed. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson \$11,757 plus the cost of designing and implementing a catch system for the weights as well as the rental of a bucket truck, be allocated for restoration of the clock at the 1905 Courthouse and the 2005 budget of the 1905 Courthouse be increased to cover this expense. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Stanek the Commission on Aging grant application through Blue Cross Blue Shield for a program to assist with the reduction of obesity among senior citizens in Antrim County be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

The matter of modification and implementation of the contract for soil erosion services with the Antrim Conservation District was referred back to the Public Works Committee.

Members of the 6th grade class of Ellsworth Community School gave a presentation on the conservation tour sponsored by MSU Extension.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the matter of a jail study to

determine space needs and expansion was referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee with the Chairman or Vice Chairman, the Sheriff and someone else of his choosing from the Sheriff Department, and the Coordinator/Planner. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman appointed Joseph Allen to serve on the Commercial and Industrial Financial Hardship Deferral Panel

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Joseph Allen to serve on the Commercial and Industrial Financial Hardship Deferral Panel be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

The Chairman requested the County Clerk to send an appreciation note to the Ellsworth Community School 6th grade class for their presentation.

Stan Moore, MSU Extension Director, gave a presentation on the tax shift affecting revenue sharing changes.

Sheri Rhodes from Northern Lakes Economic Alliance along with Eric Grandstaff and Chris Blough gave an update on NLEA projects including the Link NLEA project.

Robert Englebrecht, Equalization Director, gave the revised 2004 Equalization Report. (See pp)

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the revised 2004 Equalization Report be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – McLeod.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Robert McLeod, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman called for Public Comment. Ed Martel spoke on the need to reorganize the planning Commission to reflect divergent opinions.

Janet Person presented the Antrim Conservation District Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the Antrim Conservation District Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney, introduced Erin House who is working with the Prosecuting Attorney's office on services to victims of domestic violence under a state program.

RESOLUTION #39-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Family Independence Agency Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement (Contract #CSPA-05-05002) be and hereby is approved in its entirety (net budget amount - \$912,760.00; FIA contract amount - \$63,937.00); and

The Chairperson of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #39-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Mr. Koop reported on the lawsuit against the State on tax foreclosure. He also reported on the Banfield property litigation and on the progress with establishing property lines between county property and the Bouwens property on Six Mile Lake.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Stanek that Corey Hughes be retained to investigate the county's riparian rights with respect to a dock extending into the lake from the Bouwen's property at a cost not to exceed \$7,000 to be paid from the Special Projects Cost Center of the 2005 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Peter Garwood, Coordinator/Planner, distributed the proposed Internet Use Policy. The matter was tabled until the January meeting.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$86,187.00 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that \$15,000 be advanced from the General Fund to Commission on Aging. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that \$2,200 be transferred from Emergency Services (health insurance) to Capital Outlay in the 2004 General Fund budget for an electric opener for the Emergency Services gate in the Airport fence. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman a folder/insertor/sorter mailing system be purchased for the County Treasurer for not to exceed \$6,200 to be paid from Fund #255 and the expenditure budget of Fund #255 be increased by that amount. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that \$15,000 be transferred from Capital Outlay (Maintenance) to Capital Outlay (Animal Control), and Capital Outlay (Animal Control) be also increased by \$5,000 in the 2005 General Fund budget for purchase of a truck for Animal Control and the used Animal Control truck be transferred to Maintenance. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bary that one terminal in the Abstract Department be dedicated to directly access Register of Deeds information at a cost of

