

Laura Sexton, County Clerk called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.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
	Bernard Blackmore	District #08
	Joseph Allen	District #09
Absent:	Laura Stanek	District #07

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. Joseph Allen nominated Jack White.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman 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. Larry Bargy nominated Laura Stanek.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Laura Stanek for Vice-chairman. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Laura Stanek was declared Vice-chairman

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

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RESOLUTION #01-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Eugene Dawson

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 2006:

Alden State Bank
Citizens Bank
Huntington Bank
National City Bank
Fifth Third Bank
J.P. Morgan Chase & Co
Bank One
LaSalle Bank
Flagstar Bank
Comerica
Republic Bank
Fifth Third Securities, Inc
MBIA - Municipal Investors of Michigan CLASS
Merrill Lynch
Citigroup
Oppenheimer & Co Inc
UBS Financial Service Inc.
First Federal

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

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen:

No - None;

Absent - Stanek.

RESOLUTION #01-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #02-06 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Laura Stanek

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

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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 - Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen;

No - McLeod;

Absent - Stanek.

RESOLUTION #02-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #03-06 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Robert McLeod

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 intends 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 after date of approval.

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

No - None;

Absent - Stanek.

RESOLUTION #03-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

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It was moved by McLeod, seconded by David Howelman that a disclaimer be added to the Antrim County Website indicating that none of the material on the website can be considered an official accurate record of Antrim County.

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

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, 2006. (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.

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5. This resolution shall be effective retroactive to January 1, 2006.

Yes - McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Conway;

No - None;

Absent - Stanek.

RESOLUTION #04-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #05-06 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Joseph Allen

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 2005 Annual Report in the form stipulated by the Board of Commissioners by a second Thursday in May, 2006: 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: North Country Mental Health, Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility, and Family Independence Agency.

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

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

No - None;

Absent – Stanek.

RESOLUTION #05-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Antrim County Commissioners' Procedures as approved on April 13, 2000 and amended on February 8, 2001, February 14, 2002, and November 14, 2002 continued to be used in the year, 2006. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

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RESOLUTION #05-06 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Joseph Allen

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, hemiplegic, 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, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;
Absent - Stanek.

RESOLUTION #05-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Chairman appointed the following Standing Committees:

ADMINISTRATION/COUNTY SERVICES

Robert McLeod
Michael Crawford
Laura Stanek

HUMAN SERVICES

David Howelman
Laura Stanek
Bernard Blackmore

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Committee appointments - continued

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Michael Crawford
Larry Bargy
Eugene Dawson

LANDS AND FORESTRY

Bernard Blackmore
Eugene Dawson
Joseph Allen

FINANCE

Laura Stanek
Larry Bargy
Robert McLeod

PARKS

Michael Crawford
Robert McLeod
Joseph Allen

HEALTH & PUBLIC SAFETY

Larry Bargy
Bernard Blackmore
David Howelman

PUBLIC WORKS

Joseph Allen
Larry Bargy
Eugene Dawson

TRANSPORTATION

Eugene Dawson
Robert McLeod
David Howelman

CIRCUIT COURT LIAISON

Jack White
Laura Stanek
Laura Sexton
Peter Garwood
Robert McLeod

DISTRICT COURT LIAISON

Jack White
Laura Stanek
Laura Sexton
Peter Garwood

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen that the above named committee

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

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Policy #01-06, the Privacy of Social Security Number Policy, (see pp) be adopted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

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It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Agreement between the Antrim County Board of Commissioners and Teamsters State, County, and Municipal Workers, Local 215 applying to the General Unit of county workers be approved and the Chairman, the designated negotiators, and the elected co-employers to authorized to sign. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

Robert Massey, the Construction Code Official, gave a detailed explanation of the laws and procedures governing the activities of the Construction Code Enforcement Department.

Mr. McLeod requested the Public Works Committee re-address the Construction Code Enforcement fees.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 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. (Bernard Blackmore left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.)

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel spoke on the "hidden government". He also talked about the health department code and the county's liability for same. Kent McNeil requested a written confirmation of the decision on his grievance. Stuart McKinnon requested that if he took a question of interpretation of code to the Board of Appeals and he was upheld, could the fee be waived or returned.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Crawford that, in the case a contractor takes a question of definition or interpretation of construction code to the Board of Appeals and the issue is found in the contractor's favor, the fee for convening the Board of Appeals be refunded to the contractor. Mr. McLeod requested that the matter be deferred for one month.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the minutes of December 8, 2005 and January 5, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Peter Garwood reported on the Wetzel Lake meeting. The property is owned by the Department of Natural Resources.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore the county portion of the Swamp Tax on the property known as the Wetzel Lake property owned by the Department of Natural Resources be waived. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Discussion on the Wetzel Lake matter continued. It was decided to wait for recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Parks Committee.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Blackmore the basement floor of the Barnes Park Building currently in construction be covered with enough concrete to raise the floor four inches and foil back insulation be adhered to the perimeter of the area all at a cost of not more than \$4,000 and the expenditure budget of Fund #470 be increased by \$4,000. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Resolution concerning the Deferred Compensation Plan revisions was deferred until the February meeting.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen that Gozling Czubak be contracted to do the County Master Plan at a cost of \$18,700. At the request of Mr. Howelman, the matter was deferred for one month.

Bernard Blackmore left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that an amount not to exceed \$7,000 be expended to complete the procedures needed for having the Grand Traverse County iSeries computer be host for the Sheriff FSG LEMS software and the budget be increased by \$7,000. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the Sheriff purchase a snowmobile as budgeted at a cost not exceed \$8,000 to be reimbursed 100% by the State. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bary, the Sheriff purchase, as budgeted, six (6) portable radio (non scan) for the Jail at a cost not to exceed \$3,100 and one (1) portable radio (scannable) for the Jail at a cost not to exceed \$565.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the Equalization Director purchase as budgeted, 2 computers at a cost not to exceed \$2,700 and a scanner at a cost not to exceed \$200. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bary the County Treasurer purchase, as budgeted, a computer at a cost not to exceed \$1,350 and 2 monitors at a cost not to exceed \$600. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the Coordinator/Planner purchase, as budgeted, a computer at a cost not to exceed \$2,300. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$63,635.00 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent - Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Probate Court unrepresented employees receive salaries for 2006 as follows:

Probate Court Administrator	\$ 48,875
Stipend	2,852
Probate Court Reporter/Judicial Secretary	\$ 36,398
Stipend	3,082

and will receive other changes in benefits as outlined in the agreement. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the following policy concerning public documents be adopted: documents or partial documents which are presented to a committee, board, or commission that is subject to the Open Meetings Act can be released to the public. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that the following policy concerning County Ordinances be adopted: When an Ordinance is presented to the Board of Commissioners for adoption, the vote on the Ordinance not take place until the next monthly meeting. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the new part-time secretary at the Commission on Aging be paid at the first year step in the pay grade for the secretary position (in the General Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement) to be retroactive to January 1, 2006. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Commission on Aging procedures be amended to reduce the number of County Commissioners on the COA Board to one, and the total number of COA Board member’s position continue to be five. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Prosecuting Attorney's compensation for 2006 be as follows:

Prosecuting Attorney	\$ 78,611
Stipend	10,858
Child support grant (reimb.)	6,400

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

The Chairman appointed Bill Chapman as the ACES/firefighter representative and Burt Thompson as the Road Commission representative on the 911 Board.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the appointment of Bill Chapman, term to expire 01/01/2007, and Burt Thompson, term to expire 01/01/2007, to the 911 Board be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Sheriff hire an additional part-time court officer. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the agreement with Madison National Life for life insurance and short-term disability insurance be renewed for March 1, 2006 to March 1, 2007. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Annuity in Lieu of Health Insurance be increased at 2/3 the rate of the cap for a single subscriber in the General Unit effective immediately. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Prosecuting Attorney was requested to look into verifying ownership of seventeen (17) acres at Barnes Park – Eastport.

Mike Crawford brought up the problem of de-icers on the lakes. The Prosecuting Attorney will investigate the possibilities of regulation.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the contractor doing the work on the clock be also authorized to bring the staircase to the clock tower in the 1905 Courthouse up to code. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod a structural engineer be hired to give an evaluation of the integrity of the structure of the clock tower and attic of the 1905 Courthouse. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Construction Code informational meeting with contractors will be held in February.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that one \$50.00 soil erosion control fee be waived for any contractor attending the Construction Code information meeting and staying to the end of the meeting. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson that one re-inspection fee be waived for any contractor attending the Construction Code informational meeting and staying to the end of the meeting. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Howelman the Coordinator/Planner send the letter of support for the Mancelona Sewer Project to the newspapers for publication. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the Planning Commission Rules for the Transaction of Business be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

ORDINANCE #01-06 BY Laura Stanek, seconded by Eugene Dawson

Amendment of Antrim County Planning Commission Ordinance
(See pages)

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

No - None;

Absent – Blackmore.

ORDINANCE #01-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Gene Dawson read a statement on the responsibilities of elected officials to maintain an upright and honest character in endeavoring to achieve what is right and fair for the most people.

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.

Six students from the MSU Extension Citizenship Academy were in attendance: 3 from Ellsworth School, 1 from Central Lake School, 1 from Kalkaska School, and 1 from Concord Academy.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on the proposed draft of the Antrim County Soil Erosion and Stormwater Runoff Control Ordinance and the Health Code. Vanessa Rubingh promoted Jerry Zanstra, for U.S. Senator and announced a meeting on February 28 at Ellsworth. John Borst, Manager of the propane division of Derrer Oil, and Kevin Roberts from Amerigas commented on the regulations for installing propane tanks in the winter. Ray Ludwa spoke on the "bubblers" on the lakes and questioned the definition of "common sense". Janet Person from Antrim Conservation District announced the road will open accessing Mitchell Creek. Public Comment closed at 9:20 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the minutes of January 12, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Peter Garwood announced the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance annual luncheon on Friday, February 24, at 12:30 p.m.

Robert Massey, Building Official, gave the 2005 Construction Code Enforcement Annual Report and also answered questions concerning the installation of propane tanks in the winter.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Construction Code Enforcement 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the Sheriff purchase a snowmobile at a cost not to exceed \$7,502.70; the state will reimburse 85% of the cost. 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 Stanek, seconded by Bary a refrigerator be purchased for the Jail as budgeted at a cost not to exceed \$1,270. 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 Stanek, seconded by Howelman \$8,000 be transferred from Fund #137, Capital Outlay Reserve Fund, to Fund #101, General Fund (Capital Outlay-Sheriff) to allow for the purchase of a third patrol car rather than two patrol cars and a detective car 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, Allen; No – Blackmore; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod \$1,500 be transferred from Fund #137, Capital Outlay Reserve Fund to Fund #249, Construction Code Enforcement Fund, for the purchase of a laptop computer 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.

The matter of establishing a waiting period for participation in the annuity program (alternative to health insurance) was tabled until March.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the claims and accounts totaling \$85,985.52 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.

Gerald Chase from the NW Community Health Agency spoke on the Sanitary Code amendments.

Bob Van Putten from Harrison Landmark presented the results of the study for a New Jail.

The Human Services Agency 2005 Annual Report was presented.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen the Human Services Agency 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Theresa Kent, Abstractor, presented the Abstract Department 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the Abstract Department 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen the Chairman be authorized to sign an agreement with Gosling Czubak to create a county Master Plan at a cost not to exceed \$18,700. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #06-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

WHEREAS, Antrim County has a history of quality recreational and resort areas along with a strong agriculture base; and

WHEREAS, Antrim County has been funding the Antrim County Economic Development Corporation and Michigan State University Extension to foster job retention and attract new business ventures; and

WHEREAS, Antrim County needs increased transportation improvements to foster growth of its economic base,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners respectfully requests that Governor Jennifer Granholm and the State Legislature develop tax incentives to keep Antrim County and the State of Michigan competitive in the global economy of the 21st century; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we respectfully request Governor Jennifer Granholm and the State of Michigan partner in our vision of a four-lane U.S. 131 highway that allows for unabated traffic flow from “the Main Street of the Midwest (I80/90)” to the “Main Streets of West Michigan” and north to the benefit of industry, tourism, agriculture and all of the citizens of Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jennifer Granholm, State Senator Jason Allen, State Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, U.S. Senator Carl Levin, U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak, and all the other 82 counties.