\$250 per month and \$3,000 be transferred from the Capital Outlay Reserve Fund to General Fund (Abstract Department computer support) and the budgets of both 2005 Funds be adjusted to reflect this change. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that the 2005 expenditure budget of the Construction Code Enforcement Fund be increased by \$1,400 to continue the employment of the temporary clerical employee through the end of January. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford that \$12,000 be appropriated from the Parks Cost Center of the 2004 General Fund budget to Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, for a surveyed site plan and needed pavement works for Barnes Park and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$2,000 be transferred from overtime to Stipend for the Court Reporter in the Family Division Cost Center of the 2005 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the remainder in the Internet Access Project line item of the Computer budget in the 2004 General Fund be transferred to Fund #221, Internet Access Project Fund and the funds of both budgets be adjusted to reflect this change. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the minutes of November 12, 2004 be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Commission on Aging	Mary Kokosky	term exp. 12/31/2005
	Don Schuiteman	term exp. 12/31/2005
	Edward Bradford	term exp. 12/31/2005
Board of Public Works	Adam Jankowski	term exp. 01/01/2007
	Leonard Klein	term exp. 01/01/2007
Construction Code Brd of Appeals	Edgar Boettcher	term exp. 12/31/2008
Road Commission	Jerome Dobrzelewski	term exp. 12/31/2010

Appointments – continued

Veterans’ Affairs Board	Allen Potter	term exp. 12/31/2007
Housing Commission	Marian Sterner	term exp. 01/01/2008
E-911 Board	Bill Chapman	term exp. 01/01/2008
	Adam Jankowski	term exp. 01/01/2008
	Robert Robinson	term exp. 01/01/2008
Parks & Recreation Commission	Linda Gallagher	term exp. 01/01/2009

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the above named appointments be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford all part-time employees at the Commission on Aging receive a 3% wage increase for 2005 with the exception of the clerical assistant position which would receive a 3% increase on January 1 and a 2% increase on July 1. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek that the motion of October, 2004 regarding signing of Commission on Aging contracts be rescinded and the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners sign only the Area on Aging Agency contracts, all other Commission on Aging contracts to be signed by the Chairman of the Commission on Aging Board. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #40-04 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, House Bill 4358 proposes to increase the length of trucks on Michigan roads from 59 to 65 feet, allowing trucks to travel over any road in the state, and reduces the penalty of overweight trucks to \$250; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan and the County of Lake have billions of dollars invested in road infrastructure, local road repair and maintenance; allowing increased truck length and reducing the penalty for truck weight will accelerate the deterioration of state and local roads; and

WHEREAS, the excessive weight of large trucks tends to deteriorate more quickly the expensive design and construction of streets; and

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WHEREAS, many studies recognize that trucks do not pay their fair share of road taxes relative to the amount of damage they cause to road pavement; and

WHEREAS, many older roads, streets and intersections were designed for trucks 53 feet long or less, based on turning radius, and cannot accommodate the proposed longer vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the \$250 penalty set forth in HOB 4358 will be all but meaningless to most trucking companies and far lower than needed to correct the damage done to state and local roadways by overweight trucks; penalties must be large enough to encourage truckers to stay on designated routes and observe weight limits; removing judicial review encourages repeat offenses and regular abuse of weight limitations; and

WHEREAS, local governments are in the best position to evaluate which roads can safely handle truck traffic; thus restricting the County of Lake’s ability to control where trucks travel within our County is fiscally irresponsible and will cause a safety threat to its citizens, and private and public property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Lake urges the Michigan legislature and the Governor to oppose HB 4358, a bill which is simply bad public policy and certainly not in the best interest of the citizens of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Governor, the Senate Transportation Committee, Senator Jason Allen, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) and all other Michigan counties.

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #40-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the agreement with the unrepresented employees be approved and the salaries be set as follows:

	January 1	July 1
Abstractor	41,926	42,974
ACT Director	43,265	45,004
(step increase to 44,122 on 6/1/05)		
ACT Secretary	12.28/hr	12.65/hr
Admin Asst. – Co. Clerk	15.81/hr	15.97/hr