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

RESOLUTION #06-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #07-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, Crawford County has been embroiled in a funding dispute with the 46th unified trial court since August of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the funding dispute centered around the level of benefits for the court employees and the right of the local legislative branch of government to set the budget levels that are reasonable, necessary and in the best interest of the community; and

WHEREAS, Crawford County requested and participated in mediation with the 46th Circuit Trial Court in accordance with Supreme Court Administrative Order 1998-5, requested assistance from the Supreme Court Administrative Office and the Michigan Department of Treasury and funded a study which was conducted a representative of the court and a representative of the county with no remedy found; and

WHEREAS, the 46th Circuit Trial Court filed suit against Crawford County in November of 2003 which resulted in catastrophic effects for all other funding units; and

WHEREAS, Subsequent to an accrual of \$1,000,000 in attorney fees, the presiding Judge ruled that the Court's requested budget must be satisfied as long as any discretionary funding existed, the MER B-4 and post retirement health care are not extravagant court employee benefits even if like county employees do not enjoy that level of benefit, but in fact are necessary for the court to carry out its statutory and constitutional duties; and

WHEREAS, this litigation has destroyed the very essence of the separation of powers doctrine and has resulted in a flurry of disputes between courts and their funding units statewide; and

WHEREAS, local units of government have the awesome responsibility of providing the most eservices to the community available on very limited resources by determining how the resources are divided best; and

WHEREAS, this recent lawsuit threatens to eliminate the constitutional responsibility of setting budget levels from County Board of Commissioners around the State; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan has agreed to hear this case; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court has determined that it will rule on three specific topics prior to addressing any other outstanding issues related to the case and they are:

Resolution #07-06 – continued

1. What evidence supported the conclusion that the level of funding offered by the counties was insufficient to allow the court to fulfill essential court functions?
2. With respect to the dispute over pension and health care benefits, what evidence supports the conclusion that these benefits were reasonable and necessary to achieve the court's constitutional and statutory responsibilities, and that the court's failure to obtain such benefits so affected employee morale, or the court's ability to retain or hire competent employees, that they were reasonable and necessary to achieve the court's constitutional and statutory responsibilities?
3. Whether Crawford County and/or Kankaska County entered into a contract with the 46th Circuit Court to fund pension and health care benefits at a specific level.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Antrim County Board of Commissioners is making the above requests on behalf of Crawford County and all counties having budgetary responsibilities concerning courts and with the goal of preserving a County Board's constitutional rights along with the system's political checks and balances.

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

RESOLUTION #07-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #08-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by David Howelman

Adopting Changes Required by the
Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001
To an Existing Deferred Compensation Plan

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, by resolution, has adopted three (3) Deferred Compensation Plans for the purpose of making available to eligible employees the accrual of tax benefits under Section 4567 Deferred Compensation Plan; and

WHEREAS, these three (3) Plans are known as FTJ Choice Fund, with the initial adoption date of June 8, 2000, the Hartford with an initial adoption date June 8, 2000, and Nationwide Retirement Solutions with an initial adoption date of April 1, 1981; and

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WHEREAS, the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 amended Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners desires the above three (3) Plans to conform with the changes in the Code brought about by the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners desires to adopt the restated Plans that conform with the changes in the Code resulting from the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001; and

WHEREAS, such revised Plans shall supersede the previously adopted Plans; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Employer hereby adopts the revised Plans known as FTJ Fund Choice, the Hartford, and Nationwide Retirement Solutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the appropriate representatives of each of the three (3) Plans.

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

RESOLUTION #08-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Beth Lacy be hired for part-time irregular kitchen aide position at the Commission on Aging at a two year rate of \$8.66 per hour. 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 a new regular part-time clerical position be established in the Construction Code Enforcement Department hours not to exceed 35 hours a week, and, upon filling the new position, the current part-time irregular position be discontinued. 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 the mileage rate be set at \$.42 per mile effective today, February 9, 2006. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Stanek; Absent – None.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the policy of July 08, 1993 making all County buildings smoke free and the policy of October 13, 1994 directing the maintenance supervisor to enforce the no smoking policy be rescinded and the following policy be adopted effective January 1, 2006:

ANTRIM COUNTY SMOKE-FREE FACILITIES POLICY

All County owned and operated government facilities including the area within twenty-five feet of any entrances, and also including County owned or leased vehicles, shall be totally smoke-free effective January 1, 2006 and the enforcement of this policy will be the responsibility of the department heads.

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 Web Site Legal Disclaimer be adopted:

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Motion carried by a ye 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 GIS information be released to Gosling Czubak for use in completing the County Master Plan. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Charles Koop reported on the progress of lease agreement with the State for Wetzel Lake.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that Sky Telecom move the data rack from the County Clerk's office in the '05 Courthouse to the Circuit Court office at a cost not to exceed \$600.00. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Building and Grounds Committee and the Coordinator/Planner be given authority to select the builder, electrician and heating contractor for the remodeling of the Equalization Department and the Abstract Department (possible suggested cost - \$17,000). The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Antrim Conservation District for the administration of county forest lands. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned for lunch provided by the MSU Extension Citizenship Academy students.

P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Absent: Bernard Blackmore, Michael Crawford (Mr. Crawford joined the meeting later)

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson Leonard Klein attend the Solid Waste Advisory Committee meetings at the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments and be reimbursed for mileage only. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign the contract between Antrim County and the Antrim Conservation District for the administration of the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control program at a cost of \$73,000 for the year 2006. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the “application fee” for a LP tank permit and an electrical service pole permit be waived which will reduce the current permit fees to \$52.00 and \$42.00 respectively. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Board of Commissioners support the Construction Code Enforcement Department’s policy that requires the pipe from a tank larger than 200 gallons be buried year round including the winter months. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Stanek, Allen; No – Crawford; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign the agreement (2006) with Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility for administration of Meadowview Apartments with the following change: the percentage on gas for heating be changed to Meadowbrook – 78%, Meadowview – 22%. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

David Howelman left the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by McLeod that \$2,500 be transferred from the General Fund (Special Projects) to the Spay & Neuter Fund and the budgets of both be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Howelman, Blackmore.

There was discussion on the proposed acquisition of the “Hunt Club” property located west of Intermediate River south of the Village of Bellaire off South Genesee Street (North Arm of Lake Bellaire) and including it as part of the Grass River Natural Area.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Mark Randolph (Grass River Natural Area Inc.) be authorized to proceed with preliminary work toward possible acquisition of the “hunt Club” property. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod that private recreation sites be included in the County Parks and Recreation database. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Coordinator presented the request from Speed Net to obtain a signed statement that Antrim County is underserved as far having wireless providers.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign a statement that Antrim County is an underserved county in regard to services provided by wireless internet providers. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the following statement be adopted as a preface to the Antrim County Board of Commissioners Rules & Procedures.

I hope my achievements in life shall be these: that I have fought for what is right and fair, that I will have risked for that which mattered, that I will have given help to those who were in need – that I will have left the earth a better place for what I’ve done and who I’ve been.
C. Hoppe

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

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman

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.

Absent: Joseph Allen.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Kent McNeil asked questions on the proposed Soil Erosion Control Ordinance and commented on the violation of FOIA requests and the resulting liability. Don Schuiteman, Antrim County representative to the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Agency, reported on activities of that agency. Ed Martel commented on the Health Code and alternative methods of enforcement.

Public Comment closed at 9:17 a.m.

Charles Koop reported on the court case involving the County Treasurer and mineral rights on tax reverted properties which is currently at the Supreme Court.

Mark Randolph requested application to the Michigan Trust Fund for a grant to acquire the "Hunt Club" property. The Hunt Club members will donate ½ of the appraised value for a local match. The grant request will be for 1.2 million dollars. He also requested that he be named the primary contact for the grant.

RESOLUTION #09-06 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Robert McLeod

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 Antrim County Comprehensive Recreation Plan on February 10, 2005, 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, the County of Antrim does not currently have the ability to finance these acquisitions without additional funding

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorizes a grant application for funding through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund program for the above mentioned acquisitions at the Grass River Natural Area, in Forest Home and Custer Townships, 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%) to fifty (50%) percent as required.

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

RESOLUTION #09-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman that Mark Randolph be named the primary contact for the grant referred to in Resolution #09-06 of March 9, 2006. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that Pete Garwood be authorized to sign the Remonumentation grant (Grant No. BCCFS 06-05) for \$57,463.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the Chairman with the Building and Grounds Committee be authorized to approve full payment of \$9,792.09 to J&W Construction for work on the Clock tower after final inspection is done and the expenditure budget of Fund #470 be increased to cover this expense.. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Peter Garwood look at Charlevoix County's handling of Remonumentation. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Additional Public Comment: Dean Willson of D&M Services spoke on the problems with contractors installing inadequate heating systems.

The matter of the Construction Code Enforcement Department requiring load calculations to determine the size of equipment duct work on heating systems to referred to the Public Works Committee.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the minutes of February 9, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

George Perkins, Veterans Counselor, gave that department's 2005 Annual Report and introduced George Ouvry and Roger Simon, members of his committee.

RESOLUTION #10-06 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

WHEREAS, George Perkins has been employed as the Antrim County Veterans' Counselor since March 2, 1987; and,

WHEREAS, during that time, George Perkins has provided excellent support and has been a positive force in assisting Antrim County Veterans to obtain needed services and hard-earned benefits; and

WHEREAS, George Perkins and his wife, Betty, also served as Managers of the Meadowview Apartments from 1996 to 2005; and

WHEREAS, all of us here at Antrim County have come to appreciate George's optimistic attitude and cheerful greeting daily; and

NOW, THERE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Antrim County, expresses its sincere appreciation to

GEORGE PERKINS

For 19 years of outstanding, dedicated service to the Citizens and Veterans of Antrim County.

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

No - None;

Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #10-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the Veterans Counselor 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Sherry Comben, County Treasurer, gave the County Treasurer's 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the County Treasurer's 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Peter Garwood, Coordinator/Planner, presented the Coordinator/Planner's 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Coordinator/Planner's 2005 Annual Report be accepted.

Carl Goeman, Emergency Service's Director, gave that department's 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Stanek the Emergency Service's 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Marna Robertson and Blair Coutant from Meadowbrook showed a promotional video for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility.

Carol Mitchell, Director, gave the Commission on Aging 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Crawford the Commission on Aging 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$69,527.08 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Barga that the following proposal be placed on the August 8, 2006 Primary Election ballot:

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Antrim County, Imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution, be increased For said County by up to 1.00 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value upon real And tangible personal property) for a period of four (4) years, from 2007 Through 2010, both inclusive, for the purpose of providing fund to continue the Operation of Antrim County Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility; and, shall The County levy such increase in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the First year an estimated \$1,676,136.00?

Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – McLeod; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the Coordinator/Planner purchase work stations for \$9,840.65 as budgeted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford that \$2,000 be transferred from Contingencies to Parks and Recreation Commission in the 2006 General Fund budget for the Petoskey Stone Festival (May 27). Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #11-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, Antrim County Public Safety Officials are hereby requesting the Antrim County Board of Commissioners to encourage members of the Michigan Legislature to support 9-1-1 in Michigan to act in a timely and collaborative manner to actively pursue 9-1-1 funding mechanisms that are reliable and equitable across technology lines; and

WHEREAS, 9-1-1 is recognized by citizens nationwide as the number to call for emergency assistance, from police, fire, and emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan 9-1-1 Service is enabled and governed by P.A. 32 of 1986 and its subsequent amendments (the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act); and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act provides funding in the form of surcharges from both landline and wireless, that supports the network backbone and provides a capital and operational funding mechanism for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs); and

WHEREAS, Antrim County 9-1-1 Central Dispatch provides 9-1-1 Services that are critical to the protection of life, safety, and property in Antrim Count; and

WHEREAS, all citizens are served quickly and effectively regardless of whether their 9-1-1 calls are made from a landline or a wireless line; and

WHEREAS, during Fiscal Year 2005, there was a considerable increase in the number of 9-1-1 calls place in Antrim County from wireless phones; and

WHEREAS, since the number of landlines is decreasing , the wireless 9-1-1 surcharge funding received through P.A., 78 of 1999 is a means of achieving some parity for 9-1-1 operational funding; and

Resolution #11-06 – continued

WHEREAS, newer methods of accessing telecommunications through other devices and methods are rapidly affecting the 9-1-1 System; and

WHEREAS, the 9-1-1 System as it exists faces restrictions in fund collection because the current legislation does not address modern technology that has not previously existed; and

WHEREAS, the widespread replacement of traditional landline telephones with wireless phones, VoiceOver Internet Protocol (VOIP), and other emerging technology has caused a flattened or reduced source funding for many 9-1-1 PSAPs and network providers; and

WHEREAS, this inconsistency is not the product of one single cause, but rather a combination of emerging technology, broader access to 9-1-1, and a funding system that is based on traditional landline technology surcharges; and

WHEREAS, this combination results in Michigan's 9-1-1 System costs being paid by certain users, while others bear little or no weight of the burden; and

WHEREAS, some combined landline technical and 9-1-1 Operational Surcharges in Michigan are in excess of \$3.00 a month, while there are pre-paid wireless calling devices and VOIP systems that are not subject to any 9-1-1 surcharges; and

WHEREAS, to meet these challenges Michigan's 9-1-1 Systems needs support that can only be facilitated through legislative changes that keeps pace with developing technology; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Antrim County Board of Commissioners recommends the Michigan Legislature must act in a timely and collaborative manner to actively pursue 9-1-1 funding mechanisms that are reliable and equitable across technology lines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk be requested to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, and State Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, all Michigan Counties and the State 911 Administration.

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

RESOLUTION #11-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #12-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, the educational interpretive centers in the Antrim Creek Natural Area (ACNA) are vital to the natural area, and

WHEREAS, the public will benefit from various information on the threatened species and cultural and historical information about the natural area, and

WHEREAS, funding is available from the US Department of Commerce through the Coastal Management Program, and

WHEREAS, total project cost is estimated at \$30,000, 50% of which would be funded through the Coastal Management Program and 50% would be a local match;

WHEREAS, the Coastal Management Program has played an extremely important role as a partner with Antrim County in the formulation of the ACNA Master Plan, and the completion of Phase I and Phase II of the construction efforts that have made the ACNA accessible to thousands of visitors, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approves the submission of the grant application to the Michigan Coastal Management Program in the amount of \$30,000 for the educational interpretive centers in Antrim Creek Natural Area, and commits that the local match shall be provided if the project is funded.

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

No - None;

Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #12-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford, the funds for a vacant non-union Administrative Assistant position in the Prosecuting Attorney office be released and the hiring process begin and, in the event the position is filled by a current employee, the funds for the resulting vacancy be released and the hiring process begin for that position. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Board retire to closed session to discuss settlement of litigation against the county and the Sheriff and Coordinator/Planner be requested to remain in the meeting. Motion carried all members voting yes.

The Board went into Closed Session at 11:45 a.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:15 p.m.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:15 p.m.

P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:20 p.m.

There was discussion about providing office space for the Medical Examiner. The matter was referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the privacy panels in storage be given to Habitat for Humanity. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Chairman sign a contract with Lakeshore Energy to provide natural gas at \$1.095/cubic foot through March, of 2008. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – White; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that time and material quotes be obtained for repair on the Meadowview Apartments exterior; quotes not to exceed \$30,000 and the Coordinator/ Planner, the Chairman, and the Buildings and Grounds Chairman be authorized to examine the quotes. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the Chairman be authorized to sign an agreement with Mancelona Township for upkeep and maintenance of the Wetzel Lake property. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford a letter be written to Grass River Natural Inc indicating the County's intent to lease the building and property to Grass River Inc. for not less than 20 years with the option of renewal at \$1.00 per year contingent upon the county's approval of the building and site. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Blackmore a fire alarm system be installed by Northern Fire and Safety at Meadowview Apartments that would automatically alarm Meadowbrook and 911 Dispatch, the cost to be \$7,110.00 and the expenditure budget of Meadowview be increased by this amount. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Blackmore the formal process be authorized to annex the property on which Meadow Brook Medical care Facility and Meadowview Apartments is located into the Village of Bellaire. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson a letter be written to the Department of Natural Resources requesting reclassification of 340 acres in Section and 14 of Forest Home Township as leasable developmental. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – Stanek; Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #13-06 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Robert McLeod

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act No. 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 2007 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 of 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

WHEREAS, the Applicant has reviewed and approved the proposed balance (surplus) budget, and funding sources of estimated federal funds \$104,000, estimated state funds \$272,000, estimated local funds \$106,700, estimated farebox \$185,200, estimated other funds \$25,300, with total estimated expenses of \$693,200.

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

Resolution #13-06 – continued

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints Sheridan Rhoads 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 2007.

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

No - None;

Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #13-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Board retire to closed session to consider pending litigation and the Sheriff and Coordinator/Planner be requested to stay in the meeting. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting closed at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting re-opened at 3:10 p.m.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Stanek that the mediation offer concerning the pending litigation be rejected. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No - None; Absent – Allen.

The meeting adjourned at 3:12 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 Barga, Jack White, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Alan Martel gave objections to the proposed Soil Erosion Ordinance. Kent McNeil also gave objections to the proposed Soil Erosion Ordinance. Ed Martel commented on zoning in regard to platted lots.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the minutes of March 9, 2006 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Charles Koop reported on the drilling under the road at the Airport to run a single pipeline for oil and gas. The matter was tabled until the Transportation Committee report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the claims and accounts totaling \$89,167.99 be approved and paid. 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 McLeod the Equalization Director purchase one office chair for \$448.50 and purchase of a second chair be held over to the 2007 budget, and \$450.00 be transferred from Contingencies to Capital Outlay (Equalization) in the 2006 General Fund budget. 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 that bids for the Abstract/Equalization remodeling project in the 1978 County Building be awarded as follows:

UBU, Inc.	General Construction	\$	4,298.00
Moon Electric	Electrical work only		6,400.00

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 Crawford that J&W Construction Co. be paid a final payment of \$8,874.17 for the remaining work on the 1905 Courthouse clock tower to be paid from Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, and the expenditure budget of Fund #470 be increased by \$8,875.00. 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 Stanek, seconded by McLeod that, in the bid policy, the bid threshold for formal sealed bidding process be raised from \$2,500 to \$5,000. 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 Stanek, seconded by Bargy that payment of \$1,619.00 to a court psychiatrist be approved and \$1,619 be transferred from Contingencies to Special Projects for this purpose. 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 Stanek, seconded by McLeod the Assistant Prosecutor be paid \$125.00 if he is called out on a weekend not to exceed a yearly total of \$3,000 and \$3,000 be transferred from Contingencies to Prosecuting Attorney in the 2006 General Fund 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.

The Chairman appointed Peter Garwood as representative and Joseph Meyers as alternate to the Planner Review and Advisory Committee of the Council of Governments.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore the appointments of Peter Garwood as representative and Joseph Myers as alternate to the Planner Review and Advisory Committee of the Council of Governments be approved. 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 Dawson that information in the Equalization Department be released to the company preparing the 4-H Plat Book. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek that the employee in the position of Veterans Counselor is no longer eligible for health or retirement benefits but continues to have the other employee benefits. At the request of Commissioner Howelman, action was deferred until the May meeting.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the amendment to the Service Agreement with Chain of Lakes Internet, Inc. be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the concept of sharing a Housing Director with Kalkaska County, if approached by Kalkaska County, be approved as long as Antrim County is the county of record for the arrangement and Kalkaska County pay a reasonable share of the expenses (wages, fringes, and other miscellaneous administrative expenses). Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bary that requesting the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments to act as staff for the bi-county farmland preservation program be approved. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Bary, White, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – McLeod, Dawson, Howelman, Crawford; Absent – None.

Peter Garwood introduced Deborah Peters, the new Veterans Counselor.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Barnes Park employees with the exception of the Park Director, receive a 3.1% wage increase for the 2006 season. 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 an ad on the inside cover in the new 4-H Plat Book be purchased for \$1,000. 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 mileage rate be increased to \$0.45 per mile. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Stanek; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #14-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, the 13th Circuit Court Community Corrections Advisory Board was formed in 1993 with broad representation from the criminal justice community and the three counties which comprise the region to implement services for alternatives to jailing; and,

WHEREAS, Grant funds have been received and are available to continue Community Corrections services, which have served to reduce the region's prison commitment rate, increase the utilization of jails, and provide treatment for offenders to reduce recidivism; and,

Resolution #14-06 – continued

WHEREAS, the 13th Circuit Court Community Corrections Advisory Board has recommended approval of the FY 2007 grant application to the Office of Community Corrections for the 13th Circuit Court Community Corrections Program & Services in the amount of \$180,710 and the submittal of the FY 2007 grant for Probation Residential Services in the amount of \$138,700; and,

WHEREAS, approval of the Grand Traverse, Leelanau, and Antrim County Boards of Commissioners, is necessary for the grant submittal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that submittal of the FY 2007 grant application to the Office of Community Corrections for the 13th Circuit Court Community Corrections Program and the FY 2007 grant application for Probation Residential Services is hereby approved by the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

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

RESOLUTION #14-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore the mediation settlement with the Antrim County Probate Court Union 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.

Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney, gave the Prosecutor's 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Prosecuting Attorney's 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Sheridan Rhoads, Director, presented the Antrim County Transportation 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the Antrim County Transportation 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Patty Niepoth, Register of Deeds, gave that department's 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Register of Deeds' 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Blair Coutant, Manager, gave the Meadowview Apartments 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the Meadowview Apartments 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign a non-developmental mineral rights lease with OIL Energy for area over the railroad grade at Grass River Natural Area for 1/6 of the proceeds pending approval of Mike Meriwether, Forester, and Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney. 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 a policy be established that, when entering into an oil/gas lease, the form be similar to or the same as those entered into by the State of Michigan. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman the Chairman be authorized to sign a Homeland Security Grant agreement for \$22,000. 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 Dawson, seconded by Allen the Chairman be authorized to sign a lease with SRW for 2 well sites and 1 transmission line at the Antrim County Airport, pending favorable review by the Prosecuting Attorney, and the resulting \$24,000 compensation be earmarked for purchase of a tug for the Airport from Lektro for \$23,826.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Stanek; Absent – None.

Judge Norman Hayes and William Hefferan presented the Probate Court and Family Division of the Circuit 2005 Annual Reports.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the Probate Court and Family Division of the Circuit Court 2005 Annual Reports be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Laura Sexton, County Clerk, gave that department's 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by McLeod the County Clerk's 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Robert Englebrecht, Director, gave the Equalization Report.
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It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the 2005 Equalization Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Ed Martel commented on the gas wells and the easement at the Airport. He also commented on the proposed Health code and maintained it was based on controlling growth.

The matter of replacement of regulators at the Elk Rapids Dam was tabled until the May meeting.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign a contract with the Antrim Conservation District for administration of the Household Hazardous Waste Days. 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 increase in commercial plan review fees based on ICC recommended fees 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 was requested to write a letter to Janet Person thanking her for all her help with various Antrim County projects over the years.

There was discussion on the proposed annexation of the Meadowbrook property to the Village of Bellaire.

The Chairman appointed the Administration Committee as an ad hoc committee to meet with the Antrim Conservation District about funding possibilities including voted millage and appropriations.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the appointment of the Administration Committee as an ad hoc committee to meet with the Antrim Conservation District 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 12:45 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.

Absent: Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen. (Michael Crawford left at 10:30 a.m.)

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Kent McNeil had questions about the Planning Commission's involvement in the proposed Soil Erosion Ordinance. Ed Martel commented on the Health Sanitation Code. Lawrence Wolgamott talked about the Russian Olive bushes which he maintains are invasive and bad for the county and indicated they should be eradicated. Public Comment closed at 9:10 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the Chairman sign the contract with the State of Michigan for Child Support Enforcement which is administered by the Prosecuting Attorney's office. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Blackmore, Allen.

Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney, presented some changes to the Soil Erosion and Storm water Runoff Ordinance which are a result of the public meeting in Alden.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Administration/County Services Committee with the concurrence of the Board Chairman be given authority to hire the GIS Technician for the Equalization Department. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Blackmore, Allen.

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

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Peter Garwood as delegate and Laura Sexton as alternate to the 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; No – None; Absent – Blackmore, Allen.

The Chairman appointed Sheridan Rhoads as Antrim County Representative to the Land Use & Transportation Coordinating Group.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Sheridan Rhoads as Antrim County Representative to the Land Use & Transportation Coordinating Group be approved. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Blackmore, Allen.

The matter of fringe benefits for the Veterans Counselor was tabled indefinitely.

Doug Strange commented on invasive plant species.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the minutes of April 13, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Public Hearing on the Soil Erosion and Storm Water Runoff Ordinance opened at 9:30 a.m.

Comments ranging from suggesting some changes to the Ordinance to advocating complete rejection of the Ordinance were heard from Kent McNeil, Lawrence Wolgamott, John Peal, Alan Martel, Harvey Theibert, Donna Theibert, Jim Gurr, Doug Strang, Barb Bradford, Ed Martel, Tom Underhill, Jerry Green, and Nancy Ellison.

Michael Crawford left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Heidi Lang and Christy Roman from the Antrim Conservation District commented favorably on the Ordinance and enforcement of the Ordinance.

The Public Hearing closed at 11:05 a.m.

The Board continued discussion of the proposed Soil Erosion and Storm Water Runoff Ordinance.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Soil Erosion and Storm Water Runoff Ordinance be referred to the Planning Commission for consideration and possible amendments and continued public input. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

John Strehl, Airport Manager presented the Airport 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Airport 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Mark Stone gave the Drain Commissioner 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the Drain Commissioner 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Drain Commissioner was requested to work with the Planning Commission on the Soil Erosion and Storm Water Runoff Ordinance.

Terry Johnson, Sheriff, gave the Sheriff, Jail, 911, and Animal Control Annual Reports.

Kip Belcher from the Traverse Narcotics Team gave the 2005 Annual Report for that organization

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the 2005 Annual Reports for the Sheriff, Jail, 911, and Animal Control and the 2005 Annual Report for TNT be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Art Lennox presented the County Surveyor 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Dawson the County Surveyor's 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Patti Lowery gave the Housing 2005 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Housing 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Stanley Moore gave the MSU Extension 2005 Annual Report

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by McLeod the MSU Extension 2005 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Kent McNeil had questions on the feasibility study concerning moving the Soil Erosion Department to the County Building from the Soil Conservation District. He also asked about his FOIA request for the Ordinance.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:40 p.m.

P.M.

Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$96,882.82 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the Sheriff be authorized to purchase a Jet Boat for Marine patrol for \$14,000; the funds to be reimbursed by the state; and \$14,000 be transferred from Contingencies to Marine Equipment and the revenue and expenditures of the General Fund be adjusted by this amount. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod a vehicle be purchased to be used by the Antrim Conservation District, that \$20,000 be transferred from the Capital Outlay Reserve Fund to the General Fund for this purpose and the budgets of both Funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that, of the \$401,347 that can be transferred out of the Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund (Fund #285) in 2006, \$50,000 be transferred to the Antrim Conservation District Reserve Fund (Fund #165, and that any funds advanced to the Antrim Conservation District from Fund #165 be reimbursed to Antrim County when grant funds are received; and that a budget be established for Fund #165 and Fund #285 expenditures budget be increased by \$50,000. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that, of the \$401,347 that can be transferred out of the Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund (Fund #285) in 2006, \$351,347 be transferred to the Special Projects Reserve Fund (Fund #182); that a budget be established for Fund #182, and Fund #285 expenditures budget be increased by \$351,347. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the elevator at Meadowview Apartments be reconditioned at a cost not to exceed \$45,000 to be paid from the Capital Projects Fund (Fund #470); and the expenditure budget of Fund #470 be adjusted by that amount. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$5,000 be transferred from Capital Outlay Reserve Fund to the General Fund Cost Center Child Support Capital Outlay and the budgets of both Funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign the closing papers on the “Gage” property for Grass River; purchase price of \$ 499,375 to be reimbursed by grant. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Administrative Assistant for the Prosecuting Attorney be paid at the one-year rate as she has 22 years experience working in the Prosecutor’s office. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the funds for the vacant GIS Technician position in the Equalization Department be released and the hiring process begin. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the Veterans Counselor work an additional 24 hours in the next month and the budget of the Veterans Counselor be increased accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the funds for the vacant 911 position be released and the hiring process begin. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Stanek; No – None; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Bary the following fee schedule for Household Hazardous Waste Day be approved:

First 50 lbs.	Free
Over 50 lbs.	\$ 0.50 per lb.

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

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Stanek the lease with the Village of Bellaire for the walking path (Kearney Township Section 30 – west side of M-88) be amended increasing the time on the lease to fifty (50) years with no automatic renewal clause eliminating any early termination clause. Motion carried all members voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the following conditions be placed in an oil and gas lease for Antrim County property in Kearney Township (40 acres in Section 29): payment to be no less than 1/6th of the royalty and no less than a \$100 per acre signing bonus. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman; No – Stanek; Absent – Crawford, Blackmore, Allen.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson that no action be taken on replacing the regulators at the Elk Rapids Hydro Facility. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

David Howelman reported on the ACUTE meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman, called the Special Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None.

Fred Trimble of Trimble Consulting presented the Technology Systems Survey Report prepared for Antrim County.

There was discussion on the computer technology needs for the county and the cost.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss confidential portions of the report and security concerns and that Fred Trimble, all department heads, and representatives of the Bellaire Computer Center remain in the Closed Session. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting went into Closed Session at 2:10 p.m. and returned to Open Session at 2:30 p.m.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Crawford the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss property purchase/sale and that Charles Koop, Peter Garwood, Joe Meyers, and Mike Meriwether remain in the Closed Session. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting went into Closed Session at 2:35 p.m. and returned to Open Session at 3:10 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:12 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 Barga, 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. Dale Beger inquired about changes in the Health Code that would make some properties qualified to perk. Ed Martel commented on deer fly extinction, and new sanitation code, and the lack of flu vaccine for health board members. Public Comment closed at 9:12 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the minutes of May 11, 2006 and June 5, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Thomas Zick, CPA, presented the Antrim County 2005 Audit.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the 2005 Audit report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$61,928.69 be approved and paid. 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 Howelman that, effective January 1, 2007, Fund #581, Airport Operations Fund, be established as an Enterprise Fund with the already established revenues and expenditures, and with the addition that the revenue generated by gas and oil explorations on the Airport property be credited to Fund #581 and then transferred for Fund #144, Gas & Oil Royalties Reserve 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.

The matter of elimination of mileage for members of Board and Commissions was tabled until a written confirmation can be obtained from the Department of Treasury.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford a trailer be purchased from Home Depot for Barnes Park for \$999.00 and \$999.00 be transferred from Barnes Park supplies to Capital Outlay in the 2006 General Fund budget. 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 Bargy the bid policy be waived and the 911 console with related equipment be purchased from Motorola for \$128,207.01. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek; No – Blackmore, Allen; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy a cost center budget totaling \$21,500 be established in the General Fund effective June 1, 2006 for the Medical Examiner, the department be responsible to the Sheriff, and the Medical Examiner prepare an Annual Report. 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 Stanek, seconded by Howelman a Canon copier be purchased for the County Clerk for \$676.20 and the Capital Outlay budget be increased by that amount. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #15-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is dedicated to the promotion of economic development and job creation in this community and all Michigan communities; and

WHEREAS, a recent House Republican caucus has announced the introduction of legislation to promote economic development and job creation in Michigan's communities; and

WHEREAS, in current law, CORE communities, which are those communities on the state's economically distressed list, can take advantage of certain economic tools that other communities cannot; and

WHEREAS, these tools are limited to cities, townships and villages to take advantage of, and not for counties to utilize;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners urges the Legislature to consider the fact that the counties are the units of government which offer the most services and must be at the table for economic development decisions, and that counties be included in the communities that can take advantage of these economic tools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners forwards this resolution to all of the other counties in Michigan, our legislators and the Michigan Association of Counties.

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

RESOLUTION #15-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the computer standards for both a “Standard Personal Computer” and a “Power Personal Computer” submitted by the Bellaire Computer Center be adopted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the funding be released and the hiring process begin for the soon to be vacant assistant cook position at 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 announced that Mary Kay McDuffie has resigned from the Antrim Creek Natural Area Board.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod a letter of appreciation be sent to Mary Kay McDuffie for her service on the Antrim Creek Natural Area Board. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman grant agreement for the Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$9,568.00 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 bid for work on the Barnes Park walking trail be awarded to SRW Contracting/Paving for \$34,901.50 and, in the event SRW is unable to accept the bid, MDC Contracting be awarded the bid for \$36,625.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Coordinator/Planner was requested to write a letter of appreciation to Linda Gallagher for her work on the Petoskey Stone Festival.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the names of the Parks and Recreation Commission be changed to Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman a letter support be sent for a tribal grant for hunter safety for the Northern Michigan Hunters Education Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson a Program for a MSU student to a study of the formation and evolution of the dune system at the Antrim Creek Natural Area be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that a rule be added to the Barnes Park rules stating that any non campers be requested to leave the park by 11:00 p.m. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the old generator be sold to J and J Auto Parts and Wrecker Service for \$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.

The matter of establishing a 10% raise in Construction Code Enforcement fees was referred to the Finance Committee.

The matter of eliminating the rent and loan payment of the Construction Code Enforcement Department was referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTION #16-06 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Laura Stanek

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 be authorized and directed to execute Contract No. 2006-0442 (Federal Project No. B-26-0011-1606) 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 #16.06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 to the Call of the Chair.

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman

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

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

Absent: Larry Bargy.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Dewey Benson, Medical Examiner, thanked the Board and Coordinator/Planner's office for all the help in reorganizing the Medical Examiner's office. He will be giving quarterly reports and an Annual Report. Ed Martel commented about the Sheriff Department and fugitives running loose in Echo Township. He also commented on the MDEQ overcharging applicants for soil erosion control permits. Public Comment closed at 9:10 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the minutes of June 8, 2006 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Charles Koop updated the Board on the lawsuit between the Antrim County treasurer and the State concerning tax foreclosures. The County of Appeals has upheld the Circuit Court's decision but says it applies to Antrim County only.

Mr. Koop also advised that the county should formulate a policy concerning what would be done with county properties obtained through the tax foreclosure procedures. The Habitat for Humanity is interested in obtaining county property obtained through tax foreclosure.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the matter of formulating a policy concerning what should be done with county properties obtained through tax foreclosure be referred to the Finance Committee. All voted yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Allen the Chairman be authorized to sign a letter to Grass River Inc. indicating the county intends to have a lease with Grass River Inc. for the Grass River Center. All voted yes.

RESOLUTION #17-06 by David Howelman, seconded by Joseph Allen

WHEREAS, the "Wickes" TCE Plume extends from the Dura Automotive plant in Mancelona to Shanty Creek Resort, approximately six miles away, and is progressing in a northwest direction. At the leading edge the plume is approximately 1.25 miles wide.

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WHEREAS, the TCE plume has had and will continue to have a tremendous potential impact on public health, may pose an environment hazard, and is negatively affecting the welfare of the general public.

WHEREAS, the plume has had substantial negative impact on the local economy since its discovery in 1985, including decreasing property values to the point certain properties are not marketable.

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has recently completed a six million dollar drinking water supply system to provide potable water to properties affected by the plume.

WHEREAS, in late 2002, M-DEQ took over as the lead agency and initiated an extensive investigation to identify the progression and scope of the groundwater contamination. Since the investigation was commenced, new residential wells have been found to be contaminated with TCE to levels in excess of six (6) times the safe drinking water standard.

WHEREAS, the MDEQ's investigation has resulted in the M-DEQ's request for funds from the Michigan State Legislators in an amount sufficient to extend the existing municipal water system to newly identified properties affected by the TCE groundwater contamination plume.

WHEREAS, ACUTE was formed in March of 2003 as a coalition of local unites of government, local regulatory agencies, citizen activists, homeowner associations, local businesses and environmental advocacy groups with the mission to facilitate a non-adversarial community consensus process aimed at solutions to the Plume, including extension of the existing public water system and remediation of the contamination.

WHEREAS, in furtherance of its mission, ACUTE has been in close communications with the M-DEQ, their contractors, local public officials, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) during their investigation of this plume.

WHEREAS, ACUTE and its members are concerned with protection of public health, environmental hazards, and protection of the local economy.

WHEREAS, ACUTE and its members strongly support the extension of the current municipal water system to protect the health and safety of the public and to protect the local economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Antrim County Board of Commissioners states as follows:

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1. It is necessary for the protection of public health, protection of the environment and protection of the local economy to extend the current water system to areas affected by the TCE Plume.
2. We strongly support and urge the Michigan's State Legislature to appropriate the necessary funds, as requested by the M-DEQ, to extend the municipal water system to areas affected by the TCE Plume and that these funds be included in the 2007-2008 State of Michigan Appropriations Budget.

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

No - None;

Absent – Barga.

RESOLUTION #17-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Dave Erickson from DTE presented a lease for a non-development, no surface operation in Helena Township (Grass River) in which Antrim County has a 25% interest. The matter was referred to the Prosecuting Attorney and the County Lands Committee.

The Board decided Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney, could act as counsel to the Antrim Farm and Family Fair Board during the negotiations for a lease with the Village of Bellaire for Craven Park.

Mike Crawford informed that UBU Construction would be remodeling the “old” health department of the 1978 County Building for use by the Equalization Department and Moon Electric would be doing the electrical. Moon is requesting an increase in the contract amount due to the rising costs of copper.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson that \$260.00 be added to the Moon Electric bid with the stipulation that this be the final adjustment with the exception of unforeseen circumstances that may arise during the work. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Barga.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$154,469.52 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Barga.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the time of the part time temporary employee in the Register of Deeds office be extended to September 1, 2006. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the following changes in the Construction Code Enforcement Department be implemented in 2006:

1. Payments on the loan from the Self Insured Reserve Fund not be made in 2006 and 2007.
2. Payments of rent for 2006 and 2007 be postponed until 2008 and succeeding years.
2. A 10% increase in fees be implemented effectively immediately.

Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – Blackmore; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$75,500 be transferred from Contingencies to Appropriations in the 2006 General Fund and consequently transferred to the Construction Code Enforcement Fund to remove the fund deficit of \$4,917 as revealed by the 2005 audit and the subsequent deficits in the first six months of 2006 and the budgets of both departments be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that eight vehicles be leased for the Sheriff Department from Ford for four years at a cost of \$51,144.32 per year and the Chairman be authorized to sign the lease agreement. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

The matter of leasing a vehicle for use by Marine and Snowmobile programs was tabled until August.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$13,500 be designated in the Capital Outlay Reserve Fund for replacement of computers containing Windows 98. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that video monitoring cameras be purchased from Sound and Video Systems for the Airport from the following sources: \$5,000 from Airport Capital Outlay, \$2,500 from the 2006 Airport operating budget, and \$3,932.25 from Contingencies and the corresponding budget adjustments be made. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod a letter be written to the Village of Elk Rapids informing them the County Board would support tax abatements for Elk Lake Tool Company and MTD Tool and Die LLC for up to 15 years. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen the Technology Implementation Plan Request for Proposals be circulated. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Robert Englebrecht, Equalization Director, introduced Blake Terhune, the new GIS Technician.

Bonnie Robbins from the Habitat for Humanity explained the Vision 2020 and why the Habitat wants the tax foreclosure properties in Mancelona. They intend to put affordable housing on them.

Alexis Kacsynski presented the North Country Community Mental Health update.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the draft contract between Antrim County and Kalkaska County for administration of the Housing program be approved. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek Resolution #40-05 of October 13, 2006 be rescinded. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the funds be released and the hiring process started for a driver at Antrim County Transportation. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the funds be released and the hiring process started for a Deputy Sheriff. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek that Beth Lacy be hired as Assistant cook at the Commission on Aging at the 6-month step of the pay grade and if she does not take the position, it be offered to Jody Garchow at the entry pay level and the third choice be Kate Lord at the entry pay level. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent- Bargo.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that J&W Construction (Joe Wirtz) be hired to the emergency work at Meadowview Apartment Building. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that \$5,000 for carpeting be added to the Prosecuting Attorney office remodeling project for 2006 to be paid for from Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund and the budget be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bary.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek an additional \$90,000 be budgeted in Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, for additional work (roof patching and re-roofing) on the Meadowview Apartments project. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bary.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Blackmore the Meadowview Apartments 2006 budget adjustments be approved: Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bary.

RESOLUTION #18-06 by David Howelman, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Fiscal Year 2007-2009 Multi Year 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 2007-2009 Multi Year Implementation Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan.”

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

RESOLUTION #18-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the rent at Meadowview Apartments be increased by 5% effective January 1, 2007 and an additional rent increase be reviewed in June of 2007. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bary.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign the 2006-2007 Child Care Fund agreement with the State of Michigan. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes- McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman a letter of agreement between Antrim County and the Antrim County Road Commission for the 60kw generator operation be approved contingent on legal counsel review and approval. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The matter of selecting bids on removal of the 60kw generator was tabled and referred to the Finance Committee.

There was discussion on the sale of 40 acres of county property located in Section 29 of Kearney Township, the proceeds from which would be used for purchase of the Sevald property.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that the county take bids on 40 acres of county property in Section 29 of Kearney Township (off Batchelder Rd) with reservation of the right to refuse any and all bids. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the following 2006 budget adjustments be approved:

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

The meeting adjourned at 12 Noon 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.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on changes to the new health code. Jim Gurr spoke on tax issues and Helena Township. Public Comment closed at 9:20 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the minutes of July 12, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Deborah Peters reported on the Veterans Affairs Department and requested a raise in the asset limit for qualification for veterans' burial allowance from \$25,000 to \$40,000. The matter was referred to the Human Services Committee.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$80,488.37 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 Howelman a truck be leased from Ford for up to \$5,488.24 per year (depending on if the model is 150 or 250) for four years to be paid half from the Snowmobile program and half from the Marine program. 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 Allen that the county acquire the property located at 507 Forest St in Mancelona through tax foreclosure and re-sell the property to Habitat for Humanity and that this action does not establish precedent and future requests will be considered on a case to case basis. 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 Prosecuting Attorney purchase computer equipment for \$7,400 as budgeted in Capital Outlay and \$176 to be paid from the Prosecuting Attorney's operating 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 \$20,500 be allocated for remodeling of the Prosecuting Attorney's office to be paid from Fund #470 with \$5,000 being reimbursed by the State and the budget of Fund #470 be adjusted accordingly. 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 Stanek, seconded by Dawson the County Treasurer purchase a printer for not to exceed \$1,000 to be paid from tax foreclosure funds. 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 Stanek, seconded by Allen that an additional cost of approximately \$210 be paid for the Petoskey Stone Festival. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #19-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, The Michigan Association of Counties is opposed to a guaranteed educational inflationary increase that would prevent counties from funding critical mandated services, and

WHEREAS, the *American School Board Journal* released their "Educational Vital Signs" report indicating that the State of Michigan ranks second only to Vermont in amount of state budget dedicated to education, with 31.5%, while the national average is 21.7%; and

WHEREAS, the national average teacher's salary is \$45,771, in Michigan the average is much higher, at \$54,000, which is second only to California at \$55,698; and

WHEREAS, the same report ranked Michigan 7th for dedication of administrative funding per pupil, but No. 1 outside of the Eastern Seaboard and Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties is very supportive of fair funding for educational resources for Michigan's students as a means for a thriving quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties is equally supportive of fair funding of critical emergency, local public health and public safety programs for Michigan's citizens as a means for a thriving quality of life as well; and

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WHEREAS, the State Legislature and Governor are obligated to provide funding for Michigan's counties and are to come back into revenue sharing beginning in F.Y. 2008, as part of a means for counties to provide these **state mandated** critical services; and

WHEREAS, if the K-16 spending mandate is passed will cost Michigan over \$1 billion dollars, with annual inflationary increases, that will surely cut into funding for revenue sharing, Medicaid, and other critical services counties and Michigan's citizens depend upon; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michigan's counties need to oppose the K-16 spending mandate in order to continue to provide the critical mandated services which the state requires, and that citizen's depend upon; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Representative Elsenheimer and Senator Allen, and the Governor for their review.

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

RESOLUTION #19-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the fee schedule for orthophotography and other GIS layers (see page) be adopted except that other units of governments and NWMCGOG will not be charged and non-profits will be handled on a case by case basis by the Administration and County Services Committee. 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 Robert Koop be hired as Act Bus Driver and if he is unwilling or unable to take the position, Laura Evans be offered the 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.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that repair and replacement of three areas of the roof at Meadowview Apartments be put out for bid. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

William Stockhousen of Michiana Hydroelectric Co. (Bellevue, MI) spoke on the possibility of his company leasing the Elk Rapids Hydroelectric Facility continuing to produce electricity as well as maintaining the lake levels. It was decided to hold a Public Works Committee meeting in Elk Rapids and to have Mark Stone continue communication with Mr. Stockhousen on the project.

Thomas and Denise Murray, whose property is subject to foreclosure due to non payment of property taxes requested the county to acquire the property through the foreclosure procedures and sell it to the Murrays for the cost of the taxes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman that the county acquire the property in Echo Township, Parcel Number 05-05-008-005-00 through the property tax foreclosure procedures and re-sell the property to Thomas and Denise Murray under conditions formulated by the County Attorney and that this action does not establish precedent and future requests will be handled on a case to case basis. 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 announced that if any requests for property acquisition through tax foreclosure procedures are received before the Property Auction, the Board will hold a special meeting.

RESOLUTION #20-06 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Eugene Dawson

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Antrim, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the County of Antrim 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 sixteen thousand six hundred sixty-seven dollars (\$16,667) dollars 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 regulate the use of the property acquired and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
4. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

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

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #20-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the proposed plans for the Ambulance District's ambulance barn be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Chairman by authorized to sign the Agreement between the County and the Antrim Conservation District for Forestry Management. The motion was tabled and referred to the Prosecuting Attorney.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore the Coordinator/Planner sign the Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness grant application for the Local Emergency Planning Committee. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

Jack White, Chairman called the Special Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance

Gail Ondrias of Echo Township requested the County obtain her property which is in tax foreclosure and re-sell it to her at cost of taxes plus expenses.

The County Treasurer informed that she had withdrawn that piece of property from the tax foreclosure auction due to a recent Supreme Court ruling stating that notice that have been returned undelivered have to delivered personally. She also informed that the inhabited property in Mancelona Township had also been withdrawn from the tax foreclosure auction.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign the purchase agreement with the Murray's concerning the transfer of the Echo Township property referred to at the August 10, 2006 regular meeting. 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 establishing a policy for County acquisition of property due to tax foreclosure and subsequent disposal of property was referred to the Administration/County Services Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 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 Bargo, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: Laura Stanek

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on the proposed Health Code. Public Comment closed at 9:07 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the minutes of August 10, 2006 and August 18, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Peter Garwood read a communication from Conrad Friedemann regarding creation of an area to honor esteemed and deserving county officials.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the claims and accounts totaling \$163,325.35 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Bargo that \$1,500 be added to the Window '98 Replacement Project budget. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the “old” generator be moved to the Road Commission in Mancelona to be set up as a back-up 911 center and the costs be paid from 911 funds. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the “Skinner” property be purchased from Grass River Natural Area Inc. for the Grass River Natural Area at a cost of \$49,000 to be paid from the Forestry Fund. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

Mr. McLeod from the Computer Committee reported that of the five proposals submitted Trimble Consulting and Plante and Moran had submitted proposals that would receive further consideration for the Technology Implementation Plan.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Fund #218, Information Technology Transition Fund, be created and up to \$28,000 be transferred to that fund from the General Fund and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

Mr. McLeod also reported that Huntington Bank (safe deposit box) had been selected to store computer back-ups.

The Chairman appointed Jake Veenstra to the Antrim Creek Natural Area Commission.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Jake Veenstra to the Antrim Creek Natural Area Commission be approved. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the annual enrollment date for VSP vision plan be changed to October 1 and a transfer to VSP IV plan be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the annual enrollment date for all Delta Dental plans be changed from January 1 to October 1. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It as moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the funds be released and employment procedures be implemented to fill the 2 vacant dispatcher positions.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford that Valerie Craft be granted an annual stipend of \$1,000 effective October 1, 2006 for her work as the web site manager and for the provision of technological services and if, at some time, the provision of these duties are assigned to a different department or contracted out, the stipend will be eliminated. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Bargy, White; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the following policy be adopted: No member of the Board of Commissioner shall pay a monthly health insurance cost share (payroll deduction) that exceeds the monthly salary of the individual involved, provided the individual elects to enroll in the county health insurance plan with the lowest premium rate. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the per diem for members of the Board of Commissioners and for members of any county boards whose amount for per diem is tied by statute to that of the Board of Commissioners set at \$55 for ½ day and \$75 for a full day effective January 1, 2007. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid for re-roofing Meadowview Apartments be awarded to Great Lakes Roofing for \$39,670 and the expenditures budget of Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, be increased by that amount. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Blackmore, Allen; No – Crawford; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that the budgeted amount for Meadowview exterior work be increased not to exceed \$162,000. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Bary carpeting be purchased from KISS Carpeting in Mancelona for the newly remodeled Equalization Department at a cost of \$2,461 and the expenditures budget for Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, be increased by that amount. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson a new gate be purchased for and installed in the Equalization office at a cost not to exceed \$3,900 and the expenditures budget for Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, be increased by that amount. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

RESOLUTION #21-06 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Robert McLeod

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE APPLICATION FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND (MNRTF) TO ACQUIRE PARK LANDS FOR INCLUSION IN THE GRASS RIVER NATURAL AREA. (\$2,025,000)

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopted the Antrim County Comprehensive Recreation plan on February 10, 2005, 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

Resolution #21-06 – continued

WHEREAS, new parcels have become available since the initial application for Trust Fund monies, and

WHEREAS, due to budgetary constraints, the County of Antrim 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 a grant application for funding through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund program for the above mentioned acquisitions at the Grass River Natural Area, in Forest Home and Custer Townships, 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%) as required.

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

RESOLUTION #21-06 ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by McLeod the signage standard shown in the sign for Antrim Creek Natural Area be adopted as the signage standard for all signs at Antrim County parks and other county-owned recreation areas. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Sheriff and vendors for the Sheriff Department gave a presentation on the 800 Mghz radio systems for law enforcement.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the complaint form as recommended by the Public Works Committee be adopted for the Antrim County Conservation District for the Soil Erosion Control program. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the Chairman be authorized to sign airport hangar leases as they come due. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was announced that John Strehl, Antrim County Airport Manager, had been named Manager of the Year by the Airport Managers Association.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Thursday, September 14, 2006

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss labor negotiation. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Board went into Closed Session at 11:55 a.m. and returned to Open Session at 12:25 p.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen that Priority Health Insurance be offered to members of bargaining units other than those who are in bargaining units whose contracts expire December 31, 2006, to the unrepresented county employees, and to the members of the Board of Commissioners, the full premium cost for one year to be paid by the County. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Stanek.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 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.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel spoke on the proposed Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Ordinance and on the District Health Dept. Health Code. Public Comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the minutes of September 14, 2006 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney, informed about the following matters:

- *Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Ordinance – issues with small lots.
- *Due to an agreement between the Sheriff and the Ottawa/Chippewa Tribes, there will be cross deputization.
- *The possible sale of the Mancelona “tax sale” property to Habitat for Humanity. The Chair directed Mr. Koop to continue with the sale.
- *Murray “tax sale” property. There has been no progress to date.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$93,352.92 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 Bargy the Circuit Court Probation office purchase a used phone system from Dennis Penrod for \$940.00 and that amount be transferred from Contingencies to Circuit Court Probation in the 2006 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 Bargy the Chairman sign a three-year contract with Westlaw for acquisition of materials for the Law Library at a cost of \$19,146.60 for 2007 with a possibility of a 4% increase over the remaining 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 Bargy a copier be purchased from Xerox for the Probate Court at a cost of \$1,950 to be paid partially from the unspent amount of \$1,674 in the 2006 budget and a transfer of \$276 from Contingencies to Capital Outlay in the 2006 General fund budget; and that \$910 be removed from the 2007 General Fund Budget for Probate Court Capital Outlay. 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 Stanek, seconded by Howelman the Chairman sign a three-year lease with Motorola for acquisition of the 800 mghz radio system with the first installment due at time of signing the contract and each payment approximately \$102,187 and the Sheriff be requested to employ every effort to obtain grants to help pay for the system. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – McLeod; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the expenditure budget of the Meadowview project in the Capital Projects Fund (Fund #470) be increased to \$205,000. 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 Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign the Cross-deputization Agreement between Antrim County and the Ottawa/Chippewa Tribe. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the funds be released for the vacant Deputy Sheriff position and the hiring process be started. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman of the Administration/County Services Committee reported that negotiations are starting with various Sheriff Department unions and Antrim County Transportation and continuing with the unrepresented.

There was discussion on the purchase of the Skinner property for Grass River Natural Area and the responsibilities of Board of Commissioners' committees in making property purchase decisions.

The Public Hearing on the 2007 General Fund budget began at 10:30 a.m. and closed at 10:50 a.m.

RESOLUTION #22-06 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Joseph Allen

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners sets the millage rate of 5.2014 for General Operating, 0.3852 for Commission on Aging, and 0.6937 for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility for 2007, and

BE IT ALSO HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopted the following General fund budget for 2007:

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE January 1, 2007	\$	500,000.00
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REVENUE

Taxes	\$	9,635,556.00	
Licenses & Permits		138,500.00	
Other Agencies		967,375.00	
Current Services		1,254,680.00	
Other Sources		<u>516,850.00</u>	<u>12,512,961.00</u>

TOTAL	\$	13,012,961.00
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EXPENDITURES

Commissioners	\$	119,670.00
Circuit Court		364,197.00
Family Division		453,817.00
Circuit Crt Probation		6,500.00
District Court		562,929.00
Friend of the Court		85,304.00
Probate Court		221,203.00
Jury Commission		6,000.00
Budget/Accounting Services		54,154.00
County Clerk		208,786.00
Communications		145,400.00
Computer		289,900.00
Purchasing		39,820.00
County Treasurer		188,676.00
Equalization		164,258.00
MSU Extension		105,356.00
Elections		32,150.00
Grove St. Annex		16,300.00
'05 Courthouse		94,292.00
Buildings & Grounds		302,623.00
Prosecuting Attorney		330,584.00

2007 General Fund budget – continued

Register of Deeds	147,847.00	
Microfilm	18,550.00	
Plat Board	250.00	
Pros. Atty.-Victims' Rights	54,271.00	
P.A. Child Support/IVD	58,676.00	
Drain Commissioner	10,433.00	
Abstract	96,330.00	
Survey & Remonumentation	30,000.00	
Sheriff	1,452,522.00	
Marine	85,394.00	
Secondary Roads	185,003.00	
Jail	370,718.00	
Emergency Services	44,725.00	
Gun Board	1,000.00	
Animal Control	116,136.00	
Animal Census	11,000.00	
Board of Public Works	-0-	
Dams	6,100.00	
Health	464,850.00	
Medical Examiner	22,250.00	
Welfare	397,400.00	
Veterans Affairs	66,649.00	
Resource Recovery	27,950.00	
Planning Commission	35,160.00	
Planner/Coordinator	175,599.00	
Economic Development Comm.	1,990.00	
Parks & Rec. Advisory Brd	5,150.00	
Parks – Cedar River N.A.	1,000.00	
Parks – Wetzell Lake Operating	5,000.00	
Parks – Eastport	215,461.00	
Parks – Elk Rapids	17,307.00	
Parks – Noteware, Mohr. etc.	5,000.00	
Insurance & Bonds	340,000.00	
Fringe Benefits	1,926,300.00	
Special Projects – other	525,000.00	
Capital Outlay	134,554.00	
Appropriations	<u>1,001,216.00</u>	\$ 11,848,710.00
ENDING FUND BALANCE December 31, 2007		<u>1,164,251.00</u>
TOTAL		\$ 13,012,961.00

Resolution #22-06 (General Fund budget) – continued

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following policies for implementation of the 2007 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 2007 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 2007 and not covered elsewhere by a union agreement and 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, 2007, the position shall immediately and automatically be deleted from the 2007 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 within the Cost Center provided sufficient data is provided by the Department Head definitely 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 #22-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen the 2007 budgets of Other Funds be approved as follows:

SELF INSURED RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	151,800.00
Revenue	3,000.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	154,800.00

SOLID WASTE RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	115,200.00
Revenue	5,000.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	120,200.00

VICTIMS RIGHTS RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	8,400.00
Revenue	400.00
Expenditures	200.00
Ending Fund Balance	8,600.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	125,000.00
Revenue	3,000.00
Expenditures	10,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	118,000.00

DAMS RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	644,200.00
Revenue	28,000.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	672,200.00

GAS & OIL ROYALTIES RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	48,000.00
Revenue	10,000.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	58,000.00

GRANT MATCH RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	244,000.00
Revenue	2,000.00
Expenditures	4,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	242,000.00

Other Funds – budgets – continued

ANTRIM CONSERVATION DISTRICT RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	51,000.00
Revenue	500.00
Expenditures	50,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,500.00

SPECIAL PROJECTS RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	357,500.00
Revenue	500.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	356,000.00

FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	-0-
Revenue	2,400.00
Expenditures	2,400.00
Ending Fund Balance	-0-

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY LEGAL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	500.00
Revenue	100.00
Expenditures	200.00
Ending Fund Balance	400.00

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TRANSITION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	28,300.00
Revenue	100.00
Expenditures	1,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	27,400.00

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT – DAMS – FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	35,600.00
Revenue	2,000.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	37,600.00

GRASS RIVER FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	11,000.00
Revenue	107,280.00
Expenditures	107,280.00
Ending Fund Balance	11,000.00

Other Funds – Budgets – continued

ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	11,000.00
Revenue	3,850.00
Expenditures	3,850.00
Ending Fund Balance	11,000.00

FORESTRY FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	168,000.00
Revenue	55,200.00
Expenditures	42,500.00
Ending Fund Balance	180,700.00

ANTRIM CREEK FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	61,800.00
Revenue	31,000.00
Expenditures	20,590.00
Ending Fund Balance	72,210.00

PARKS FUNDRAISER FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	400.00
Revenue	510.00
Expenditures	500.00
Ending Fund Balance	410.00

PUBLIC ACCESS BOOK FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	175.00
Revenue	95.00
Expenditures	200.00
Ending Fund Balance	70.00

BARNES PARK GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	9,000.00
Revenue	10,000.00
Expenditures	10,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	9,000.00

GIS IMPLEMENTATION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	14,500.00
Revenue	4,000.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	18,500.00

Other Funds – Budgets – continued

EDC REVOLVING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	2,800.00
Revenue	200.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	3,000.00

CONSTRUCTION CODE ENFORCEMENT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	35,000.00
Revenue	612,340.00
Expenditures	646,516.00
Ending Fund Balance	824.00

ROAD PATROL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	40,000.00
Revenue	445,339.00
Expenditures	445,339.00
Ending Fund Balance	40,000.00

HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	36,000.00
Revenue	1,000.00
Expenditures	300.00
Ending Fund Balance	36,700.00

REGISTER OF DEEDS AUTOMATION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	74,800.00
Revenue	83,000.00
Expenditures	126,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	31,800.00

BUDGET STABILIZATION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	601,500.00
Revenue	26,000.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	627,500.00

911 TRAINING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	5,300.00
Revenue	4,000.00
Expenditures	4,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	5,300.00

Other Funds – Budgets – continued

EMERG. SERV. – TOTAL GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	100.00
Revenue	100.00
Expenditures	100.00
Ending Fund Balance	100.00

E-911 OPERATING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	550,000.00
Revenue	510,000.00
Expenditures	656,585.00
Ending Fund Balance	403,415.00

E-911 WIRELESS FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	200,000.00
Revenue	109,910.00
Expenditures	99,910.00
Ending Fund Balance	210,000.00

DRIVING INTOXICATED (257.625n) FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	60.00
Revenue	6,060.00
Expenditures	6,060.00
Ending Fund Balance	60.00

LOCAL CORRECTIONS OFFICER'S TRAINING

Beginning Fund Balance	15,500.00
Revenue	8,400.00
Expenditures	8,400.00
Ending Fund Balance	15,500.00

JAIL INMATE PROCEEDS FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	15,000.00
Revenue	15,700.00
Expenditures	15,700.00
Ending Fund Balance	15,000.00

MI JUSTICE TRAINING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	-0-
Revenue	3,000.00
Expenditures	3,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	-0-

Other Funds – Budgets – continued

LAW LIBRARY FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	800.00
Revenue	23,000.00
Expenditures	20,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	3,800.00

HOUSING PROJECT INCOME FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	1,000.00
Revenue	50,500.00
Expenditures	50,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,500.00

EMERG. SERV. TOTAL GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	-0-
Revenue	5,000.00
Expenditures	4,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,000.00

A.C. HOUSING 03/04 CDBG GRANT

Beginning Fund Balance	15,000.00
Revenue	400.00
Expenditures	5,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	10,400.00

SNOWMOBILE GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	15,000.00
Revenue	24,434.00
Expenditures	23,678.00
Ending Fund Balance	15,756.00

HOUSING CDBG 2005 2006 FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	500.00
Revenue	5,000.00
Expenditures	1,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	4,500.00

CLEAN LAKES FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	7,000.00
Revenue	300.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	7,300.00

Other Funds – Budgets – continued

REVENUE SHARING RESERVE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	6,000,000.00
Revenue	2,368,371.00
Expenditures	338,526.00
Ending Fund Balance	8,029,845.00

PROBATE GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	4,000.00
Revenue	100.00
Expenditures	100.00
Ending Fund Balance	4,000.00

EMERG. SERV. LEPC GRANT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	616.00
Revenue	100.00
Expenditures	100.00
Ending Fund Balance	616.00

HOMEBUYERS PURCHASE REHAB FUND

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

VETERANS RELIEF FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	4,000.00
Revenue	45,000.00
Expenditures	45,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	4,000.00

VETERANS TRUST FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	400.00
Revenue	5,000.00
Expenditures	4,025.00
Ending Fund Balance	1,375.00

MEADOWVIEW SENIOR HOUSING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	50,000.00
Revenue	133,580.00
Expenditures	133,950.00
Ending Fund Balance	49,630.00

Other Funds – budgets – continued

'05 COURTHOUSE DEBT RETIREMENT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	14,500.00
Revenue	500.00
Expenditures	-0-
Ending Fund Balance	15,000.00

ELK RAPIDS FISHING PARK FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	7,800.00
Revenue	500.00
Expenditures	1,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	7,300.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS – Bldgs. & Structures

Beginning Fund Balance	350,000.00
Revenue	30,000.00
Expenditures	50,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	330,000.00

AIRPORT OPERATING FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	-0-
Revenue	435,184.00
Expenditures	428,672.00
Ending Fund Balance	6,512.00

ELK RAPIDS HYDRO UTILITY SYSTEM FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	197,000.00
Revenue	134,000.00
Expenditures	62,700.00
Ending Fund Balance	268,300.00

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

Robert Englebrecht presented the 2007 Apportionment Report.

(see pp)

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the 2007 Apportionment Report 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 Stanek, seconded by Allen that Trimble Consulting be hired to prepare the Technology Implementation Plan at a cost not to exceed \$28,000. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Michael Meriwether, Forester for the Antrim Conservation District, gave a presentation on Forestry activities on County-owned forest lands and the importance of returning proceeds from Forestry projects to the forest lands, and gave recommendations for a Forestry Fund policy.

The matter of disposition of county interest in the trail adjacent to Grass River Natural Area which is not owned by the county was tabled and will be referred to legal counsel.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:03 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid from Beal Creek Masonry for \$1,500 to repair the Veterans Memorial at the Antrim County Building be accepted. 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 Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid from Bert's Excavating for a two-year snowplowing contract for \$13,500 per year be accepted with the stipulation that no additional be paid for unusually above average amount of snowfall. 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 Crawford, seconded by McLeod that Fund #235, Petoskey Stone Fund Festival Fund, be established and \$200.00 be transferred from the General Fund to Fund #235, and the budgets of both funds be adjusted for this change. 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 #23-06 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Robert McLeod

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners has the authority to contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for State and/or Federal funds for passenger transportation related services; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve Master Agreement Number 2007-0163;

Resolution #23-06 – continued

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Jack White, Chairman, be authorized and directed to execute said Agreement 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 #23-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #24-06 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Robert McLeod

WHEREAS, this resolution shall approve execution of Project Authorizations for any programs designated by the Antrim County Board of Commissioners and/or Project Authorizations for any amount determined by the Antrim County Board of Commissioners with the Michigan Department of Transportation which are issued under Agreement No. 2007-0163;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Transportation Committee Chairman is authorized to enter into and execute on behalf of Antrim County Board of Commissioners all such Project Authorizations with the Michigan Department of Transportation for passenger transportation related services for the Agreement period.

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

RESOLUTION #24-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Blackmore the Chairman with the Transportation Director be given authority to make arrangements for a temporary Antrim County Transportation Director in the event the present Director has to take leave of absence. 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 Howelman the five-year plan at the Antrim County 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.

The Chairman appointed Mark Stone, Peter Garwood, Leonard Klein, Joseph Allen, and Charles Koop as an ad hoc committee to pursue negotiations with Michiana Hydroelectric company for lease and/of purchase of the Elk Rapids Hydro Facility.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the appointment of the ad hoc committee for negotiations for possible purchase and/or lease of the Elk Rapids Hydro Facility by Michiana Hydroelectric Company 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 decided to return the invoice from Moore Plumbing and Heating to committee.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the asset limit for qualification for veterans burial allowance be increased from \$25,000 to \$40,000. 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 that following budget adjustments be approved:

	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
GENERAL FUND		
<u>Revenue</u>		
From Taxes	175,017	
From Licenses & Permits	500	
From Other Agencies	76,100	
From Current Services	199,800	
From Other Sources	54,100	
 <u>Expenditures</u>		
Airport – gas & oil	7,000	
Secondary roads - gas & oil	4,000	
Jail – utilities	5,500	
Parks – fringes & equip maint	1,500	
Insurance – misc	4,500	
Fringes – annuity & workers comp	45,800	
 GAS & OIL ROYALTIES RESERVE		
Revenue – from gas & oil	5,000	
 CONSERVATION DISTRICT RESERVE		
Revenue – interest	500	

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, October 12, 2006

Budget adjustments – continued	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
SPECIAL PROJECTS RESERVE		
Revenue – interest	5,200	
PARKS FUNDRAISER FUND		
Revenue	900	
Expenditures	1,200	
EMERGENCY SERVICES – TOTAL GRANT		
Revenue – from grant	1,300	
Expenditures – training	650	
911 WIRELESS FUND		
Revenue – phone	38,000	
LOCAL CORRECTIONS OFFICERS FUND		
Revenue – booking fees	4,200	
Expenditures – training	1,000	
JAIL INMATE PROCEEDS FUND		
Revenue	4,000	
HOUSING PROJECT INCOME		
Revenue – debt payments	50,000	
Expenditures – to other funds	10,000	
03/04 CDBG GRANT		
Revenue – from other funds & grant	65,000	
Expenditures – projects	45,000	
HOUSING 05-06		
Revenue – from grant	35,000	
Expenditures – services	21,000	
EMERGENCY SERVICES 05 SUPPLEMENTAL		
Expenditures	22,000	
PROBATE GRANT FUND		
Revenue – from grant	1,500	
Expenditures	2,400	

Budget adjustments – continued

HOMEBUYERS PURCHASE GRANT

Revenue – from grant	52,500
Expenditures – projects	14,000

ELK RAPIDS HYDRO FUND

Revenue – interest	18,000
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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 the Chairman be authorized to sign the agreement with Norlight for the telephone system maintenance and the payment of \$5,591 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 matter of honoring notable county officials which was introduced by letter from Conrad Friedemann was referred to the Administration Committee for further consideration. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Allen the purchase by Robert McLeod of five year military service toward his retirement be approved and the Chairman be authorized to sign same. 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 \$100 be allocated towards refreshments for the October 19 Trails Meeting at the Antrim Conservation District. 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 2:35 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.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on environmental problems for old people and on the county Master Plan. Public Comment closed at 9:10 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Stanek the minutes of October 12, 2006 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod the claims and accounts totaling \$77,063.46 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 attorney fees in the 2006 General Fund – District Court budget be increased by \$22,000.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – Crawford; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod that \$100,000 be transferred from the General Fund (Sheriff Capital Outlay) to Capital Outlay Reserve Fund in 2006 and the 2006 budgets be adjusted accordingly and the 2007 Capital Outlay Reserve Fund expenditure (to General Fund) budget be increased by \$100,000 and the 2007 General Fund expenditure budget (Sheriff Capital Outlay) be increased by \$100,000. 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 Stanek, seconded by McLeod the 2007 Sheriff Department budget be increased by \$8,240 for the increase of part time court officer's hours to 29 hours per week. 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 2007 Airport Capital Outlay budget of \$5,884 for a door on a hangar to accommodate a snowplow 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 Howelman that \$1,728 be transferred from various line items in the 2006 Prosecuting Attorney budget to Fund #470 for additional remodeling in the Prosecuting Attorney's office. 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 McLeod, that the budget for remodeling in the Equalization area be increased by \$825.00. 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 McLeod the estimate from Drenth Brothers for \$1,150 for providing paving gravel for the parking lot at Barnes Park be accepted. 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 Crawford that 8 picnic table frames be purchased from Game time for \$1,860. 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 Allen the Chairman be authorized to sign the Agreement with Trimble Consulting for the Technology Implementation Plan (TIP). 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 #25-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, because many people of all ages have been or are now being pressured into mortgage contracts designed to deprive them of their property, not to help them as claimed; and

WHEREAS, because a disproportionate share of these families are senior citizens, or belong to minority groups, or both; and

WHEREAS, because the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that in Michigan, mortgage fraud losses alone jumped from \$9 million in 2003 to \$26 million in 2005; and

WHEREAS, because State Representatives Rick Baxter of Concord, Fran Amos of Waterford, and Jim Marleau of Lake Orion have introduced a set of bills in our state legislature to:

Resolution #25-06 – continued

1. Make mortgage fraud a felony incurring a maximum of ten years in prison for one misrepresentation on one property (and/or maximum fine \$50,000) or twenty year for one or more misrepresentations on two or more properties (and/or maximum fine \$100,000) [HB 6432, amending 1931 Pa 328, and HB 6433 amending 1927 PA 175; both passed and sent to Senate 9/19/96]
2. Make fraudulent appraisal (appraising a recently bought property at too high a level so that it can be resold at or near the fraudulent amount) a misdemeanor incurring a maximum of three years in prison (and/or maximum fine 45,000) [HB 6434, amending 1980 PA 299; passed and sent to Senate 9/19/06]
3. Subject to coercion or inducement to appraise fraudulently to a potential civil fine, potential license suspension/revocation/non-renewal, and/or restitution requirement for each instance [HB 6435, amending 1987 PA 173; passed and sent to Senate 9/19/06]
4. Enable victims of mortgage fraud to sue for restitution under consumer protection laws [HB 6436, amending 1976 PA 331; passed and sent to Senate 9/19/06]
5. Enable the Michigan Attorney General to use the Real Estate Enforcement Fund in mortgage fraud cases, not merely to prosecute unlicensed real estate activity [HB 6267, amending 1979 PA 152; passed and sent to Senate 9/19/06]; and

WHEREAS, because this grave problem has recently been brought to national attention by the July. 2006 Reader's Digest article, "Cheated Out of House and Home," by Max Alexander, on pages 136 to 142 of that issue, and also a September/October 2006 AARP magazine article, "Sudden Debt," by Barry Yeoman, on pages 78 to 83 and page 101 of that issue.

THERE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, at our meeting on November 9, 2006, urge our own state legislators to do all in their power to support these bills and to get them enacted in the current legislature either as they stood at the second reading or in stronger form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge every local governing body in Antrim County and every local governing body in Michigan to pass a similar resolution and send it to the lawmakers in their areas; and

Resolution #25-06 – continued

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that we urge everyone to be on guard against mortgage fraud and appraisal fraud.

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

RESOLUTION #25-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #26-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, House Bill (HB) 6391 has been introduced in the House; and

WHEREAS, HB 6391 is a bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled “the General Property Tax Act” by amending section 24f (MCL, 211.24f) as amended by 2000 PA 244; and

WHEREAS, section 24f(5) proposed amendment state “A county shall only submit a proposal on a question of imposing a new county-wide millage or increasing or renewing an existing countywide millage at a general November election. As used in this subsection, “General November Election” means that term as defined in Section 2 of the Michigan Election Law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.2.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby goes on record in strong opposition to HB 6391.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, Michigan Association of Counties, and the other 82 Michigan Counties.

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

RESOLUTION #26-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #27-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, according to a May 7th Detroit News Article the state has lost approximately \$300 million in revenue sharing from Michigan’s tribal compact agreements since 1999; and

Resolution #27-06 – continued

WHEREAS, during the same time period statutory revenue sharing to locals has been cut by over 42 billion, PILT payments to communities have been frozen, the remonumentation fund has been raided and local public health programs have been cut; and

WHEREAS, many of the tribal compact agreements provide for 2% of slot machine revenue to be shared locally, however some tribes dedicate their 2% payment to charities of their own choosing, circumventing the obligation to share with local units of government; and

WHEREAS, at a time when state budget cuts have reached historic proportions and no source of revenue should be simply “left on the table”; and

WHEREAS, the recent elimination of the state’s Single Business Tax, and the potential voter approval of the K-16 spending mandate add great uncertainty to the state’s budget; and

WHEREAS, Michigan’s counties are scheduled to gradually come back into the revenue sharing formula beginning with the 2007 budget cycle, fulfilling the 2004 agreement between the Governor and the Michigan Association of Counties; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners urges the Governor and Legislature to provide for more stringent enforcement of the State’s tribal compact agreements for the benefit of state and local community budgets’ and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jennifer Granholm, members of the Michigan Legislature, and Michigan’s 83 counties.

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

RESOLUTION #27-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #28-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, much of Northern Michigan’s economic base is closely tied to forestry, logging, manufacturing of timber products, hunting, fishing, off road vehicle use, and other tourism industries; and

Resolution #28-06 – continued

WHEREAS, Michigan's three national forests, the Ottawa, Hiawatha and Huron-Manistee, are in the process of updating their forest management plans; and

WHEREAS, the revision process allows for public appeals of the final management alternative selected by the U.S. Forest Service (USFS); and

WHEREAS, 19 appeals to the plans were received by the three national forest groups which would severely curtail or cease timber harvest by focusing on old-growth management as opposed to species diversity management; and

WHEREAS, the appeals also would limit or eliminate public access by disallowing motorized vehicle access in large areas of the national forests; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Forest Products Council (MFPC) has decided to pursue legal avenues to provide comments to the USFS on 5 of the 19 appeals; and

WHEREAS, a broad-based coalition including the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Cycle conservation Club of Michigan, Blue Ribbon Coalition, Michigan Snowmobile Association, Lake States Resource Alliance, Ruffed Grouse Society and the Michigan Forest Products Council has been assembled to submit comments on the appeals under the umbrella of the MFPC's intervener status; and

WHEREAS, management plans which do not support diversity of timber species do not provide for adequate habitat for game species such as deer, grouse, turkeys and other non-game wildlife species; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners strongly supports maximum timber harvest yield and reforestation and strongly supports Michigan's tourism industry as vital cogs of a strong Michigan economy; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners supports joining the coalition assembled under the umbrella of the MFPC as the appeals filed to the management plans clearly run counter to the organization's platform with regards to timber management and tourism; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be submitted to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, the other 82 Michigan Counties, and to the USFS Intervention Coalition Partners.

Resolution #28-06 – continued

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

No - Allen;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #28-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Robert Englebrecht, Equalization Director, presented the 2006 Apportionment Report with revisions dictated by the results of the November 7, 2006 General Election. (see pages)

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the revised 2006 Apportionment Report be accepted. 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 Transportation Committee reported the Airport would be closed November 13 – 17, 2006 for preparations for oil and gas drilling.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign the maintenance agreement for the new 911 generator at a cost of \$492.00 for the year. 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 Crawford, seconded by Dawson the quote from the Carpet Barn of \$596.34 to remove carpet and install vinyl in the 1st floor lunch room of the Antrim County Building 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.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the Chairman of the Parks Committee and the Board Chairman be authorized to select a quote on provision of a water softener at Barnes Park. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Dewey Benson, Medical Examiner, presented a quarterly report.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that in the agreement with Michiana for lease of the Elk Rapids Hydro Facility, cleaning of the trash racks be included. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Ed Martel spoke on the short comings of the proposed Health Code and suggested it go to the Health and Public Safety Committee before being presented to the Board.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen the bid from Fahl Forest Products for \$30,150 for timber cutting on Antrim County property Section 29 of Chestonia Township 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 Blackmore, seconded by Barga the Chairman be authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Antrim Conservation District. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

David Howelman reported on the ACUTE group and the TCE problem in Mancelona and adjoining townships.

The meeting adjourned 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

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Jerroll Drenth, newly elected Commissioner from District #1 presented a hand-made wooden plaque to outgoing District #1 Commissioner, Robert McLeod, in recognition of his outstanding service to the County. Bill Trahan spoke in support of the new health code. Ed Martel advised about the advantages of the new health code. Patty Niepoth reported that H.B. 1524 would not be coming to the floor of the House. Ed Martel spoke on the state tax code. Public Comment closed at 9:14 a.m.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the minutes of November 9, 2006 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Prosecuting Attorney Charles Koop informed about the status of the Murray and Habitat for Humanity tax parcels. He also reported that requests for gas & oil leases had been received for the Meadowbrook facility and surrounding lands.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign purchase agreements and deeds for sale of the Murray and Habitat for Humanity properties. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blakemore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Coordinator/Planner Peter Garwood informed that the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance would like support for small business incubators they are locating around the area.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Allen the Chairman be authorized to sign a letter of support for the small business incubators which are being established in the area by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Mr. Garwood also reported that Cheboygan County had expressed an interest in joining the NLEA and Director Andy Hayes would be addressing the Board in January on that subject.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod, the claims and accounts totaling \$86,388.98 be approved and paid. 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 Stanek, seconded by Bargy the 2007 budget for Sheriff Capital Outlay be increased by \$2,700 for completion of the evidence room. 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 Stanek, seconded by McLeod the 2007 expenditure budget of Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, be increased by \$70,000 for installation of new carpeting in the 1978 County Building. 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 Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the 2007 expenditure budget of Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, be increased by \$1,733 for addition expense for remodeling of the Abstract Department area of the 1978 County Building. 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 Stanek, seconded by McLeod the 2006 expenditure budget for costs for disposal of household hazardous waste be increased by \$3,459.46. 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 Stanek, seconded by Allen that Ferguson and Chamberlain be hired to survey the Antrim County property on Leonard Road – Section 28 of Custer Township at a cost of \$3,290 with the stipulation that the results of the survey be recorded in the Register of Deeds office. 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 as moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the 2006 expenditure budget of Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, be increased by \$33,000 for completion of the Meadowview Project. 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 Stanek, seconded by Blackmore, the hours of the Veterans Counselor be increased to 30 hours per week for January and February, 2007. 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 McLeod the Probate Court purchase a digital tape recorder for \$6,545.00 and this amount be transferred from legal expense to Probate Court Capital Outlay in the 2006 General Fund budget. 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 that \$40,000 be transferred in December from the General Fund to the Commission on Aging Fund and returned in February, 2007 and the budgets of both years be adjusted accordingly. 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 McLeod the 2006 expenditure budget of the Abstract Department be increased by \$800.00 for purchase of 2 monitors and the 2007 expenditure budget of the Abstract Department be increased by \$800.00 for purchase of 2 additional monitors. 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 Crawford, the Maintenance Director purchase a tractor from Voelker Implement of Lake City for \$10,000 as budgeted in the 2007 General fund budget. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Mark Randolph, Grass River, informed about enrolling county forest lands in the Chicago carbon exchange. The expected revenue from this would be approximately \$6.00 per acre. The matter was referred to the Lands Committee.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Howelman the funds be restored to fill the vacant position in the Maintenance Department. 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 agreement with the Unrepresented Employees be approved and the following wages for 2007 be established:

County Clerk	\$	50,948.31
Stipend		10,223.00
County Treasurer		49,901.76

Unrepresented wages – continued

Drain Commissioner	8,142.57	
Register of Deeds	47,857.51	
Sheriff	58,804.60	
Stipend	6,890.00	
Prosecuting Attorney	81,205.16	
Stipend	11,216.00	
Stipend	6,400.00	
Abstractor	46,350.85	
ACT Director	53,567.25	55,176.00 (6/1/07)
ACT Secretary	15.32/hr	
Adm. Asst. - Cord/Plan	18.11/hr	
Adm Asst. Pros. Atty.	16.89/hr	17.40/hr (5/22/07)
Airport Manager	46,485.00	
Asst. Pros. Atty	50,854.52	
Assoc. Planner	37,061.97	38,208.00 (8/1/07)
Building Official	52,468.73	54,043.00 (7/5/07)
Chief Asst. Pros. Atty.	63,279.91	
Comm. On Aging Director	43,571.61	
Stipend	1,560.00	
Coordinator/Planner	63,033.01	
Coord/Planner Secretary	14.79/hr	
Emergency Services Coord.	23,161.93	
Equalization Director	55,937.18	
Housing Director	38,066.58	
Jail Nurse	51,475.00	
Maintenance Director	39,176.89	
Parks Manager	15.77/hr	
Undersheriff	54,052.62	
Veteran's Counselor	15,209.79	
Victim's Advocate	32,181.47	

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 Prosecuting Attorney be given a 3.3% increase in wages (see previous motion) for his salary and legal representation stipend and the cooperative reimbursement stipend remain at \$6,400. 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 Laura Evans be hired as a driver at Antrim County Transportation. 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 Chairman be authorized to sign the contract between Antrim County and the Bellaire Computer Center, yearly payment to BCC to be \$80,000. 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 Allen the Chairman be authorized to sign the contract with Kalkaska County for sharing of administration of the housing programs. 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:

Road Commission	Glen Paradis	term expires 12/31/2012
Economic Development Corp/ Brownfield Redevelopment	Tom Lane	term expires 12/31/2009
	Peter Garwood	term expires 12/31/2009
Solid Waste & Recycling Council	Mike McPherson	term expires 12/31/2012
	Jim Palmer	term expires 12/31/2012
	Raelene Reilly	term expires 12/31/2012
Veterans Affairs Committee	George Ouvry	term expires 12/31/2010
	Raymond Rayl	term expires 12/31/2010
Board of Public Works	Adam Jankowski	term expires 01/01/2010
	Leonard Klein	term expires 01/01/2010
Commission on Aging	Bob Straw	term expires 01/01/2008
	Mary Kokosky	term expires 01/01/2008
	Ed Bradford	term expires 01/01/2008
	Don Schuiteman	term expires 01/01/2008
Planning Commission	Jill Barnard	term expires 12/31/2009
	Marshall Wright	term expires 12/31/2009
	Terry Morris	term expires 12/31/2009
Housing Commission	Burt Thompson	term expires 01/01/2010
Construction Code Brd of Appeals	Edgar Boettcher	term expires 12/31/2008
	Michael Lanning	term expires 12/31/2008
E-911 Board	Bill Chapman	term expires 01/01/2010
	Burt Thompson	term expires 01/01/2010
	Daniel Robinson	term expires 01/01/2010

Appointments – continued

Farmland & Open Space

Preservation Board	Heidi Lang	term expires 12/31/2009
Antrim Creek Natural Area Comm.	Carl Veenstra	term expires 01/01/2010

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 the members of the Board of Commissioners be subject to the same caps on health insurance premiums as those in the General Unit. 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 Stanek the Coordinator/Planner receive a 3.3% increase in wages for 2007 (see previous motion). 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 the Chairman be authorized to sign the approved contract between Antrim County and the Teamsters Union representing the employees at Antrim County Transportation. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – McLeod, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Transportation Committee presented the proposed Antrim County Transportation Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy. (See p)

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by McLeod the Antrim County Transportation Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy be approved. 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 the Board support the Solid Waste and Recycling Council in their efforts to approach the townships for support of a countywide recycling program utilizing Public Act 138 of 1989. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that the Building Official proceed with initiating a Construction Code change concerning remodeling of manufactured homes. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Dawson the Board of Commissioners prefers Option 2 for lease of the Mancelona Township Senior Center (lease of the building for five (5) days per week at a cost of \$25.00 per day) if also agreed to by the Commission on Aging. 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 of the Parks Committee announced the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund had awarded a 2.1 million dollar grant for acquisition and improvement of land at the Grass River Natural Area.

The County has received a dividend of \$35,000 from the Michigan Workers' Compensation Fund.

The matter of establishing bid specifications for surveys was referred to the Lands committee.

It was moved by Bary, the District Health Department Sanitary Code be approved. Motion died for lack of support.

It was moved by McLeod, seconded by Crawford the proposed Sanitary Code be sent to all townships for review with the request that all comments be returned in time for action to be taken at the January 11, 2007 meeting. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by McLeod, the budget adjustments (see p) 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.

RESOLUTION 29-06 by Robert McLeod, seconded by David Howelman

WHEREAS, Jim Boni has been employed by Antrim County since March 20, 1979; and,

WHEREAS, during that time, Jim Boni has provided excellent service to the People of Antrim County as Maintenance worker from March, 1979, to December, 1997; and,

WHEREAS, Jim Boni was promoted to Maintenance Foreman January, 1998, and served in that capacity until December, 2006; and,

WHEREAS, all of us here at Antrim County have come to appreciate Jim's optimistic attitude and cheerful greeting daily;

Resolution #29-06 – continued

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Antrim County, expresses sincere appreciation to

JIM BONI

for 27 years of outstanding, dedicated service to the citizens of Antrim County.

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

RESOLUTION #29-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #30-06 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, Robert McLeod has been an Antrim County Commissioner since January 1, 1997; and,

WHEREAS, from 1997 through 2003 Robert McLeod provided significant leadership as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, Robert McLeod also served as Chairman of the Administration and County Services Committee from 1997 through 2006, providing extremely valuable guidance on personnel and policy issues; and,

WHEREAS, Robert McLeod also served on several other committees and commissions, always as a key member, during his ten years of service; and,

WHEREAS, all of us here at Antrim County have come to appreciate Robert McLeod's integrity and loyalty to Antrim County; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Antrim County, expresses sincere appreciation to

ROBERT McLEOD

for 10 years of outstanding, dedicated service to the citizens of Antrim County.

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Resolution #30-06 – continued

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

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #30-06 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

The Board members and Department Heads attended a lunch at Shanty Creek in honor of Bob McLeod.