Unrepresented salaries and wages – continued

Admin. Asst. – Coord/Plan	16.80/hr	16.97/hr
Admin. Asst. – Pros. Atty.	16.63/hr	16.80/hr
Airport Manager	40,217	40,217
Asst. Pros. Atty	44,836	44,836
(step increase to 46,170 on 12/16/05)		
Assoc. Planner	36,630	36,630
Building Official	46,350	46,350
(step in crease to 47,741 on 7/05/05)		
Chief Asst. Pros. Atty.	53,905	55,253
Comm. on Aging Director*	39,566	40,357
Coord/Planner Secretary	13.20/hr	13.76/hr
(step increase to 13.62 on 02/25/05)		
Emergency Services Coordinator	19,276	20,460
(step increase to 19,864 on 06/23/05)		
Equalization Director	49,796	50,792
Housing Director	16.47/hr	16.80/hr
Jail Nurse	47,868	47,868
Maintenance Director	34,303	34,646
MeadowView Apt. Manager	11,226	11,226
Parks Manager	14.67	14.67
Undersheriff	49,767	50,265
Veteran’s Counselor	10.88/hr	10.88/hr
Victim’s Advocate	14.36/hr	14.50/hr
Elected Officials		
County Clerk*	47,275	47,748
County Treasurer	46,405	46,405
Drain Commissioner	7,572	7,572
Register of Deeds	44,063	44,504
Sheriff *	54,143	54,684
*Stipends		
COA Director	1,417	1,445
County Clerk	9,486	9,581
Prosecuting Attorney	10,430 + 3,386 (grant)	
Sheriff	6,344	6,407

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that all employees who are in the current CB12 to CB 1 Wrap be moved to a new CB 12 to CB 1 Wrap health insurance program with a \$25 office visit and a Mail Order Prescription D2x. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Commissioners’ salaries for 2005 and 2006 be set as follows:

2005	
Chairman	5,180
Members	4,380
2006	
Chairman	5,480
Members	4,680

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – White, Howelman, Stanek; Absent – None.

Bids were presented for timber cutting in Chestonia Township, Section 29 as follows:

Silverleaf Sawmill	34,795
Timbercare Inc.	13,656
Paris Sawmill	21,752
Matelski Lumber Co.	22,776
Fahl Forest Products	33,900

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the bid from Silver Leaf Sawmill for \$34,795 for timber cutting in Chestonia Township, Section 29 be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the surface damage assessment prepared by Mike Meriwether for the drilling and flowline construction at the county forest in Section 24, Echo Township be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Ed Martel spoke on the following topics: Arlen Turner, former Building Official; combining of the County Clerk/Register of Deeds/ Abstract offices.

RESOLUTION #41-04 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Joseph Allen

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Antrim County authorize the Housing Director to apply to MSHD for a grant for \$262,500 for rehabilitation of existing homes, the local leveraging amount to be \$52,500

Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No - None;
Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #41-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Dawson that the Airport apply for a grant for \$794,000, county share to be \$66,650. Motion died for lack of support.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the 2004 budget adjustments (see p) be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Abstractor	Theresa Kent
Chief Administrative Officer	Laura Sexton
Animal Control Director	Terry Johnson
Airport Manager	John Strehl
Building Official	Robert Massey
Commission on Aging Director	Carol Mitchell
Coordinator/Planner	Peter Garwood
Emergency Services Coordinator	Carl Goeman
Equalization Director	Robert Englebrecht
Maintenance Director	David Vitale
Medical Examiner	Dr. Dewey Benson
Purchasing Agent	Laura Sexton
Veterans Counselor	George Perkins
911 Manager	Terry Johnson
Freedom of Information Officer	Charles Koop
Safety Officer	Carl Goeman

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore the above named appointments be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the Coordinator/Planner proceed with negotiations of owners of three lots in the midst of Barnes Parks for eventual purchase of the land. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod that Lennox and Associates produce a surveyed site plan for Barnes Park at a cost not to exceed \$6,000. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the change order to the Artec Interiors, Inc. contract of \$907.20 for sealed engineered drawings for the repair of the Circuit Courtroom dome area be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson Lennox Engineering be hired for creating the design of the catchment system for the clock weights (1905 Courthouse) at a cost not to exceed 15% of the construction cost of the catchment system. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the chairman be authorized to sign the agreement between Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility and Meadowview Apartments for 2005. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Barga, seconded by Dawson the Chairman of the LEPC be authorized to sign the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant Agreement for 2004-2005 in the amount of \$865. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign the contract between Antrim Conservation District and Antrim County for \$60,000 for soil erosion control services. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Thursday, December 9, 2004

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss pending litigation and that Charles Koop, Peter Garwood, and Mark Randolph remain in the closed session. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Board went into closed session at 12:30 p.m. and returned to open session at 1:05 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk