

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, January 5, 2009

Laura Sexton, County Clerk called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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| Present: | Jerroll Drenth | District #01 |
| | Eugene Dawson | District #02 |
| | Jack White | District #04 |
| | David Howelman | District #05 |
| | Michael Crawford | District #06 |
| | Laura Stanek | District #07 |
| | Bernard Blackmore | District #08 |
| | Joseph Allen | District #09 |
| Absent: | Larry Bargy | District #03 |

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. David Howelman nominated Laura Stanek.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the nominations be closed. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The results of the vote for Chairman were as follows:

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| Jack White | 5 |
| Laura Stanek | 3 |

Jack White was declared Chairman.

The clerk requested nominations for Vice Chairman. Michael Crawford nominated Laura Stanek.

It was moved White, seconded by Crawford 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.

With the consent of the Chairman, the County Clerk remained acting as Chairman.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the regular meeting date of the Board of Commissioners be the 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford,

Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy

RESOLUTION #01-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Jack White

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

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, Antrim County shall comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1992 in the employment and retention of personnel, and all other phases pursuant to these Acts, and affirms its policy prohibiting discriminatory practices, policies, and customs that violate the rights of any citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age weight, height, marital status, or physical disability and/or ability and hereby adopts a broadened policy encouraging participation of minorities, the handicapped, and the disabled as much as currently permitted by Michigan Proposal #2 as passed by vote of the people of Michigan at the November 7, 2006 General Election.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - Crawford

Absent – Bargy.

RESOLUTION #01-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #02-09 by Laurie Stanek, seconded by Jerroll Drenth

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. 344 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 - Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen.

No - None;

Absent – Bargo.

RESOLUTION #02-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #03-09 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 2008 Annual Report in the form stipulated by the Board of Commissioners before or on the second Thursday in May, 2009; 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, MSU Extension Director, Housing Director, Medical Examiner, Commission on Aging Director, Emergency Services Coordinator, Meadowview Apartments Manager, and Veterans’ Counselor; and also the following Departments: Antrim-Kalkaska Community Mental Health, Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility, and Family Independence Agency.

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

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

No - None;

Absent – Bargo.

RESOLUTION #03-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Antrim County Commissioners’ Procedures as approved on April 13, 2000 and amended on February 8, 2001, February 14, 2002, November 14, 2002 and February 9, 2006 continue to be used in the year 2009. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – White

RESOLUTION #04-09 by Laurie Stanek, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, under generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Department of Treasury – State of Michigan, all Antrim County expenditures shall have prior approval of the governing body, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by audit that Antrim County shall comply with this

accounting standard,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that all Antrim County expenditures in General Fund Type, Special Revenue Fund Type, Capital Projects Fund Type, and Enterprise Fund Type funds be approved for 2009 at the monthly meeting of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners with some exceptions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the following expenditures be considered the exceptions and be considered approved by passage of this Resolution:

1. Special Revenue Fund types for which the payment approval has been designated to another board or agency either by law or by action of the Board of Commissioners including but not limited to Meadowbrook Operating Fund, Road Commission, Veterans Affairs, Child Care, Register of Deeds Automation, Meadowview Operating, Commission on Aging, and other similar Funds.
2. Special Revenue Fund types that involve grant agreements including but not limited to Housing grants, Parks grants, Emergency Services grants, Dial-a-ride grants, Law Enforcement grants, Commission on Aging grants, and other similar Funds.
3. Appropriations to other Agencies as designated in the current year's budgets.
4. Any payroll and related fringe benefit expenses.
5. Expenditures which lack of timely payment results in late fees including but not limited to utilities, credit cards, and other similar expenses.
6. Contractual obligations including but not limited to trash removal, plowing, construction projects, computer services, maintenance contracts, insurance and other similar expenditures.
7. Any expense which the Chief Administrative/Fiscal Officer deems, due to circumstances, should be paid immediately, such expense to be signed as approved by the Chief Administrative/fiscal Officer.

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

No - None;

Absent – Bargy.

RESOLUTION #04-09 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION #05-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by David Howelman

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the Antrim County board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following institutions and their subsidiaries as depositories or services of Antrim County funds for the year, 2009:

Alden State Bank

Bank of America

Bay Winds Federal Credit Union

Charlevoix State Bank

Chemical Bank
Citizens Bank
Comerica Bank
Fifth Third Bank
First Federal of Northern Michigan
Flagstar Bank
Huntington Bank
National City Bank
Northwestern Bank
The Private Bank
Citigroup
Fifth Third Securities, Inc
J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.
MBIA-Municipal Investors of Michigan Class
Merrill Lynch
UBS Financial Service Inc

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

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

No - None;

Absent – Bargy.

RESOLUTION #05-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #06-09 David Howelman, seconded by Jack White

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, 2009 (See pages).

3. Before executing an order to purchase or trade the funds of the County of Antrim a financial intermediary, broker, or dealer shall be provided with a copy of the County's Investment Policy and shall acknowledge receipt of the Investment Policy and agree to comply with the terms of the Investment Policy regarding the buying or selling of securities by executing the form attached as Appendix 2.
4. The County Treasurer is authorized to rely on the continuing effect of this resolution until and unless it is specifically amended or rescinded by a future resolution of the Board of Commissioners.
5. This resolution shall be effective retroactive to January 1, 2009.

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

No - None;

Absent – Bargy.

RESOLUTION #06-09 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION #07-09 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Jack White

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 1:

- (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 (1) 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 - Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – Bargo.

RESOLUTION #07-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the funds be released for the vacant position in the County Clerk's office and the hiring process begin. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford that, due to decreasing sales of building permits and other related permits in the Construction Code Enforcement Department, the following positions be laid off effective January 19, 2009:

1 Building Inspector/Building Plan Reviewer

1 Mechanical Inspector/Mechanical Plan Reviewer

and the hours of the position of Electrical Inspector be reduced to 30 hours per week. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss strategy for pending litigation. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Board retired to Closed Session at 11:30 a.m. and returned to Open Session at 12:10 p.m.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the mineral rights be accepted from owners of certain properties in Star Township adjacent to the proposed injection well site. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen that county employees or agents be authorized to sign affidavits in reference to the Star Injection Well matter at the request of the Prosecuting Attorney if the content is deemed to be true and accurate. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by White the Prosecuting Attorney be authorized to initiate legal action in his own name and obtain the representation of outside counsel. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, January 8, 2009

Laura Sexton, County Clerk called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: Larry Bargy, Laurie Stanek

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Sheriff Dan Bean introduced the new Undersheriff, Dean Pratt. He also briefly described his plan for substations throughout the county with patrol cars being housed at the substations. Stan Moore presented an Early Childhood Program Memorandum of Understanding for funding provided by Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District for services to the Bellaire, Mancelona, and Concord Schools.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the Chairman be authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Antrim County (MSUE) and the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District for funding of early childhood services for Bellaire, Mancelona, and Concord Schools. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen the minutes of December 11, 2008 and January 5, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford the claims and accounts totaling \$276,734.29 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford the funds be released for the vacant part time transcriptionist position at the Sheriff Department. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

Mr. Dawson requested consideration of the matter of the tax payer whose tax bill went to the wrong address, the taxes went delinquent, and he would like the interest and fees either waived or reimbursed by the county.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the interest and fees resulting from the taxes of Central Lake Township property owners, Todd and Jennifer Stone, going delinquent because of being sent to the wrong address be waived or reimbursed by the

county, whichever is legal and appropriate. Motion DEFEATED by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Howelman, Allen; No – Drenth, White, Crawford, Blackmore; Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

The Chairman appointed Jerald Rives and Jim Barnard to the Northwest Michigan Workforce Development Board.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Jerald Rives and Jim Barnard to the Northwest Michigan Workforce Development Board, terms to expire December 31, 2010 be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

County Coordinator Peter Garwood presented the bids for appraisal of the Glacial Springs property acquisitions in Forest Home Township and explained that under the rules of the grant provider, Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, the high value of the property dictates that there be two appraisals.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the bids of Michigan Appraisal Company, Inc (Charlevoix) for \$2,470 and Gotshall Associations Inc (Traverse City) for \$1,850 for appraisals of properties in Forest Home Township in connection with the Glacial Springs acquisitions be accepted and Fund #238, Glacial Hills Grant Fund, be created, a budget be established for Fund #238, and \$75,000 be transferred from Forestry to Fund #238 as required by Resolution #08-09 of January 8, 2009. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

Mr. Garwood reported on the meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Senior Center property. New agreements are being prepared between Antrim County and the Townships and Antrim County and Area Seniors Inc.

RESOLUTION #08-09 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

Resolution of Support of an Agreement by Antrim County to the
Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Program to
Acquire Property Located Within Forest Home Township,
Glacial Hills Pathway and Natural Area

WHEREAS, acquisition of the Glacial Hills Pathway and Natural Area provides important opportunities for public recreation, forest and open space protection and consolidates publicly-held land; all identified as important goals in a recent county-wide public opinion survey, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that Antrim County 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 three hundred sixty-five thousand two hundred dollars (\$365,200) of the total grant amount in the following manner:

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| Cash Match | \$ | 75,000 |
| Cash Donations | | 175,000 |
| Donated Land Value | | <u>115,200</u> |
| Total | \$ | 365,200 |

2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the State of Michigan 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.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen

No - None;

Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

RESOLUTION #08-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that expenses for Drain Commissioner Mark Stone to visit the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Washington D.C. about renewing the Elk Rapids Hydro license be paid from the Elk Rapids Hydro Fund and the expenditure budget of the Elk Rapids Hydro Fund be increased by the amount spent. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

There was discussion on the Lamplight/Blue Pelican remodeling project in Central Lake and the Building Department’s role in expediting this project.

RESOLUTION #09-09 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Joseph Allen

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. 2009-0117, (Purchase of snow removal equipment, as further defined in Contract No. FM05-01-C44) for and on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen;

No - None;

Absent – Bargy, Stanek.

RESOLUTION #09-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Chairman announced that the Parks Committee and the Lands Committee would be combined.

The Chairman made the following Standing Committee Appointments:

Administration & County Services

Michael Crawford, Chairman
Laurie Stanek
Jerroll Drenth

Human Services

David Howelman, Chairman
Laurie Stanek
Bernard Blackmore

Transportation

Eugene Dawson, Chairman
David Howelman
Joseph Allen

Finance

Laurie Stanek, Chairman
Larry Bargy
Jerroll Drenth

Public Works

Joseph Allen, Chairman
Larry Bargy
Eugene Dawson

Parks & Lands

Bernard Blackmore, Chairman
Michael Crawford
Joseph Allen

Health & Public Safety

Larry Bargy, Chairman
Bernard Blackmore
David Howelman

Buildings & Grounds

Jerroll Drenth, Chairman
Michael Crawford
Larry Bargy

Special Committee

District & Circuit Court Liaison

Jack White
Laurie Stanek
Laura Sexton
Peter Garwood

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, February 12, 2009

Laura Sexton, County Clerk called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Present: Eugene Dawson, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen, Larry Bargy, Laurie Stanek

Absent: Jerroll Drenth

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Linda Gallagher, Chairperson, Petoskey Stone Committee, presented the Board of Commissioners with the Annual Winners Plaque, to display in Courthouse Showcase. Ray Ludwa – Representative of the Three Lakes Association congratulated the Commissioners as a group for their support for and signing up with The Grand Vision Group, and a job well done. Public Comment closed at 9:17a.m.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Stanek the minutes of January 8, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

County Coordinator Peter Garwood reported on a Sheriff Department Grievance that the employee filed regarding issues of overtime pay. The arbitrator ruled in favor of Antrim County as the officer is non-certified.

Mr. Garwood reported that Rob Noa from the Michigan Employees Retirement System will go over the results of the actuarial valuation for the “General” MERS group. The General Unit, Probate Court Unit, Unrepresented group and the Board of Commissioners are all part of this classification. Meetings have been scheduled twice on Friday, February 13, at 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., in Room 211, Antrim County Building.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$310,710.28 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows:
Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen;
No – None; Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #13-09 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended (Act 51), it is necessary for the Antrim County Transportation, (hereby known as THE APPLICANT) establish under Act 94-1933, to provide a local transportation program for the state fiscal year of 2010 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 \$116,500.00, estimated state fund \$259,200.00, estimated local funds \$166,000.00, estimated fare box \$159,000.00, estimated local total estimated expenses of \$727,700.00.

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

HEREBY, appoints 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 2010.

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

RESOLUTION #13-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the contract for Trimble Consulting be renewed at a cost of \$12,000.00 and the 2009 expenditure budget of the Computer Department in the General Fund be increased by that amount. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that the Sheriff Department 2009 budget be increased by \$1,000.00 for training new personnel in the Sheriff Department Administration Office. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows; Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that 800 MHz radios be purchased through a Homeland Security Grant at a total cost of up to \$46,785.00, local match to be \$9,000.00 (20%) to be provided through the Grant Match Fund and the 2009 expenditure budget for

that fund be increased by \$9,000.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows; Yes – Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

MAC Conference – Michael Crawford reported that he and Mr. Garwood attended this conference with speakers from Homeland Security Program and State Revenue Sharing. Consensus Revenue Estimates, Year-End Balance Estimates and Federal Stimulus Package handouts were provided at the conference and he gave copies to board.

RESOLUTION #14-09 by David Howelman, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, the work load of the Veterans Counselor Office has regular, busy, and slow periods, which sometimes necessitate the Veterans Counselor spending more hours in a week than the regularly scheduled 24 hours per week.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that as of February 16, 2009 the County will budget for up to 30 hours per week for the Veterans Counselor position, and the additional six (6) hours are to be used only when needed and will be paid at the straight time hourly rate established for the position.

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

RESOLUTION #14-09 DECLARED ADOPTED

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek that in the Sheriff Department, funds be released for vacant Corrections Officer position, and the resultant vacant Office Manager and Clerk/Typist positions and the hiring process begin to fill the three positions. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson to release the funds and approve the hiring process for a vacant part time position in the Treasurer's Office, with hours reduced from 55 hours to 45 hours per pay period and the pay being indexed to a Clerk Typist rather than a Clerk II; and also to approve changing the hours for full-time staff in the Treasurer's Office from 37.5 hours to 40 hours per week based on the part-time position in the Treasurers Office remaining part-time. Stanek requested that this issue be TABLED. The Chairman TABLED this issue for further discussion with County Treasurer

Resolution #10-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by David Howelman

WHEREAS, No other unit of Michigan Government impacts the area residents more so than County Government and a Board of Commissioners and;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties was formed in 1898 to advocate for

the interests of all Michigan's county governments, and;

WHEREAS, there are 82 counties in Michigan and currently 82 of those 83 counties are dues paying members of the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), and;

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners endorse and supports the goals of the Michigan Association of Counties and believes that they are an integrated part of addressing critical issues facing many counties on a day to day basis, and;

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners feel very strongly that these unified efforts have a greater affect when ALL counties are joined together through an association such as the Michigan Association of Counties with their diverse staff of professionals who have decades of experience in managing governments and communicating with legislators, and;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties has Affiliate and Corporate members that offer beneficial programs and services to the members of the Michigan Association of Counties, and;

WHEREAS, Mason County is not a member of the Michigan Association of Counties, but may be in the process of considering joining the association, and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners endorses, supports and strongly encourages Mason County Board of Commissioners to join the Michigan Association of Counties, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the County Clerks of all Michigan Counties, to each Mason County Commissioner and to the Michigan Association of Counties, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners urge each of the other 81 Counties to follow this initiative and support and encourage Mason County to join the Michigan Association of Counties and be a part and a voice in the unified efforts of all.

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

No – None;

Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #10-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the county building switch to Lakeshore Energy for a one year period at a cost of .72 cents per ccf, as long as there are no hidden fees for switching. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen. No – None; Absent – Drenth.

Theresa Kent, Antrim County Abstractor, presented the Abstract Department 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the Abstract Department 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Greg Piaskowski, Area Agency on Aging, presented the Area Agency on Aging Annual Report Fiscal Year 2007 (October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007).

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Howelman the Area Agency on Aging Annual Report Fiscal Year 2007 (October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007) be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Patricia Lowery, Antrim County Housing Director, presented the Antrim County Housing 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the Antrim County Housing 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Deborah Peters, Antrim County Veterans' Counselor, presented the Antrim County Veterans' Counselor 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Antrim County Veterans' Counselor 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Scott Papineau, Antrim County Surveyor, presented the Antrim County Surveyor 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the Antrim County Surveyor 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Chairman, Jack White asked Dee Miller, MSU Extension Educator, 4-H to introduce the youth members of the 4-H Citizens Government Academy attending today's meeting. Introductions given, the Board of Commissioners thanked them for their attendance.

Dewey Benson, Antrim County Medical Examiner, presented the Antrim County Medical Examiner 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the Antrim County Medical Examiner 2008 Annual Report by accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen a Grant in the amount of \$55,000.00 dollars from MDOT for employment of a land easement acquisition consultant at the Airport be accepted and the Chairman be authorized to sign. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #11-09 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by Joseph Allen

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. 2009-0133, (Land Acquisition costs of parcels E45, E46, E47, E48, E49, and E 50 as further defined in Contract No.FM 05-01 LAND) for and on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen;

No – None;

Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #11-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen that the Antrim County Airport purchase insurance from Glob Aerospace, Inc. in the amount of \$7,607.00 dollars, a savings of \$3,136.00 over last year's policy. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen; No – None; Absent – Drenth.

ORDINANCE # 1 OF 2009 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Michael Crawford

FORESTRY PROPERTY AREA ORDINANCE

The County of Antrim does hereby ordain:

ARTICLE 1

- 1.01 PURPOSE: The Board of Commissioners of the County of Antrim has for a number of years managed certain forestry property received from the State of Michigan under section 6 of former 1931 PA 217, now being P.A. 1994, No. 451, 52701, added by P.A. 1995, No. 57, 1, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1995 being MCL 324.52701 et seq 451. Section 6 now allows the County to seek relinquishment of certain reversionary interest now held by the State of Michigan. The County has determined that continued management of such property is important for the purpose of forestry and that property is maintained for forestry purpose, to protect the diversity and natural features found upon the properties and to keep it accessible for compatible recreation and educational use by the public.
- 1.02 PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: The forestry properties are located throughout the county and as more fully set-forth in attachment "A". (see page)

ARTICLE 2

- 2.01.1 RULE MAKING: Because of the unique character of forestry property, there is a need to respond to activities and use of the property that could, if not abated, have

an irreparable impact upon the lands. The Board of Commissioners, by a majority of elected members, shall supervise and manage all lands devoted to forestry and may provide labor on forest land by foresters and other as may be necessary for the proper care and maintenance of the land as a forest producing area, to make reasonable rules and regulations concerning the land not inconsistent with the ordinance or law for the use and occupancy forestry property, and to expend money as may be appropriated or received for this purpose.

2.02 SALE OR DISPOSAL OF FOREST LANDS:

The County shall not sell, exchange, lease or in any way place a lien or dispose of the forest property set forth in attachment "A", unless and except the proposition for such purpose shall first have been submitted, at a regular or special election held for the purpose in the manner provided by law, to the qualified voters of the County and approved by them by a three-fifths (3/5) majority vote of the electors voting thereon.

ARTICLE 3

3.01.1 SAVINGS CLAUSE: The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any clause, sentence, word, section, or provision is declared void or unenforceable, for any reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of said Ordinance shall remain in force.

3.02 EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication of notice of adoption.

Yes - Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen

No - None;

Absent - Drenth.

ORDINANCE #1 OF 2009 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #12-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Michael Crawford

ELK RAPIDS DAM BEACH IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, Antrim County is the owner of record for the Elk Rapids Dam Beach property and,

WHEREAS, Antrim County has leased the property to the Village of Elk Rapids on a long-term basis, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Community Recreation Plan specifies the importance of providing quality recreational opportunities, and

WHEREAS, public lands are essential in meeting the recreational needs of the community, and

WHEREAS, engaging in improvements at the Elk Rapids Dam Beach will make it easier

for the public to access the recreation opportunities (i.e., fishing, swimming, sunbathing, walking, etc.) and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Antrim County gives the Village of Elk Rapids permission to develop the property and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Antrim County dedicates \$50,000.00 in support of the project.

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

No – None;

Absent – Drenth.

RESOLUTION #12-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore to approve the Emergency Services Coordinator submitting a grant application to the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa Chippewa Indians for house numbering signs (green with white reflective numbers) for residence and businesses in Antrim County. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen. No – None; Absent – Drenth.

The Chairman appointed Donald Schuiteman to the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services Board.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the appointment of Donald Schuiteman to the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services Board, term to expire December 31, 2011 be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes- Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore and Allen. No – None; Absent – Drenth.

Family Independence Agency Annual Report 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the Family Independence Agency 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, March 12, 2009

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

Present: Eugene Dawson, Jack White, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen, Larry Bargy, Laurie Stanek and Jerroll Drenth

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel presented information on wetlands and the Health Code. Fred Harris, Antrim/Kalkaska Director of Human Services spoke on the Antrim Annual Report. Mark Randolph presented a Resolution for application for grant money for Grass River Natural Area.

RESOLUTION #15-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Eugene Dawson

A Resolution to Apply for Funding through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) to Acquire Recreation 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

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 Custer Township, 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 thirty percent (30%) as required.

Yes – Dawson, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore;

No - Drenth, Bargy, White, Allen;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #15-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Chairman requested the Parks and Lands Committee meet with Grass River Natural Area Inc. to assess the future plans for land acquisition and determine if the County Board is in agreement.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that claims and accounts totaling \$128,279.75 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No –None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the County Clerk's expenditure budget be increased by \$3,000 to cover the costs of purchasing Circuit Court case binders and other related supplies and \$3,000 be transferred from Contingencies for that purpose. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the I.T. Department expenditure budget be increased by \$28,700 for payment to NetTech for a maintenance agreement and \$28,700 be transferred from Contingencies for that purpose. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the Sheriff purchase a commercial washer (Maytag) for the Jail at a cost of \$5,375.00 and \$5,400 be transferred from Contingencies to Capital Outlay (Jail) in the 2009 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the Sheriff replace an existing vehicle with a new Ford Crown Victoria to be used by Secondary Roads at a cost of not to exceed \$22,000 and a digital camera be installed in the vehicle at a cost of not to exceed \$6,400 (half to be reimbursed by Michigan Municipal Risk) and \$28,400 be transferred from Contingencies to Capital Outlay (Sheriff), and the revenue be increased by \$3,200 in the 2009 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that replacement hand guns be purchased for the Corrections personnel at a cost not to exceed \$8,000 as budgeted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson, the Airport foyer/door replacement project be finished at a cost not to exceed \$7,500 as budgeted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Sherry Comben, County Treasurer, presented her Annual Report.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Howelman that County Treasurer's 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Mark Stone, Drain Commissioner presented that department's Annual Report.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Drain Commissioner's 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Ed Martel reported on the County Health Code and suggested changes that could be made.

Marna Robertson presented the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility Annual Report and David Schultz presented the Meadowview Apartments Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility 2008 Annual Report and Meadowview Apartments 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Carl Goeman presented the Emergency Services Annual Report

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the Emergency Services 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Stan Moore gave the MSU Extension Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the MSU Extension 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #16-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Joe Allen

WHEREAS, Michigan State University (MSU) Extension helps people improve their lives through an education process that applies knowledge to critical issues, needs, and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, MSU Extension in Antrim County utilizes the research and knowledge base of the state's land grant university, first established by President Lincoln through the Morrill Act in 1862; and

WHEREAS, MSU Extension in Antrim County provides 4-H programming for youth, offers Master Gardener training, works with agricultural producers, offers nutrition education, offers training about land use and planning laws and policies, provides family financial management education, educates county commissioners and other officials on local government issues, policies and procedures, and provides volunteer development programming; and

WHEREAS, MSU Extension helps to reduce economic loses by providing the most current research to agricultural producers and industries, offers opportunities for youth to grow and learn in safe environments with caring adults, and reduces health care costs by

teaching youth and families how to select and prepare nutritious meals; and

WHEREAS, Antrim County currently provides \$121,560 to help support MSU Extension programming. The county investment is coupled with state and federal appropriations, as well as grants, ensuring that the programming will meet the needs and interests of the county's citizens.

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan currently provides \$30 million in funding for MSU Extension, and eliminating half of that funding would destroy this important educational network;

WHEREAS, MAES and MSU Extension leverage another \$148 million in other funding sources based on the \$63 million appropriation of state funds to both programs and generate a total economic impact of \$1.062 billion per year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners opposes a 50% reduction of funding for MSU Extension and the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board wishes to convey to Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm and to state legislators that the 50% reduction of state funding for MSU Extension and the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station is an unacceptable solution to the State's budget problem.

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

No – None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #16-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Drenth the costs for the 4-H obtaining assessment roll data for the Plat Book from the Equalization Department be waived. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #17-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Joe Allen

WHEREAS, Act 179, P.A. 2006, provides for the relinquishment of the reverter on conveyances of State-owned lands to municipal units for forestry purposes, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners desires to have the reverter relinquished by the State of Michigan

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is authorized to make application to the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, Office of Land and Facilities for relinquishment of the reverter, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners attests to the fact that the request meets the eligibility for the relinquishment of the reverter as

provided in the above referenced statute.

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

No - None:

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #17-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the funds for the vacant part time position (27.5 hrs/week) in the County Treasurer's office be released, that the position be changed from Clerk II to Clerk/Typist and any wage changes be indexed to the position of clerk/typist in the General Union Contract. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the funds be released for the position of ACT Director and the hiring process begin. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the funds for the vacant Corporal position in the Sheriff Department be released. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the funds for the vacant Corrections Officer position in the Sheriff Department be released. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #18-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Laura Stanek

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan is considering the various uses of proposed economic stimulus monies from the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the State of Michigan Legislature removed \$15,000,000 from the State Survey and Remonumentation fund in an effort to balance the state budget for that year; and

WHEREAS, in Section 54.27 of Act 345 of 1990, the Legislature cited specific funding levels for the program which have not been met; and

WHEREAS, since the removal of these funds in 2006, statewide funding for the program has decreased from \$10,134,000 in 2006 to \$4,000,000 in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the removal of these funds has seriously impaired the effectiveness and progress of this program; and

WHEREAS, this program has been extremely beneficial to all residents of the State of Michigan, since original corner positions of the Public Land Survey control the boundaries of every parcel in Antrim County and the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, this program is designed to recover, monument, record and perpetuate these original corner positions; and

WHEREAS, the information provided by this program is also designed to be the basis of all municipal GIS within the State; and

WHEREAS, these additional funds will benefit the implementation of each County-wide GIS, which is intended to assist in 911 emergency responses.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is in support of the use of \$15,000,000 of the economic stimulus monies for the State of Michigan Survey and Remonumentation Program for 2009 and an additional \$15,000,000 to supplement the program through fiscal year 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, and Representative Kevin Elsenheimer and the other 82 Michigan counties.

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

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #18-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Board of Commissioners retire to Closed Session to discuss union negotiations and the Coordinator/Planner remain in the Closed Session.

The Board retired to Closed Session at 11:55 a.m. and returned to Open Session at 12:15 p.m.

Bernard Blackmore left the meeting at 12:00 Noon.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Allen the union agreement with Teamsters #214 for the General Unit be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and any vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford the bid of \$4,600 from Ray Hall Roofing to re-roof the barn at Grass River Natural Area be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Allen the request from the Bellaire Chamber of

Commerce to hold a portion of the Rubber Ducky Festival on the Courthouse lawn be granted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #19-09 by Gene Dawson, seconded by Joe Allen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Antrim County Board of Commissioners does recognize Master Agreement #2007-0163 with the Michigan Department of Transportation which covers the years of 2006-2011;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Gene Dawson, Chairman of the Antrim County Transportation Committee be authorized to sign MDOT authorizations and contracts relating to master Agreement #2007-0163 with the Michigan Department of Transportation.

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

No - None;

Absent – Blackmore.

RESOLUTION #19-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Chairman appointed Kathleen Beal to the Antrim County Jury Board.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Kathleen Beal to the Antrim County Jury Board, term to expire April 30, 2015 be approved Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The Chairman appointed Charles Koop as Prosecuting Attorney to the 13th Circuit Court Community Corrections Advisory Board.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen the appointment of Prosecuting Attorney Charles Koop to the 13th Circuit Court Community Corrections Advisory Board be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Allen; No – None; Absent – Blackmore.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, April 9, 2009

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

Present: Eugene Dawson, Jack White, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen, Larry Bargy, Laurie Stanek and Jerroll Drenth

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on the Road Commission and its authority to do things. He also spoke on the Health Code Appeal Board and Wetland Protection Act. Mark Randolph announced that paperwork was finished on the Hunt Club grant. As local match he presented a check for \$524,211.02 from Grass River Natural Area Inc. Public Comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

Prosecutor Charles Koop presented an amended Division Order for SRW, Inc. gas & oil rights at the Airport and surrounding area.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign an SRW, Inc. Gas Division Order for Antrim County property in sections 12, 13, 14, & 24 of Forest Home Township and Sections 18 & 19 of Kearney Township (Antrim County Airport). Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Coordinator/Planner Peter Garwood said an amendment to P.A. 198 would allow counties with population of 20,000 – 26,000 to give tax abatements. (This would include the proposed biomass facility at Mancelona). Legislation is being pursued.

Equalization Director Robert Englebrecht gave the 2009 Equalization Report. (See pp)

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth the 2009 Equalization Report be accepted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Prosecuting Attorney Charles Koop gave that department's 2009 Annual Report.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Blackmore, the Prosecuting Attorney's 2009 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$302,363.98 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that \$436,840, the 2009 designated spending amount, be transferred from the Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund to Fund #516, Tax Payment Funds and the budget of the Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth that \$10,000 be transferred from the General Fund (Contingencies) to Fund #217, Prosecuting Attorney Legal Fund for an on-going criminal investigation and the budgets of both Funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth a boat motor be purchased for the Marine Department for \$7,849.00 as budgeted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the Sheriff apply to the EPA for a grant which would provide funds for making the County shooting range compliant for lead and powder: grant amount to be approximately \$100,000 with the county providing 3% (approximately \$3,000); this amount to be transferred from the Grant Match Fund to the General Fund if the grant is received. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the County Treasurer purchase a Secap SI 3500 Folder/Inserter/Sealer, and \$13,700 be transferred from Tax Payment Funds to the General Fund (Capital Outlay – Treasurer), and the budgets of both Funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth a keypad lock be installed on the Prosecuting Attorney's file room door at a cost of \$1,750. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Judge Norman Hayes and William Hefferan presented the Probate Court and Family Division of Circuit Court 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the Probate Court and Family Division of Circuit Court 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Construction Code Enforcement Director Robert Massey gave that department's 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Construction Code Enforcement 2008

Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Airport Manager John Strehl gave the Airport 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the Airport 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Sheriff Daniel Bean presented the Sheriff Department/Animal Control/E-991 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the Sheriff Department/Animal Control/E-911 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss pending litigation concerning the Star Township Injection Well and Peter Garwood, Charles Koop, and attorney Susan Topp be requested to remain. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Board went into Closed Session at 11:09 a.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:30 p.m.

Larry Bargy left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

The Chairman appointed Laurie Stanek to the mediation meeting concerning the Star Injection Well matter with authority to settle pending approval of the Board of Commissioners.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Laurie Stanek to represent Antrim County at the mediation meeting concerning the Star Injection Well matter with authority to settle pending approval of the Board of Commissioners be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen an additional \$70,000 be appropriated to payment of the attorney for the Star Injection Well matter and that amount be transferred from Contingencies to the attorney account in the 2009 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

Director Carol Mitchell gave the Commission on Aging 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Commission on Aging 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Barbara Bradford reported on the Friends of the Jordan activity in the Star Injection Well matter.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen the minutes of March 12, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

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

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Peter Garwood and Laura Sexton as officer delegate and alternate to the 2009 Municipal Employees Retirement System Annual Meeting be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bary.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen the following 2009 budget adjustments be approved:

| | <u>Increase</u> | <u>Decrease</u> |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| GENERAL FUND | | |
| <u>Revenue</u> | | |
| From Taxes | -0- | |
| From Licenses & Permits | -0- | |
| From Other Agencies | \$ 1,000 | |
| From Current Services | 200 | |
| From Other Sources | 200 | |
| <u>Expenditures</u> | | |
| District Court – attorney fees | 4,000 | |
| Clerk – supplies | 1,500 | |
| Fringes – pers. leave & unemployment | 11,000 | |
| GAS & OIL ROYALTIES RESERVE FUND | | |
| Revenue – royalties | 25,000 | |
| WEAPON SALE FUND | | |
| Revenue – sale of handguns | 2,000 | |
| Expenditures – supplies | 2,000 | |
| HOUSING PROJECT INCOME FUND | | |
| Revenue – interest & received for debt | 27,000 | |
| Expenditures – to Fund #278 | 10,000 | |
| HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUND | | |
| Revenue | 50,000 | |
| Expenditures | 50,000 | |
| HOMEBUYERS REPURCHASE FUND | | |
| Revenue – grant | 10,000 | |
| Expenditures – administration | 10,000 | |
| GRASS RIVER INTERPRETIVE CENTER FUND | | |
| Revenue – from Grass River Inc. | 40,000 | |
| Expenditures – services | 40,000 | |

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

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek an actuarial report be obtained from the Michigan Municipal Employee Retirement System (MERS) to determine the cost of the E-2 rider for the combination of the following groups, the Unrepresented group including elected officials, the Coordinator/Planner, Probate Court Bargaining Unit, the Prosecuting Attorney unrepresented group, and the members of the Board of Commissioners. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the Registered Nurse stipend for the Commission on Aging Director be increased by \$2,000 for 2009 retroactive to January 1, 2009, an additional \$2,000 for 2010, and an additional \$2,000 for 2011. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson Alan Meacham be employed to fill the vacant Antrim County Transportation Director position and, in the event he does not take the job, that Daniel Kranz be employed; the beginning salary for the position to be \$51,000. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the seasonal park employees, with the exception of the Parks Director, be given a 2.5% wage increase for 2009. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the non-union employees at the Commission on Aging be given a 2.5% increase for 2009 retroactive to January 1, 2009. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek that Commission on Aging employee, Elizabeth Springer, be advanced to the 3-year scale of the Clerical Assistant classification effective the next pay period. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the funds be released and the hiring process begun for the soon to be vacated Corrections Officer position. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #20-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Jerroll Drenth

WHEREAS, counties and local units of government across the great State of Michigan find themselves facing increasingly difficult challenges balancing general fund budgets; and

WHEREAS, counties find themselves beleaguered with burdensome and unnecessary legal challenges in the form of costly and time-consuming lawsuits and their related

defense. In the course of serving its constituents and taxpayers, it has become apparent that courts have also brought lawsuits against counties; and,

WHEREAS, there exists within the Constitution of the State of Michigan, Article III, Section 2, *The Separation of Powers of Government*, which sets forth the *Executive, Judiciary, and Legislative* branches shall co-exist yet stand alone in the performance of their respective duties; and,

WHEREAS, courts have the *benefit* of bringing lawsuits against the funding units (counties) that finance their departments and operations while *not* incurring any of the related costs of litigation; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that counties desire the same level of fiscal responsibility for courts vis-à-vis the funding of litigation that counties or other local units of government would be expected to pay in the course of lawsuits; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners requests legislative assistance in the remedy of this apparent injustice.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, Senator Jason Allen, and the other 82 Michigan counties.

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

RESOLUTION #20-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Howelman the current generator be repaired at a cost of \$2,144. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Howelman the Maintenance Director arrange for an annual boiler inspection at a cost of \$955.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford the quote from Northern Restoration and Waterproof System, Inc. to install additional gutters and flashing on the 1905 Courthouse at a cost not to exceed \$2,500 be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford that Dean Bull clean, adjust, and provide other necessary maintenance to the clock in the tower of the 1905 Courthouse at a cost not to exceed \$1,500. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargy.

RESOLUTION #21-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Jerroll Drenth

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approves the Michigan Public Safety Communications System Integration Agreement with Antrim County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack White, Chairman of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign aforementioned Agreements.

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

No - None;

Absent – Bargo.

RESOLUTION #21-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the State be informed that Antrim County, for the year July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, will continue the collection of its current 911 surcharge as approved by the MPSC U-15489. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen that \$500 be appropriated to the Petoskey Stone Festival and, in the 2009 General Fund budget, \$500 be transferred from Contingencies to Appropriations and in the Petoskey Stone Festival Fund, \$500 be added to the Revenue. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – Bargo.

Coordinator/Planner Peter Garwood presented his department's Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Crawford the Coordinator/Planner's 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Computer/Internet Policy will be addressed at the April meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 to the Call of the Chair.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, May 14, 2009

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

Present: Eugene Dawson, Jack White, David Howelman, Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen, Larry Bargy, Laurie Stanek and Jerroll Drenth

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. The following individuals spoke favorably on allowing ORV's (off road vehicles) on county roads: Clifford Lanning of Custer Township, Tim Utter of Chestonia Township, Terry Kauska of Chestonia and Mancelona Townships, Frank Ranere of Star Township, Roy Wicht of Chestonia Township, Christian Marcus of Star Township, and Bill Thiemann of Custer Township. Mark Randolph, environmentalist from Kearney Township, spoke in favor of ORV's. Jerry Dobrzelewski from the Antrim County Road Commission requested the Road commission assist in preparing an ORV Ordinance. Sue Schuler of Forest Home Township and Chris Evans of Kearney Township spoke in support of the Solid Waste Council's plan for recycling. Public Comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

Charles Koop, Prosecuting Attorney, presented the application for the Child Support Grant.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Crawford that Prosecuting Attorney Charles Koop sign the application for the Child Support Grant. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Rescinded 6/11/2009 It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore the county roads be opened to Off Road Vehicles (ORV's) which would become effective by state law in 45 days. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None. ***Rescinded 6/11/2009***

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the minutes of April 9, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

There was discussion on the new Grass River Building. The preparation of a formal agreement with Grass River Natural Area, Inc. regarding the Grass River Interpretive Center was assigned to the Parks and Lands Committee.

Patty Niepoth, Register, presented the Register of Deeds Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Register of Deeds 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Sheridan Rhoads introduced the new Antrim County Transportation Director, Alan Meachum, and gave the Antrim County Transportation Annual Report.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Antrim County Transportation 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #22-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Gene Dawson

WHEREAS, Sheridan Rhoads has been employed by Antrim County since June, 2004, and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rhoads has provided exceptional service to the People of Antrim County as the Antrim County Transportation Director from June 1, 2004 through May 31, 2009 and,

WHEREAS, during this time, funding for public transportation was diminishing rapidly and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Rhoads made vital management decisions as well as sound financial recommendations to the Board of Commissioners which kept this essential county service solvent and viable and,

WHEREAS, Sheridan Rhoads resigned as the Antrim County Transportation Director, effective June 1, 2009,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the people of Antrim County, wishes to express its sincere appreciation to

SHERIDAN RHOADS

For providing five years of outstanding, dedicated service to the Citizens and Taxpayers of Antrim County.

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

No - None;

Absent - None.

RESOLUTION #22-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Andy Hayes presented the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Laura Sexton gave the County Clerk 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Blackmore the County Clerk's 2008 Annual

Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Valerie Craft gave the Information Technology Department 2008 Annual Report.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the Information Technology Department 2008 Annual Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$248,111.19 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson a rotary mower be purchased for the Airport for \$14,100; \$10,000 from Airport Capital Outlay as budgeted and the remaining \$4,100 to be transferred from the General Fund (Contingencies) to the Airport Fund and the budgets of the General Fund and the Airport Fund be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth that shelving units be purchased from Governmental Products Inc. for the Register of Deeds/Abstract vault at a cost of \$3,705.00 and \$3,705.00 be transferred from Contingencies to Capital Outlay in the 2009 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth that additional fencing for a dog run be purchased for the Animal Control Shelter from Charlevoix Fencing Company at a cost of \$3,036.00 to be paid from Fund #225, Animal Control Donations Fund. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #23-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Laurie Stanek

RESOLUTION FOR CHANGING MERS BENEFITS

In accordance with the MERS Plan Document of 1996, the County of Antrim, Municipality Number 0502, adopts the following benefits for (Combining Division 01 & 10) General/Transportation. A "division" is defined as an employee or group of employees covered by the same benefit programs **and** the same employee contribution program. Each division has a specific MERS number and name, such as "Div. 10, General-Admin.," and is a part of a Reports Unit, such as "01".

Supporting Supplemental Valuation is dated not applicable.

BENEFIT MULTIPLIER

From n/a to B-4 2.5% Effective date 5/1/2009.

Provisions for Earlier Normal Retirement not applicable

Employee Contribution Rate

not applicable

Additional Benefits

Affecting Future Retirees

not applicable

Retiree Cost-of-Living Benefit Programs for Current Retirees

not applicable

Window Period

not applicable

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

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #23-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek that participation in a group discount agreement with Dewey Insurance for employee home and auto insurance at no cost to the County be approved with the provision the insurance representative must meet with the employees after regular work hours. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Kevin Wilson and two other students from the Civics class of Concord Academy in Chestonia Township presented a proposal to alleviate the current economic strain of paying taxes. It involves individuals performing public service to be credited to property tax payments. There were questions on details of implementation and administration of the program. The students were commended and invited to come back with more information next year.

Lon Bargy and Jim Trierweiler from Milton Township spoke of the need to move a ball park in the Milton Township complex to make room for a landing pad for Northflight. They reported that surrounding townships had pledged donations and requested monetary assistance from the County. The matter was referred to the Parks and Lands Committee.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Howelman an agreement be signed with Charter Communications to install and operate an internet connection in the Milton Township Hall for the purpose of connecting the Sheriff Department substation in the Milton Township Hall with the Sheriff Department and the Prosecuting Attorney's office. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Jerroll Drenth informed that he has a stake in one of the companies bidding on the grounds work at Antrim Creek, that he did not participate in the bid opening or vote on the bid award recommendation at the May 13, 2009 Antrim Creek Natural Area meeting, and that he is excusing himself from the discussion and the vote on the bid award at this meeting.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the bid from Drenth Brothers for

\$8,290.00 for grounds work at the Antrim Creek Natural Area be accepted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None; Excused – Drenth.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson a request for 0.2 mill for a recycling program be placed on the ballot at a 2010 election. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #24-09 by David Howelman, Laurie Stanek

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners places the highest priority on improving the lives of children, and strongly believes local determinations are most effective in protecting vulnerable populations and,

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan was sued by an out-of-state child welfare group called Children's Rights and,

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan settled this suit out-of-court by agreeing in part to require relatives caring for kin to become licensed foster homes and;

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan failed to consult with counties prior to reaching an agreement with Children's Rights even though the settlement will require that counties be the source for 50% of the funding for foster care and juvenile justice in the State and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties has determined that the State's decision could cost local funding units thirty two million dollars annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners endorses, supports, and strongly encourages the Michigan Legislature and Governor working with the Michigan Association of Counties to pursue any and all activities which will relieve Antrim County of this unsolicited financial commitment and obligation (unfunded mandate).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent to Senator Jason Allen, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, Governor Granholm, the County Clerks of the other 82 Michigan Counties a, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

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

RESOLUTION #24-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the bid of \$800.00 from Ralph Hines for tree removal at the Airport be accepted. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore,

Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the 2 Construction Code pick-up trucks currently not being used be temporarily assigned as follows: 1 to the Airport, and 1 to Barnes Park. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

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

| | Increase | Decrease |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| GENERAL FUND | | |
| Revenue | | |
| From Licenses & Permits | 300 | |
| From Other Agencies | 30,500 | |
| From Current Services | 5,500 | |
| From Other Sources | 20,900 | |
| FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND | | |
| Revenue | 2,000 | |
| Expenditures | 2,000 | |
| GRASS RIVER FUND | | |
| Revenue-from Grass River Inc. | 524,212 | |
| Expenditures-property purchase | 400,000 | |
| ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS FUND | | |
| Expenditures - health | 1,050 | |
| GRASS RIVER INTERPRETIVE CENTER | | |
| Revenue – From Grass River Inc. | 40,000 | |
| Expenditures – services | 40,000 | |

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

ROUGH DRAFT

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, June 11, 2009

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

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman
Michael Crawford, Laurie Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman White and Emergency Services Director Carl Goeman presented State of Michigan Legislative tributes to the following retiring Fire Chiefs: Butch Bartz – South Torch Lake Fire Department; Chris Dewey – Bellaire Fire Department; Larry Ball – Elk Rapids Fire Department.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Ed Martel informed about perceived problems with the Health Sanitation Code. Linda Gallagher thanked the Board and other county employees for help with the Petoskey Stone Festival. Steven Kost from Big Marsh Road in Jordan Township requested a lower fee for obtaining a building permit because the same permit had been obtained by the former owner and never completely used. Public Comment closed at 9:24 a.m.

Charles Koop informed about the former Maverick Metal Building in Mancelona which has been abandoned with all the machinery and other goods still inside and is presenting a health and safety hazard. The building will soon become the County's due to tax foreclosure and plans should be made for disposal of the building. The matter was referred to Peter Garwood, Carl Goeman, and Sherry Comben.

There was discussion of the Off Road Vehicle Ordinance and the Public Hearing requirement.

The Chairman appointed Michael Crawford, Larry Bargy, and Joe Allen as an Ad Hoc Committee to investigate formation of an ORV Ordinance.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Michael Crawford, Larry Bargy, and Joe Allen as an Ad Hoc Committee to implement formation of an ORV Ordinance be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss litigation concerning the Star Injection Well. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Closed Session began 9:48 a.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 10:20 a.m.

Elaine Wood presented the NW MI Council of Governments 2008 Annual Report.

RESOLUTION #25-09 by David Howelman, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments' mission is to build stronger communities and improve quality of life in Northwest Michigan.

WHEREAS, the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments provides a variety of programs and services within the region, with particular emphasis in partnerships, economy of scale, and leveraging resources to address common concerns among multiple organizations or across sectors.

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides a grant opportunity through the Strengthening Communities Fund—State, Local and Tribal Government Capacity Building Program (HHS-2009-ACF-OCS-NS-0092) to enhance the capacity of nonprofit organizations to provide economic opportunities in our communities.

WHEREAS, the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments wishes to apply for the Strengthening Communities Fund on behalf of the 10-county region of northwest Lower Michigan in partnership with its subcontractor, NorthSky Nonprofit Network.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments to apply to the Strengthening Communities Fund as its Authorized Entity, which will give the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments authority to fully administer and implement the grant on its behalf, in collaboration with the nine other counties of Northwest Michigan.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Authorized Entity has the authority to apply for the grant on behalf of the County, to carry out capacity building activities to benefit nonprofit organizations within the County's jurisdiction, and to facilitate partnership development among local governments and nonprofit organizations.

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

RESOLUTION #25-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the minutes of May 14, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the motion of May 14, 2009 concerning Off Road Vehicles (ORV's) be rescinded. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Grass River Natural Area Inc. concerning the proposed building. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the purchase of 2 Document Scanners, 1 HP Copier/Scanner/Fax/Printer, 1 Laptop Docking Station, and 2 Monitors with Homeland Security Grant Funds, total cost to be \$15,300.00 be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the Sheriff purchase 16 Digital Cameras and recharging batteries at a cost of \$3,232.00 and \$3,232 be transferred from Contingencies to Sheriff supplies for that purpose. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth that Havel be employed to relocate and remove various duct work and VAV box controllers in the County Building at a cost of \$2,732.00. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the motion of April 9, 2009 concerning levying a 0.2 mill for recycling be rescinded. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the county millage for 2010 be set at 5.0 mills which will generate approximately \$9,003,610. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the Finance Committee be requested to include the Recycling Program in the 2010 General Fund budget. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Ken Talsma of Anderson, Tackman, & Co. presented the 2008 Audit Report. He recommended establishing a “Conflict of Interest” policy and a “Fraud” policy.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the 2008 Audit Report be accepted. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Sue Reck from the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee reported on the Solid Waste and Recycling plans. There is a need to prepare a budget and start programs, possibly in 8 locations.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the funds be restored for the soon to be vacant position in the Coordinator/Planner’s office and the Administration/County Services Committee be authorized to make the hiring decision. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the line item of the departing employee’s position in the Coordinator/Planner’s budget be increased by dollars equal to one week’s work so the departing employee and incoming employee can work concurrently for one week. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign the Management Control Agreement between the 86th District Court and the Antrim County Information Technology Department. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the Antrim County road centerline data be sold to Rockford Publishing for \$1,000.00 Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Drenth the bid from Mutual of Omaha for life, accidental death and dismemberment, and short term disability insurance at an annualized premium rate of \$39,708 be accepted until October 1, 2011. Motion carried

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

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, June 11, 2009

RESOLUTION #26-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Laurie Stanek

WHEREAS, the property tax system in the State of Michigan is an ad valorem system and as such property owners pay, within the framework of the Constitution, equitable taxes based on the value of their property; and

WHEREAS, Proposal A was passed by the voters of the State of Michigan in 1994 to limit the increase taxable value, within the existing and continuing ad valorem framework, in such a way as to allow a property owner to predict future property tax burden by the change in the consumer price index and physical improvements to the property while that owner held the property; and

WHEREAS, many property owners have received significant benefit from the limitation on increase in taxable value mandated by Proposal A by paying property taxes on a basis less than the value of their property and continue to realize that significant benefit in the current economic circumstances; and

WHEREAS, recent purchasers of property, many younger and with less stability in their finances, are already shouldering a greater share of the relative tax burden because the basis for their property taxes is the full value of their property; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Senate has passed Senate Joint Resolution H (SJR-H), a proposal to amend Article 9, Section 3 of the 1963 Constitution of the State of Michigan by requiring that, effective in 2010, the taxable value of a property would be unchanged if the assessed value of that property declined and the taxable value was less than the assessed value; and

WHEREAS, while the intent of Proposal A was to provide stability and predictability for property owners, the intent of this proposed amendment is to, in declining markets, freeze the position of relative tax benefits that certain property owners enjoy while other property owners continue to pay property taxes on the constitutional ad valorem basis; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the unfair shift in relative tax burden that will result from this proposal, the reduced revenue to local taxing authorities will likely result in reduced services, increased millage rates or both, which will exacerbate the shift in the relative tax burden; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners opposes Senate Joint Resolution H, (SJR-H), because the proposal

contradicts the long history of a fair and equitable tax structure in the State of Michigan and promotes poor tax policy by shifting the relative tax burden of the property tax without regard to the consequences to affected taxpayers and local taxing authorities; and

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Resolution #26-09 – continued

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that while the Antrim County Board of Commissioners opposes SJR-H because it does not provide an equitable solution to Michigan's property tax concerns, the Antrim County Board requests that the Legislature of the State of Michigan work together with the Governor to examine all taxes, including the Michigan Business Tax, income tax, sales tax, use tax, and property tax with a goal of providing a means of generating revenue and managing expenditures that is fair and equitable to all the taxpayers of the state; and

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent to Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, the Michigan Association of Counties, all Municipalities within Antrim County, and the other 82 Michigan Counties.

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

RESOLUTION #26-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

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

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Bargy the amended Planning Commission Ordinance be approved with the following change:

Section 4; Item # 4.1 SIZE: The Planning Commission shall consist of 9 (*formerly 11*) members appointed by the Chair of the County Board of Commissioners, who shall appoint members by majority vote of the full membership of the County Board of Commissioners.

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

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen the Chairman be authorized to sign the Oil and Gas Lease for the property at GRNA in Section 11 of Helena Township. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

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It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Drenth the following wages and salaries be set for 2009 for Unrepresented Employees retroactive to January 1, 2009:

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| County Clerk | \$ 53,580.00 |
| Purchasing Stipend – Co. Clerk | 3,255.00 |
| Budget Officer Stipend – Co. Clerk | 7,496.00 |
| County Treasurer | 52,479.00 |
| Register of Deeds | 50,329.00 |
| Sheriff | 62,460.00 |
| Animal Control Stipend – Sheriff | 7,318.00 |
| Drain Commissioner | 8,563.00 |
| Abstractor | 48,745.00 |
| ACT Director | 53,100.00 |
| ACT Secretary | 16.29/hr. |
| Administrative Assistant – Coordinator/Planner | 19.04/hr. |
| Administrative Assistant – Prosecuting Attorney | 18.68/hr. |
| Airport Manager | 48,886.00 |
| Associate Planner | 41,424.00 |
| Building Official | 56,225.00 |
| Commission on Aging Director | 45,822.00 |
| Stipend – COA Director | 3,691.00 |
| Coordinator/Planner Secretary | 13.74/hr. |
| Emergency Services Coordinator | 25,625.00 |
| Equalization Director | 58,826.00 |
| Housing Director | 40,033.00 |
| Information Technology Director | 39,975.00 |
| Jail Nurse | 54,134.00 |
| Maintenance Director | 41,283.00 |
| Parks Manager | 16.58/hr. |
| Undersheriff | 56,844.00 |
| Veterans’ Counselor | 12.82/hr. |
| Victims’ Advocate – Prosecuting Attorney | 33,480.79 |

and, for the unrepresented, the insurance caps be set retroactive to January 1, 2009 and the 2009 department budgets wages be adjusted accordingly.

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

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Allen the three-year, 13th Circuit Court Community Corrections Grant from the State of Michigan be accepted. Motion carried

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

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It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford the bid from By the Bay Glass for repair/replacement of the vestibule on the southwest corner of the County Building at a cost of \$8,800 be accepted contingent on approval by the insurance company. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Area Agency on Aging Resolution was tabled until the next meeting.

David Howelman gave a report on the Health Department meeting.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Dawson the fee for prosecuting bad checks be deposited in Fund #129, Victims' Right Reserve Fund. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Robert Massey, Building Official, discussed various Construction Code Enforcement Department policies and procedures with the Board members.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

SPECIAL MEETING

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

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Laurie Stanek, Bernie Blackmore, Joseph Allen;
Absent: Michael Crawford

Charles Koop informed about a check received for a settlement on a class action suit involving Global Education. The Clerk was requested to investigate to find which county department was involved.

Gary Knapp and Dean Branson talked about establishing a stakeholders group concerning the Alba Injection Well matter which may include but would not be limited to the District Health Department, the County of Antrim, Tip of the Mitt, DEQ, Friends of the Jordan, EPA, CMS, Walloon Lake Association, 3-Lakes Association.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Board retire to Closed Session to discussion litigation on the Alba Injection Well matter. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting closed at 10:01 a.m. and re-opened at 11:00 a.m.

There was brief discussion on the Grass River Director, Mark Randolph and the proposed new building at the Grass River Natural Area.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

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

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laurie Stanek, Bernie Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance.

Carl Goeman and Jack White presented Marcia Varble with a Michigan Legislative Tribute for her outstanding work for many years as a Red Cross volunteer.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Clarence Bennett spoke against the recycling program maintaining that it should only be instituted on a positive vote of the people. Ed Martel passed out copies of the Emmet County Sanitary Code and commented on the Antrim County Sanitary Code.

Undersheriff Dean Pratt presented a Cross Deputization Agreement between the Ottawa and Chippewa Tribes and the Sheriff Department. He also reported on the successful cooperative law enforcement among the Kalkaska County Sheriff Department, the Antrim County Sheriff Department, and the State Police at the Torch River sand bar over the July 4th weekend.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the Chairman be authorized to sign the Cross Deputization Agreement with the Ottawa & Chippewa Tribe. Motion carried all members voting yes.

Peter Garwood requested a letter of support for the proposed biomass facility in Mancelona.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen a Letter of Support be written for the proposed biomass facility in Mancelona. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The ORV Ad-Hoc Committee is holding a Public Forum at Shanty Creek on August 11.

Peter Garwood introduced Shannon Meeder, his new secretary.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Blackmore the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss proposed property purchases in the form of avigation easements with Peter Garwood and Tim Davis remaining in the meeting. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting closed 9:30 a.m. and returned to Open Session at 9:47 a.m.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen that the county proceed with negotiations for obtaining avigation easements for the Airport. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the minutes of June 11, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$233,934.92 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the purchases of equipment through the Homeland Security Grant conform to the Antrim County bid policy with any necessary bid policy exceptions being referred for approval to the

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

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that 2 projectors be purchased for \$6,734.00 through the Homeland Security Grant for the Commissioners’ Room and Room 211. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that Fund #226, Recycling Fund be established and \$5,000 be transferred from Solid Waste Reserve Fund to Fund #226 and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the bid policy be waived and Ray Wallick be hired to fix the doors and windows of the Visitors’ Center at Barnes Park at a cost of \$7,000 to be paid from Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund and the Capital Projects Fund budget be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy \$75,000 be transferred from Fund #230, Forestry to Fund #238, Glacial Hills Grant Fund and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek that the General Unit and Unrepresented Employees could continue to subscribe to the stand alone dental program; the General Unit through a Letter of Understanding. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Drenth the Coordinator/Planner receive the same compensation package increase as given to the Unrepresented Group for 2009 retroactive to January 1, 2009, salary to be \$68,145. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #27-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Laurie Stanek

WHEREAS, the economic times in the State of Michigan are at a critical state and have been for some time; and

WHEREAS, the benefit package for state legislators is completely out of line with industry standards; and

WHEREAS, we the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, are in agreement with any legislator that would seek to present legislation to curtail or pare back legislative benefits; and

WHEREAS, HB 5019 has been sent to committee and has found co-sponsorship from state house legislators; and

WHEREAS, we feel it is time for all state legislators to support this resolution and eliminate this wasteful spending practice; and

WHEREAS, the people of Antrim County have expressed a desire to see this happen, thus we urge our Representative Kevin Elsenheimer and our Senator Jason Allen to give this issue their complete support; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adamantly urges our state legislators, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer and Senator Jason Allen, to fully support HB 5019 in an effort to limit

the benefit package received by our state legislators; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, Senator Jason Allen, Michigan Association of Counties, and all Michigan counties.

Yes – Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laurie Stanek, Bernie Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

No - None

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #27-09 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION #28-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by David Howelman

WHEREAS, encouraging Brownfield site redevelopment is critical to building a strong economic base for the future of Antrim County; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Act 451 of 1994, Part 201 (the Act), created the Baseline Environmental Assessment (BEA), a mechanism whereby developers can take ownership of a Brownfield site without incurring liability for previous site contamination, which has been successful in encouraging Brownfield redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the County has been awarded grants to conduct site assessment activities, including BEAs, at sites potentially contaminated with hazardous substances in order to make Brownfield redevelopment attractive for potential developers: and

WHEREAS, redesign of the Act, by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) proposes to (a) eliminate the Baseline Environmental Assessment, (b) make liability protection dependent on implementation of due care activities, (c) encourage remediation of contaminated sites to unspecified levels through third party lawsuits; and

WHEREAS, provisions have not been made to exclude local units of government, Brownfield Redevelopment Authorities and Land Bank Fast Track Authorities from incurring liability; and

WHEREAS, the failure to protect these entities from being subject to third party lawsuits, will halt grant activities, jeopardizing funding resources; and

WHEREAS, uncertainty about the full extent and cost of activities necessary to get and maintain liability protection will result in potential developers removing Brownfield sites from development consideration.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Antrim County Board of Commissioners opposes the changes to the Act, proposed by the DEQ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the will of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners that BEA's should not be eliminated from the Act; and

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the will of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners that completion of a BEA shall result in liability protection from contamination caused by a previous owner.

Yes – Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laurie Stanek, Bernie Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #28-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Drenth the members of the Board of Commissioners receive the same health insurance caps as were approved for the Unrepresented Employees and the General Unit Employees. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the Antrim County Computer Network System and Internet Use Policy be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek a pay increase of 2.5 % be approved for the Probate Court Judicial Secretary/Court Reporter and a 2.1% increase to parity and a 2.5% annual increase be approved for the Juvenile Officer/Court Administrator, and the same Health Insurance caps as given to the General Unrepresented Employees and the General Unit Bargaining Employees retroactive to January 1, 2009 be approved for the two aforementioned Probate and Juvenile Court employees; the resulting salaries to be as follows:

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| Judicial Secretary/Court Reporter | \$ 39,867 |
| Stipend | 2,262 |

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| Juvenile Officer/Court Administrator | 54,211 |
| Stipend | 3,165 |

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

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Drenth an ad be purchased in the soon to be printed Antrim County Plat Book. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the funds be released for the vacated cook position at the Commission on Aging and the Administration and County Services Committee be authorized to make the final hiring decision for this position and the new employee work concurrently with the current cook for two weeks. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Airport Manager's salary be set at \$53,100 retroactive to January 1, 2009. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – Stanek, Allen; Absent – None.

There was considerable discussion on the Grass River Building campaign with participants from the Board of Commissioners and Ray Ludwa, Dale Colaianni, and Mark Randolph from Grass River Natural Area Inc.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Blackmore a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners be held with the Grass River Natural Area Board, Inc.. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Mr. Garwood was requested to set up a Special Meeting to address the Grass River Building issue.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen the Revised Fees for Antrim County Transportation (see page) be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No – Crawford; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen that \$0.05 be added to the price of fuel supplied to outside agencies by Antrim County Transportation. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson,

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

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore the EMPG Grant (Emergency Services) be approved and the Chairman be authorized to sign. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #29-09 by Howelman, seconded by Allen

BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners have reviewed the Fiscal Year 2010-2012 Multi-Year 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 2010-2012 Multi-Year Plan of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan.

Yes – Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,

Michael Crawford, Laurie Stanek, Bernie Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

No - None

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #29-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore the Chairman be authorized to sign an Oil & Gas Lease with O.I.L. Energy for portions of Section 11 in Helena Township. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m. to the Call of the Chair

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

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

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernie Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Melynda Bagley introduced herself as Interim Director of Grass River Natural Area, Inc. She presented information on the various summer programs and the educational programs for area schools. Ray Bier, Vice president of the Friends of the Jordan, commented on the Star Injection Well court case and the need to continue. Joanne Beeman also spoke on continuous pursuit of success in the Star Injection Well court case. Public Comment closed at 9:12 a.m.

Prosecutor Charles Koop reported on the ORV meeting held at Shanty Creek on August 11. The Draft ORV Ordinance could be prepared and presented at the September meeting. This would start the 45 days examination period and the Ordinance could be passed or rejected in November.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Crawford that Prosecutor Koop proceed with the time line for the ORV Ordinance with initial presentation being scheduled for the September 10, 2009 Board meeting. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No - Stanek; Absent – None.

Coordinator Peter Garwood reported that the Economic Development Corporation was looking at a tax sharing policy which would change the County's role in establishing a DDA or TIF Authority.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the minutes of June 29, 2009, July 9, 2009, and July 15, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the claims and accounts total \$265,649.79 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth that \$8,000 be appropriated toward the salary of the Coordinator for the Antrim Community Collaborative Board with \$2,000 of this amount to be included in the 2009 budget (October through December) and \$6,000

to be included in the 2010 budget (January through September) and the 2009 General Fund expenditure budget be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the bill from Topp Law for \$31,635.41 for Star Injection Well Court Case expenses be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #31-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Joseph Allen

WHEREAS, under the Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, color, religion, gender, physical or mental disabilities or national origin; and,

WHEREAS, under the Michigan Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, PA 453 of 1976, as amended, it is illegal to deny the opportunity to obtain housing to any person because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status;

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS that it is the policy of the ANTRIM COUNTY HOUSING COMMITTEE to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status;

THEREFORE, the ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS does hereby pass the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that ANTRIM COUNTY HOUSING COMMITTEE shall not discriminate in the sale, rental, leasing, or financing of housing because of religion, race, color, gender, physical or mental disabilities, national origin, age, height, weight, familial status, or marital status;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the ANTRIM COUNTY HOUSING COMMITTEE will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of religion, race, color, gender, physical or mental disabilities, national origin, age, height, weight, familial status, or marital status to seek equity under federal and state laws by providing information to said persons on how to file a complaint with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights.

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BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that the ANTRIM COUNTY HOUSING COMMITTEE will, at a minimum, post this policy or the Fair Housing poster or other posters, flyers, or other information which will bring to the attention of owners of real estate, developers and builders their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law and Michigan Elliott Larsen Act.

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

RESOLUTION #31-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Antrim County Transportation Secretary position be changed from part time regular to part time irregular and that the health insurance for retiring secretary, Julie Gorno, be paid through August, 2009. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Stanek the Chairman and County Clerk be authorized to sign the Airport hanger lease between Antrim County and Jim Kane (hangar formally owned by Tom Comfort). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford the unused brochure rack be given to the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore the purchase of Forensic Computer equipment for \$2,109.39, to be reimbursed by a grant obtained by the Bellaire Police Chief, be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss pending litigation (Star Injection Well court case) and to discuss union negotiations (Probate Court), and that Prosecutor Charles Koop, Coordinator Peter Garwood, and Attorney Susan Topp remain in the Closed Session. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting closed at 10:15 a.m. and re-opened at 10:50 a.m.

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It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson that the Request for Proposal for the recycling program be sent to prospective vendors. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote

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

Mark Stone presented information on the relicensing of the Elk Rapids Hydro Facility. He indicated the process would cost up to \$250,000. He also indicated that 20% of the total cost would be paid by Antrim County. The remainder would be paid by the Stockhausens who currently have the Hydro facility. He requested direction on preparing the Notice of Intent and the Pre Application Document.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Blackmore that Mark Stone proceed with re-licensing the Elk Rapids Hydro Facility including the Notice of Intent and the Pre Application Document with Antrim County paying 20% of the costs up to a maximum of 20% of \$250,000 (\$50,000). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Steve Wade, Executive Director of United Way, presented a proposal to bring 211 to the Northern Michigan area.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that a Statement of Support be prepared for the 211 program. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Mr. Wade, on behalf of United Way, also requested passage of a Resolution declaring September 10 the Annual Day of Caring.

RESOLUTION #32-09 by Bernard Blackmore, seconded by Eugene Dawson

WHEREAS, “Day of Caring” is the United Way of North West Michigan Volunteer Center community celebration of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, over one thousand volunteers from business, corporate, service, and civic organizations, schools, faith-based organizations and agencies will mobilize on September 10, 2009 to do a day of service in our region; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers have a range of projects such as trail clean-up, beach clean-up, food drives for area pantries, diapers, painting projects, school clean-up, and more; and

RESOLVED that the County of Antrim declares that September 10, 2009 as the “Day of Caring” and supports all the wonderful work these many, many volunteers have done for this great community.

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Resolution #32-09 – continued

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Commissioners do hereby proclaim

September 10, 2009

As

the Day of Caring

And we urge our fellow citizens to volunteer in their communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can replace disconnection with understanding and compassion.

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

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #31-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the Chairman be authorized to sign the Child Care Budget Agreement for 2009-2010. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

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

Michael Crawford reported on the Grass River Natural Area Ad-hoc Committee and announced the next meeting would be August 20 at 8:00 a.m.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Allen the 2009 budget adjustment be approved as follows:

| | <u>Increase</u> | <u>Decrease</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| GENERAL FUND | | |
| Revenue | | |
| From Taxes | \$ 10,000 | |
| From Licenses & Permits | 2,500 | |
| From Other Agencies | 14,970 | |
| From Current Services | 27,200 | |
| From Other Sources | 166,500 | |
| Expenditures | | |
| Family Division – Detention /support | 5,000 | |
| Equalization – services | 3,000 | |

ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, August 13, 2009

Budget adjustments – continued

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| '05 Courthouse – contractual services | | 5,000 |
| Marine – Recreational Officer | 15,000 | |
| Uniforms | <u>400</u> | 15,400 |
| Emergency Services – Workers’ Comp | | 100 |
| Dams – contractual services | | 800 |
| Health – Autopsies | | 10,000 |
| Housing – Fringe benefits | | 150 |
| Fringe Benefits | | |
| Health Insurance | 30,000 | |
| MEBS reimbursement | <u>10,000</u> | 40,000 |
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| Fund 144 GAS & OIL ROYALTIES FUND | | |
| Revenue – royalties | | 20,000 |
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| 223 GRASS RIVER FUND | | |
| Revenue – from Grass River Inc. | | 5,000 |
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| 224 ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS | | |
| Revenue – Donations | | 1,700 |
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| 230 FORESTRY FUND | | |
| Revenue – Sale of Timber | | 5,000 |
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| 258 LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND | | |
| Expenditures – supplies | | 6,000 |
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| 261 911 OPERATING FUND | | |
| Revenue – 911 Telephone Surcharge | | 100,000 |
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| 275 HOUSING PROJECT INCOME FUND | | |
| Revenue – Interest on Debt | 3,000 | |
| Rec. for Debt | <u>15,000</u> | 18,000 |
| Expenditures – projects | | 20,000 |
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| 278 HOUSING GRANT | | |
| Revenue – from Project Income Fund | | 20,000 |
| Expenditures – Admin & Projects | | 20,000 |
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| 279 SNOWMOBILE FUND | | |
| Expenditures – Recreation Officer | | 6,000 |

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

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 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: Jerroll Drenth, Gene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laurie Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Paul Sak from the Friends of Clam Lake explained the Clam Lake Watercraft Carrying Capacity Study and gave the Clerk a copy. Al Luurtsema spoke opposing the Off Road Vehicle Ordinance. Public Comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

Charles Koop presented the Victims Right contract and the contract for Child Support Collections.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Howelman the Chairman be authorized to sign the Victims Rights contract and the contract for Child Support Collections. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman that the donation from Grass River Natural Area Inc. of property located on Brake Road in Section 6 of Custer Township be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Chairman sign an agreement with O.I.L. for an oil and gas pipeline Right of Way Grant in Section 13 of Helena Township (Finch Creek). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the Chairman and County Clerk sign a non-developmental Oil and Gas Lease with O.I.L. Energy Corp. for property on Brake Road in Section 6 of Custer Township (approx. 4.92 acres). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore, Allen; No – Stanek; Absent – None.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the language of the proposed Off Road Vehicle Ordinance be approved for Public Hearing and a Public Hearing be scheduled at the November 12, 2009 meeting. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Stanek the minutes of August 13, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

Mr. Garwood presented state legislation involving abolishment of the office of Drain Commissioner in counties of a population of less than 35,000 and under certain conditions. The general consensus was that Antrim wants to retain the office of Drain Commissioner. The matter was referred to the Public Works Committee.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the claims and accounts totaling \$243,339.38 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth that Fund #516.209, 2009 Tax Payment Fund, be established. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the Dial-a-Ride Building renovations be approved at a cost of up to \$30,000 to be paid from Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund and the budget of Fund #470 be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman the Meadowbrook operating millage for 2010 be set at 0.8 mil. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Public Works Committee reported the recycling project could start as early as October 5, 2009. There will be eight sites: Alba, Alden, Bellaire, Central Lake, Elk Rapids, Ellsworth, Mancelona, and Milton Township.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Chairman sign an 8-site, 3-year contract with American Waste for county-wide recycling. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Megan Olds from the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy informed about the Cold Creek Headwaters Addition Project.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Allen to withdraw support for the grant application for the Cold Creek Headwaters Addition project (also known as Glacier Springs project and Trout Farm project). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – Dawson; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman a Clerk II position be established in the Prosecuting Attorney’s office and the Clerk/Typist position in the Prosecuting Attorney’s office be discontinued all effective January 1, 2010. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney receive a 2.5 percent wage increase for 2009 and the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney receive an additional 1% market adjustment for 2009 all retroactive to January 1, 2009 resulting salaries to be:

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| Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney | \$ 67,414.00 |
| Assistant Prosecuting Attorney | 54,003.00 |

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

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the Prosecuting Attorney receive no increase in salary for 2009, the Prosecuting Attorney receive an increase of \$6,176.72 in the stipend received for doing the County’s civil work, and the Prosecuting Attorney receive a stipend of \$1,500 for being the County’s Freedom of Information Act Officer, all retroactive to January 1, 2009, and that the fringe benefit of health insurance or the alternative of annuity in lieu of health benefits for the Prosecuting Attorney position be discontinued resulting in the following salary and stipends:

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| Salary – Prosecuting Attorney | \$ 82,423.00 |
| Stipend – Civil Work | 17,561.00 |
| Stipend – Child support grant | 6,400.00 |
| Stipend – FOIA Officer | 1,500.00 |

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

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the request to hire a part-time irregular employee for the Abstract Department be tabled. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Clerk presented recommendations from the Democratic Party and the Republican Party for appointment to the Board of Canvassars.

The Chairman appointed Mary Lou Tarrant (Republican Party) and Clarence Bennett (Democratic Party) to the Board of Canvassars.

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It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the appointment of Mary Lou Tarrant (Republican Party) and Clarence Bennett (Democratic Party) to the Board of Canvassars, terms to expire November 1, 2013, be approved. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

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

| GENERAL FUND | Increase | Decrease |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| <u>Revenue</u> | | |
| From Taxes | 100 | |
| From Licenses & Permits | 1,000 | |
| From Other Agencies | 60,100 | |
| From Current Services | 500 | |
| From Other Sources | 56,000 | |
| <u>Expenditures</u> | | |
| Family Court – Detention Support | 8,000 | |
| District Court – Attorney fees | 20,000 | |
| Equalization – printing | 200 | |
| Prosecuting Attorney – legal expense | 1,500 | |
| Emergency Services – fringe benefit | 2,500 | |
| Animal Control – dog disposal | 500 | |
| Health – Autopsies | 10,000 | |
| Fringe Benefits – Health Ins. | 10,000 | |
| - Dental | 20,000 | |
| - Health Ins. – COA | 28,000 | |
| Special Projects – Star Well Attorney | 40,000 | |
| GAS & OIL ROYALTIES FUND #144 | | |
| Revenue – royalties | 20,000 | |
| GRASS RIVER FUND #223 | | |
| Revenue – contributions | 10,000 | |
| Expenditures – reimbursed fringes | 2,900 | |
| ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS | | |
| Revenue – Donations | 500 | |
| Expenditures – supplies | 500 | |
| PARKS FUNDRAISER FUND #236 | | |
| Revenue – clothing sales & interest | 810 | |

Budget adjustments – continued

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| CONSTRUCTION CODE FUND #249 | |
| Revenue – sale of supplies | 2,800 |
| Expenditures – book (for sale) | 2,800 |
| LAW ENFORCEMENT WEAPON SALE FUND | |
| Revenue – sale of hand gun | 300 |
| 911 OPERATING FUND #261 | |
| Revenue – surcharge | 75,000 |
| HOUSING PROJECT INCOME FUND #275 | |
| Revenue – received for debt | 50,000 |
| Expenditures – to Fund #278 for projects | 20,000 |
| HOUSING GRANT FUND #278 | |
| Revenue – from Fund 3275 | 3,000 |
| Expenditures – Admin & Projects | 11,050 |
| HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT #283 | |
| Expenditures – admin, supplies & equip. | 25,900 |
| CHILD CARE FUND #292 | |
| Expenditures | 33,000 |
| AIRPORT OPERATING FUND #581 | |
| Expenditures – fringe benefits | 5,000 |

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

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Allen to increase the rate for outside agencies for maintenance of vehicles by the Dial-a-Ride staff from \$30/hour to \$40/hour effective November 1, 2009. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Howelman the Chairman be authorized to sign the two contracts from Peckham Engineering for engineering services at the Antrim County Airport contingent upon approval by the State. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The board adjourned at 10:50 a.m. to take a tour of the proposed building site locations at the Grass River Natural Area.

P.M.

Jack White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Drenth that Site #1, the DeLange Field, be approved for the future Nature Center Building at the Grass River Natural Area. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Chairman Jack White thanked Warren Studley and Mike Meriwether for their work and input regarding the Grass River Natural Area building site issue.

The Chairman also announced that the Grass River Ad Hoc Committee would continue to meet concerning Grass River building issues.

Commissioner Michael Crawford requested that the Grass River Natural Area Inc. President Zack Liggett produce the artifacts that were transferred from the County Clerk's possession to Grass River years ago and return them to the County Clerk to be deposited in the County Clerk's vault for safe keeping. Mr. Liggett said this would be taken care of immediately.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

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

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laura Stanek, Bernard Blackmore.

Absent: Joseph Allen

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chairman called for Public Comment. Ed Martel commented on wetlands issues and the soil erosion control program of the Antrim Conservation District.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Drenth the minutes of September 10, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Bargy the Chairman be authorized to sign the Emergency Management Work Agreement Report. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

In regard to the Bay Harbor/Alba Well, it is necessary to have someone present at the stakeholders' group meeting to speak for Antrim County. The Chairman appointed Laura Stanek as representative and Peter Garwood as alternate.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson the appointment of Laura Stanek as county representative and Peter Garwood as alternate at the Bay Harbor/Alba Well stakeholders' group meeting be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth claims and accounts totaling \$96,136.41 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the Commission on Aging millage be set at 0.40. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the Antrim County Tax Sharing Policy (see pp) be adopted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #32-09 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Gene Dawson.

WHEREAS, as with the rest of the State and Nation, Antrim County is suffering from the downturn in manufacturing, which has led to loss of businesses and employment, and

WHEREAS, because of the restructuring of the auto industry, it is imperative that Michigan and Antrim County become less dependent on auto-related businesses, and

WHEREAS, the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) acts in cooperation with Antrim County and the County's Economic Development Corporation (EDC) on economic development strategies and actions, and

WHEREAS, NLEA recently conducted the "NLEA Small Business Incubator Feasibility Study", which recommended forming a "Small Business Incubator Program" in order to encourage and support entrepreneurship in the four-county NLEA region (including Antrim County), and

WHEREAS, Antrim County has been cooperating with the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) and other entities, on setting up the "NLEA Small Business Incubator Program", as a way in which to off-set the above mentioned negative economic trends,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance's application to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for funding to help support the "NLEA Small Business Incubator Program", and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners acknowledges that NLEA is acting in cooperation with Antrim County officials on the implementation of this project.

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

RESOLUTION #32-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Howelman that, in keeping with the recently installed Antrim County Recycling Program, all county departments shall recycle all items designated in the Antrim County Recycling Plan effective immediately. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the 2009 Fund #226, Recycling Fund, budget as follows be approved:

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| Revenue – from General Fund | | \$96,000 |
| Expenditures | | |
| Cont. Services (American Waste) | 90,000 | |
| Other Expenses (supplies, travel, promotion, telephone) | <u>6,900</u> | 96,000 |

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

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson that up to \$5,000 be budgeted for 2009 in Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund, for replacement of the well at the Airport. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth that up to \$1,330 be paid for repair of the Veterans’ Memorial to be paid from the County Buildings and Grounds Cost Center in the General Fund. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

The Public Hearing on the 2010 millage and General Fund budget began at 9:30 a.m. Finance Chairman Laura Stanek explained the various elements of the General Fund budget and where significant cuts and significant increases had been made. There was no public input. The Public Hearing closed at 9:40 a.m.

RESOLUTION #33-09 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Michael Crawford

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners sets the millage rate of 5.00 for General Operating, 0.40 for Commission on Aging, and 0.80 for Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility for 2010, and

BE IT ALSO HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following General Fund budget for 2010:

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|--------------|
| Beginning Fund Balance | January 01, 2010 | | \$ 5,000,000 |
| Revenue | | | |
| From Taxes | 10,084,510.00 | | |
| From Licenses & Permits | 141,950.00 | | |
| From Other Agencies | 934,270.00 | | |
| From Current Services | 1,058,810.00 | | |
| From Other Sources | <u>1,051,400.00</u> | | 13,270,940 |
| Expenditures | | | |
| Commissioners | 116,720.00 | | |
| Circuit Court | 396,009.00 | | |
| Family Division – Circuit Court | 495,746.00 | | |
| Circuit Court Probation | 4,000.00 | | |
| Family Crt. – Detention Support | 20,000.00 | | |
| District Court | 605,366.00 | | |
| Friend of the Court | 105,000.00 | | |
| Probate Court | 228,526.00 | | |
| Jury Commission | 9,000.00 | | |
| Budget/Accounting Services | 62,046.00 | | |
| County Clerk | 237,856.00 | | |
| Communications | 145,300.00 | | |
| Computer | 179,465.00 | | |
| Purchasing | 50,885.00 | | |
| Tax Allocation Board | -0- | | |
| County Treasurer | 209,325.00 | | |
| Equalization | 204,856.00 | | |

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| MSU Extension | 137,003.00 | |
| Elections | 67,350.00 | |
| Grove St. Annex | 19,100.00 | |
| '05 Courthouse | 103,678.00 | |
| Buildings and Grounds | 392,465.00 | |
| Prosecuting Attorney | 366,267.00 | |
| Register of Deeds | 155,474.00 | |
| Microfilm | 19,550.00 | |
| Plat Board | 250.00 | |
| Pros. Atty. – Victims Rights | 59,493.00 | |
| P.A. Child Support/IVD | 64,131.00 | |
| Drain Commissioner | 11,263.00 | |
| Abstract Dept. | 97,806.00 | |
| Survey & Remonumentation | 31,000.00 | |
| Building Authority | -0- | |
| Apportionment Commission | -0- | |
| Sheriff | 1,973,183.00 | |
| Marine | 161,275.00 | |
| Secondary Roads | 179,069.00 | |
| Jail | 397,234.00 | |
| Emergency Services | 53,015.00 | |
| Gun Board | 1,100.00 | |
| Animal Control | 133,408.00 | |
| Animal Census | -0- | |
| Board of Public Works | -0- | |
| Dams | 7,570.00 | |
| Health | 487,071.00 | |
| Medical Examiner | 22,850.00 | |
| Welfare | 392,560.00 | |
| Aging – not Reimbursed | 1,850.00 | |
| Veterans Affairs | 83,856.00 | |
| Housing Projects | 88,433.00 | |
| Resource Recovery | 25,750.00 | |
| Planning Commission | 9,910.00 | |
| Planning/Coordinator | 198,666.00 | |
| Economic Development Commission | 7,585.00 | |
| Parks & Recreation Advisory Board | 5,650.00 | |
| Parks – Cedar River Natural Area | 1,000.00 | |
| Parks – Wetzell Lake Operating | 6,000.00 | |
| Parks – Barnes | 213,950.00 | |
| Parks – Elk Rapids | 12,160.00 | |
| Parks – Noteware's, Mohrmann, Other | 2,000.00 | |
| Insurance & Bonds | 359,000.00 | |
| Fringe Benefits | 2,033,300.00 | |
| Special Projects – Other | 375,000.00 | |
| Capital Outlay | 194,144.00 | |
| Appropriations | <u>1,292,144.00</u> | \$ 13,313,663 |

Ending Fund Balance December 31, 2010

\$ 4,957,277

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners adopts the following policies for implementation of the 2010 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 2010 shall be Laura Sexton, 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 2010 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, 2009, the position shall immediately and automatically be deleted from the 2010 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. Three estimates should be presented. The purchase price of any capital outlay item must be approved in advance by the Finance Committee. Any capital purchase over \$3,000 must also be approved in advance by the Board of Commissioners. The Chief Administrative Officer 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 – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore;

No - None;

Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #33-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #34-09 by Laura Stanek, seconded by Jerroll Drenth

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the 2010 budgets of the following Antrim County Funds be adopted:

Fund #105 – Self Insured Reserve Fund

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| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 276,300.00 |
| Revenue | 2,800.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 279,100.00 |

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| Fund #118 – Solid Waste Reserve Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 122,000.00 |
| Revenue | 800.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 122,800.00 |

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| Fund #129 – Victims’ Rights Reserve Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Revenue | 100.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 10,100.00 |

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| Fund #137 – Capital Outlay Reserve Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 131,000.00 |
| Revenue | 1,300.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 132,300.00 |

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| Fund #142 – Dams Reserve Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 711,400.00 |
| Revenue | 7,000.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 718,400.00 |

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| Fund #144 – Gas & Oil Royalties Reserve | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 266,460.00 |
| Revenue | 80,920.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 347,380.00 |

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| Fund #161 – Grant Match Reserve | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 184,750.00 |
| Revenue | 1,850.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 186,600.00 |

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| Fund #165 – Antrim Conservation District Reserve | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 56,000.00 |
| Revenue | 600.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 56,600.00 |

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| Fund #182 – Special Projects Reserve | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 362,100.00 |
| Revenue | 3,600.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 365,700.00 |

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| Fund #215 – Friend of the Court Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ -0- |
| Revenue | 3,920.00 |
| Expenditures | 3,920.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | -0- |
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| Fund #217 – Prosecuting Attorney Legal | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 10,450.00 |
| Revenue | 50.00 |
| Expenditures | 100.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 10,400.00 |
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| Fund #218 – Computer/Voice/Data Technology Transition | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 64,800.00 |
| Revenue | 650.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 65,450.00 |
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| Fund #220 – Special Assessment – Dams | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 23,700.00 |
| Revenue | 300.00 |
| Expenditures | 1,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 23,000.00 |
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| Fund #223 – Grass River Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 45,000.00 |
| Revenue | 214,450.00 |
| Expenditures | 209,150.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 50,300.00 |
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| Fund #225 – Animal Control Donations | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 6,620.00 |
| Revenue | 2,575.00 |
| Expenditures | 5,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 4,195.00 |
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| Fund #226 – County-Wide Recycling Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Revenue | 309,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 298,750.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 11,750.00 |
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| Fund #230 – Forestry Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 107,200.00 |
| Revenue | 21,800.00 |
| Expenditures | 4,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 125,000.00 |

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| Fund #234 – Antrim Creek Natural Area | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 54,400.00 |
| Revenue | 1,600.00 |
| Expenditures | 4,840.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 51,160.00 |
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| Fund #235 – Petoskey Stone Festival | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 1,700.00 |
| Revenue | 6,950.00 |
| Expenditures | 6,900.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,750.00 |
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| Fund #236 – Parks Fundraiser | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 2,100.00 |
| Revenue | 725.00 |
| Expenditures | 725.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 2,100.00 |
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| Fund #238 – Glacial Hills Grant | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | 70,380.00 |
| Revenue | 337,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 406,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,380.00 |
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| Fund #244 – EDC Revolving | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 3,000.00 |
| Revenue | 25.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 3,025.00 |
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| Fund #249 – Construction Code Enforcement Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ (37,804.00) |
| Revenue | 351,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 338,633.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | (24,937.00) |
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| Fund #255 – Homestead Property Tax Exemption Audit Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 300.00 |
| Revenue | 5,050.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 5,350.00 |
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| Fund #256 – Register of Deeds Automation Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 115,886.00 |
| Revenue | 84,300.00 |
| Expenditures | 126,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 74,186.00 |

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| Fund #257 – Budget Stabilization Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 656,700.00 |
| Revenue | 4,000.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 660,700.00 |

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| Fund #258 – Law Enforcement Weapon Sale | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 1,499.00 |
| Revenue | -0- |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,499.00 |

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| Fund #259 – 911 Training | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 16,700.00 |
| Revenue | 10,200.00 |
| Expenditures | 10,200.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 16,700.00 |

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| Fund #261 – 911 Operating Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 339,829.00 |
| Revenue | 694,185.00 |
| Expenditures | 694,285.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 339,729.00 |

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| Fund #262 – 911 Wireless | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 219,424.00 |
| Revenue | 141,400.00 |
| Expenditures | 122,700.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 238,124.00 |

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| Fund #264 – Local Corrections Officer’s Training | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 22,093.00 |
| Revenue | 9,300.00 |
| Expenditures | 9,300.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 22,093.00 |

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| Fund #267 – Jail Inmate Proceeds | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 16,151.00 |
| Revenue | 15,200.00 |
| Expenditures | 18,500.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 12,851.00 |

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| Fund #268 – Michigan Justice Training | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 2,019.00 |
| Revenue | 3,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 3,500.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 2,019.00 |

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| Fund #269 – Law Library | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 4,930.00 |
| Revenue | 28,600.00 |
| Expenditures | 22,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 11,530.00 |
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| Fund #275 – Housing Project Income | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | 3,000.00 |
| Revenue | \$ 106,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 45,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 64,500.00 |
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| Fund #278 – Housing CDBG Grant | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 500.00 |
| Revenue | 45,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 23,900.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 21,600.00 |
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| Fund #279 – Snowmobile Grant | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 15,835.00 |
| Revenue | 58,873.00 |
| Expenditures | 58,873.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 15,835.00 |
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| Fund #281 – Housing CDBG 2005-2006 | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Revenue | -0- |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,000.00 |
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| Fund #282 - Clean Lakes | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 7,690.00 |
| Revenue | 75.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 7,765.00 |
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| Fund #283 – Region 7 Homeland Security | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 90,000.00 |
| Revenue | 10,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 10,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 90,000.00 |
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| Fund #285 – Revenue Sharing Reserve | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$4,742,780.00 |
| Revenue | -0- |
| Expenditures | 435,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 4,307,780.00 |

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| Fund #286 – Probate Grant | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Revenue | 7,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 7,940.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,560.00 |
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| Fund #287 – Emerg. Serv. LEPC Grant | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | 474.00 |
| Revenue | -0- |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 474.00 |
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| Fund #290 -Homebuyers Purchase Rehab Grant | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 6,709.00 |
| Revenue | 5,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 10,300.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,409.00 |
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| Fund #292 – Child Care | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 150,200.00 |
| Revenue | 531,010.00 |
| Expenditures | 340,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 341,210.00 |
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| Fund #293 – Veterans Relief | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 12,684.00 |
| Revenue | 60,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 21,500.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 51,684.00 |
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| Fund #294 – Veterans Trust Fund | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 316.00 |
| Revenue | 5,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 4,025.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,291.00 |
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| Fund #298 – Meadowview Senior Housing | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 77,714.00 |
| Revenue | 114,292.00 |
| Expenditures | 122,775.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 69,231.00 |
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| Fund #371 – '05 Courthouse Debt Retirement | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 10,814.00 |
| Revenue | 300.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 11,114.00 |

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| Fund #464 – Elk Rapids Fish Park | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 8,518.00 |
| Revenue | 100.00 |
| Expenditures | -0- |
| Ending Fund Balance | 8,618.00 |

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| Fund #468 – Grass River N.A. Interpretive Center | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 100.00 |
| Revenue | 1,500,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 1,500,000.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 100.00 |

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| Fund #470 – Cap. Proj.-Co. Buildings & Structures | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 463,782.00 |
| Revenue | 30,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 11,600.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 482,182.00 |

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| Fund #581 – Airport Operating | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$1,046,346.00 |
| Revenue | 419,850.00 |
| Expenditures | 419,838.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 1,046,358.00 |

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| Fund #582 – Elk Rapids Hydro Utility System | |
| Beginning Fund Balance | \$ 334,309.00 |
| Revenue | 1,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 500.00 |
| Ending Fund Balance | 334,809.00 |

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

RESOLUTION #34-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Matt McCauley presented a report on the Grand Vision – Antrim Perspectives. He also presented the County Board with the Regional Cooperation Award.

Mr. McCauley also outlined the features of a two-year grant from the Michigan Public Service Commission to assist in the procurement and finance of renewable energy and energy efficiency systems at local government facilities in the ten-county region. The county board is to form a volunteer “Green Energy Team” to assist with the grant. The county will also establish an energy saving account. After new energy systems are installed, the county shall deposit 50% of the energy savings associated with the improvement into a designated fund for future investments in energy efficiency or renewable energy systems.

Mr. McCauley also requested that Antrim County be lead applicant for a grant from the Michigan Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG), which is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for funds to create a Regional Energy Office.

RESOLUTION #35-09 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by David Howelman

WHEREAS, Antrim County is committed to pursuing greater energy cost savings through energy efficiency improvements.

WHEREAS, Antrim County is a named beneficiary in a grant awarded by the Michigan Public Service Commission, effective October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2011, to implement the Renewables and Energy Efficiency for Local Governments Program to assist in the procurement and finance of energy audits, equipment, and services for renewable energy and energy efficient systems at local government facilities.

WHEREAS, the Renewables and Energy Efficiency for Local Governments Program will make available up to \$8,000 for an energy audit or equivalent service and up to \$40,000 for procurement of energy equipment and services for renewable energy and energy efficiency systems at Antrim County facilities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, Antrim County agrees to appoint a volunteer Green Energy Team of at least five members to work with the Board to gather data on energy use, set goals, develop an action plan for making energy improvements, communicate results to the Board and public, participate in an energy audit or equivalent service at a value of up to \$8,000 and procure equipment and services at a value of up to \$40,000; and agrees to establish an energy savings account where half of utility bill savings can be deposited and designated for future energy investments; and agrees to authorize one commissioner or staff member to act as the point of contact for issues of general administration to the Renewables and Energy Efficiency for Local Governments Program.

FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED that, Antrim County agrees to act as the applicant in a multi-jurisdictional proposal to the Michigan Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program to support the creation and operation of a Regional Energy Office that will serve Antrim County by working to develop and finance renewable energy and energy efficiency projects and bring about greater energy cost savings for the region.

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

RESOLUTION #35-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Chairman of the Human Services Committee reported that the matter of transferring total management and control of Meadowview Apartments to the Meadow Brook Board has been thoroughly examined and the Committee is recommending the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION #36-09 by David Howelman, seconded by Laurie Stanek

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners approves the transfer of control and responsibility of the building and associated property identified formally as Meadowview Apartments to the Meadowbrook Board effective November 1, 2009 on the following condition:

1. Transfer of the Meadowview Senior Housing fund balance (Fund #298) to Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility effective November 1, 2009

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

No - None;

Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #36-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Stanek the lease with Area Seniors Inc. for the Antrim County Senior Center be cancelled; the Chairman be authorized to sign a new Use Agreement with the Area Senior, Inc for the use of the Senior Center; the Chairman be authorized to sign a new lease agreement with Forest Home Township and Kearney Township for the Senior Center and property; the Chairman be authorized to sign any other documents which are necessary to the implementation of the above named transactions; and the tacit agreement that the Bellaire Chamber of Commerce continue to occupy their present space in the Senior Center be continued indefinitely. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

Greg Piaskowski gave the Area Agency on Aging 2008 Annual Report.

Equalization Director Robert Englebrecht gave the 2009 Apportionment Report. (See pp).

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Dawson the 2009 Apportionment Report be accepted as presented. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

Jean Snow and Lowell Sanford presented the Community Foundation Annual Report.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Dawson that a recycling site be added at Shanty Creek with the stipulation that Shanty Creek pay all expenses involved with establishing and maintaining the site including expenses of pick-up by American Waste. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Crawford that budget administration be transferred from the County Clerk to the Coordinator/Planner.

Gene Dawson and Larry Bargy stated that they would like to exercise their right to table the preceding motion about budget administration. The motion was tabled.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the proposal in the state government to combine the Department of Agriculture with the Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Natural Resources is opposed by Antrim County and letters be sent to Representative Elsenheimer, Senator Allen, and Governor Granholm indicating this opposition. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Drenth the Antrim County Board of Commissioners has enthusiastic recognition of Commissioner Michael Crawford as a member of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Association of Counties. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Howelman the Village of Bellaire's request to hold snowmobile drag races on the "Hunt Club" property west of the Village be granted contingent upon the Village providing an insurance certificate. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford, that in regard to the Jail, the bid/quote process for removal of an old cooler and installation of a new walk-in freezer/cooler with necessary remodeling be started with cost for the project to be paid from the 2010 budget of Fund #470, Capital Projects Fund. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None. Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Drenth, seconded by Crawford the bid policy be waived and specifications be released for competitive quotes for shoring up beams and purlins of the Antrim County Transportation Building. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Barga, seconded by Dawson that \$500 be transferred from Fund #225, Animal Control Donations Fund, to the General Fund (Animal Control) for Brenda McGuire to attend an education session in Lansing. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – Stanek; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Barga, seconded by Howelman a Universal Forensic Extraction Unit be purchased for the Sheriff Department at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 to be paid from the Sheriff Cost Center in the General Fund. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Barga, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Barga, seconded by Howelman the Sheriff continue to apply to LETPP for a \$20,000 grant for a computer and software for the forensic investigator. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Chairman appointed Bernard Blackmore to the Grass River Natural Area Inc. Director Search Committee.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the appointment of Bernard Blackmore to the Grass River Natural Area Inc. Director Search Committee be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the bid from Matelski for \$10,750 for timber cutting on Skinkle Road in Echo Township be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson that investigation be continued into finding a site for a boat launch on Lake Michigan at the north end of Antrim Creek Natural Area or through purchase of land at the north end of the county. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – Stanek; Absent – Allen.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Board request the Nature Conservancy release use restrictions on portion of the Grass River Natural Area property to allow leeway for the construction of an Education Center. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Allen.

RESOLUTION #37-09 by Eugene Dawson, seconded by David Howelman

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack White, Chairman, be authorized and directed to execute Contract No. 2009-0731, (Land Acquisition costs of parcels E45, E46, E47, E48, E49, and E50 as further defined in Contract No. FM 05-01-LAND) for and on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

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

RESOLUTION #37-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

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ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Thursday, November 12, 2009

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

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Laurie Stanek, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen;

Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman presented Dee Lynch, Chairman of the Antrim High Tea for Breast Cancer, with a Commendation Resolution from Governor Granholm and, also an award for Excellence by a Non-Profit Health Service Organization from the Michigan Department of Public Health.

RESOLUTION #38-09 by Laurie Stanek, seconded by Michael Crawford

WHEREAS, Carol Mitchell, RN, BSN, has been employed as the Director of Antrim County's Commission on Aging since June 5, 1995; and,

WHEREAS, during that time, Carol Mitchell has given continued support and assistance in providing needed services to Antrim County Senior Residents; and

WHEREAS, Carol Mitchell has served as Nurse, Counselor, and Advocate of Antrim County Senior Residents from 1995 to 2009; and

WHEREAS, all of us here at Antrim County have come to appreciate Carol Mitchell's level of care and compassion for all of Antrim County's Residents.

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

CAROL MITCHELL

for over 14 years of dedicated service to the Citizens and Senior Residents of Antrim County.

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

No - None;

Absent – None;

RESOLUTION #38-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

The Public Hearing on the Off-Road Vehicle Ordinance opened at 9:15 a.m. Persons with Public Comment included Al Luurtsema, and Ray Ludwa from Forest Home Township, Alan Martel and Tom Stillings from Torch Lake Township, David Peterson from Helena Township, Barb Bradford and Rolland Kotz from Kearney Township, Bill Derenzy from Echo Township, Roy Wicht from Chestonia Township, Bruce Bowen from Mancelona Township, and Bill Carson from Jordan Township. Comments varied from absolutely no ordinance to ordinance with modifications to ordinance with increased enforcement possibilities to absolutely yes to Proposed Ordinance. The Public Hearing closed at 9:55 a.m.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Dawson the minutes of October 8, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the claims and accounts totaling \$399,729.51 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that, in the 2010 General Fund budget, the revenue amount for “from Revenue Sharing Fund” be increased by \$8,170 to \$443,170. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the following Funds with a current \$-0- balance be eliminated from the Trial Balance: Fund #224, Pollution Control Fund; Fund #237, Public Access Book Fund; Fund #239, Barnes Park Grant Fund; Fund #258, Law Enforcement Weapon Sale Fund; Fund #266, Antrim County K-9 Fund; Fund #273, 2007 Emergency Services Grant Fund; Fund #284, Emergency Services Grant Fund; Fund #289, Housing Grant 2001 Fund; and also Fund #252, Road Patrol Fund, the use of which will end as of December 31, 2009 regardless of 2009 wages and fringes which will be paid in 2010 which will result in a \$-0- as of December 31, 2009 (remaining 2009 wages and fringes being paid in 2010 will be paid from the Sheriff Cost Center in the General Fund). Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy the Family Division of Circuit Court purchase a Microfilm Reader/Printer for \$6,500 and that the Legal Fees line item of the Family Division cost center budget be decreased by \$6,500 and the Family Division equipment line item of the Capital Outlay cost center budget (all General Fund) be increased by \$6,500 to facilitate this purchase. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Drenth the Coordinator/Planner Department

purchase a laptop computer for the Associate Planner at a cost not to exceed \$1,900 and the 2009 Coordinator/Planner equipment line item of the 2009 Capital Outlay cost center budget (General Fund) be increased by \$1,900 and the Coordinator/Planner equipment line item of the 2010 Capital Outlay cost center budget (General Fund) be decreased by \$2,300 (amount budgeted for computer replacement). Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Allen that the Construction Code Enforcement Department purchase 2 laptops at a cost not to exceed \$2,100 and that \$2,100 be transferred from Fund #137, Capital Outlay Reserve Fund, to Fund #249, Construction Code Enforcement Fund, and the budgets of both funds be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Bargy that Fund #240, GIS Implementation Fund, be retained with the current balance and be renamed GIS Operations Fund. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Blackmore the following 2009 budget adjustments be approved:

| | Increase | Decrease |
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| GENERAL FUND | | |
| <u>Revenue</u> | | |
| From Taxes | 900 | |
| From Licenses & Permits | 20,400 | 1,600 |
| From Other Agencies | 49,500 | 5,000 |
| From Current Services | 35,600 | 21,500 |
| From Other Sources | 144,500 | |
| <u>Expenditures</u> | | |
| Probate Court – supplies & transcripts | 700 | |
| Elections – supplies | | 10,000 |
| Pros. Atty. Victims Rights-fringe benefits | 830 | |
| Board of Public Works | 241 | |
| Health – Autopsies | 5,000 | |
| Health – Approp. – NMSAS | | 20,000 |
| Housing-reimbursed fringe benefits | 9,000 | |
| Fringe Benefits – MEBS | 3,000 | |
| Special Projects – Star Well Attorney | 30,000 | |
| GAS & OIL ROYALTIES FUND #144 | | |
| Revenue – gas & oil lease | 10,100 | |

FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND #215

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| Revenue | 1,000 | |
| Expenditures | 1,000 | |
| SPECIAL ASSESSMENT – DAMS #220 | | |
| Expenditures – inspection & supplies | 3,800 | |
| GRASS RIVER FUND #223 | | |
| Revenue – from State grant | 1,154,126 | |
| interest from investments | 1,000 | |
| ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS #225 | | |
| Revenue – donations | 500 | |
| COUNTY WIDE RECYCLING #226 | | |
| Revenue – interest from investments | 100 | |
| FORESTRY #230 | | |
| Revenue – sale of timber, etc. | 35,000 | |
| PARKS FUNDRAISER FUND #236 | | |
| Revenue – clothing sales & interest | 2,000 | |
| Expenditures – supplies | 2,500 | |
| HOMESTEAD PROPERTY #255 | | |
| Revenue – penalties & interest | 4,000 | |
| LAW ENFORCEMENT WEAPON SALE FUND #258 | | |
| Revenue – sale of hand guns | 500 | |
| HOUSING GRANT FUND #278 | | |
| Revenue – from Fund #275 | 3,000 | |
| Expenditures – admin & projects | 1,500 | |
| HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT #283 | | |
| Revenue – from Grant | 200,000 | |
| Expenditures – admin, supplies & equip. | 134,400 | |
| | Increase | Decrease |
| PROBATE GRANT #286 | | |
| Revenue | 500 | |
| Expenditures | 500 | |
| CHILD CARE FUND #292 | | |
| Expenditures | 105,000 | |

CAPITAL PROJECTS #470

Projects – Co. Bldg.

30,000

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

Coordinator Peter Garwood explained a grant application the LEPC would like to make to help the LEPC operate.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman the LEPC Chairman, Peter Garwood, be authorized to sign the grant application for the LEPC. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

David Howelman, Human Service Committee Chairman, explained that the administration at Meadowbrook had requested the opportunity to manage the Commission on Aging.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Allen that a Proposal be requested from Meadowbrook MCF for management of the Commission on Aging. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

The Chairman appointed the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Peter Garwood, and Jack White to the “Green Team” for the Michigan Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant.

It was moved by Stanek, seconded by Crawford the appointment of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Peter Garwood, and Jack White to the “Green Team” for the Michigan Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant be approved. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Allen, seconded by Dawson the Chairman be authorized to sign a communication to FERC indicating the beginning of the process for relicensing of the Elk Rapids Hydro Dam Facility. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the Antrim Conservation District apply for a grant for improvements on the Cedar River and Cedar River Natural Area. The motion was tabled by Commissioner Crawford until December.

ORDINANCE #02 Of 2009 by Larry Bargy, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

An ordinance adopted for the purpose of authorizing and regulating the operation of Off

Road Vehicles (ORVs) on roads in Antrim County, for the purpose of providing penalties for the violation thereof, and for the distribution of public funds resulting from those penalties pursuant to 2008 PA 240, MCL 324.81131.

THE COUNTY OF ANTRIM ORDAINS:

Section 1 Definitions

1.101 As used in this ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:

1.101.1 “County” means the County of Antrim, State of Michigan.

1.101.2 “Driver license” means an operator’s or chauffeur’s license or permit issued to an individual by the Secretary of State under Chapter III of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.301 to 257.329, for that individual to operate a vehicle, whether or not conditions are attached to the license or permit.

1.101.3 “Operate” means to ride in or on, and be in actual physical control of the operation of an ORV.

1.101.4 “Operator” means a person who operates or is in actual physical control of the operation of an ORV.

1.101.5 “ORV” means a motor driven off road recreation vehicle capable of cross-country travel without benefit of a road or trail, on or immediately over land, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, or other natural terrain. ORV or vehicle includes, but is not limited to, a multi-track or multi-wheel drive vehicle, an ATV, a motorcycle or related 2-wheel, 3-wheel, or 4-wheel vehicle, an amphibious machine, a ground effect air cushion vehicle, or other means of transportation deriving motor power from a source other than muscle or wind. ORV or vehicle does not include a registered snowmobile, a farm vehicle being used for farming, a vehicle used for military, fire, emergency, or law enforcement purposes, a vehicle owned and operated by a utility company or an oil or gas company when performing maintenance on its facilities or on property over which it has an easement, a construction or logging vehicle used in performance of its common function, or a registered aircraft.

1.101.6 “Road” means a county primary road or county local road as described in Section 5 of 1951 PA 51, MCL 247.655.

1.101.7 “Road Commission” means the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of Antrim.

1.101.8 “Safety certificate” means a certificate issued pursuant to 1994 PA 451 as amended, MCL 324.81129, or a comparable ORV safety certificate issued under the authority of another state or a province of Canada.

- 1.101.9 “Township” means an individual township within the County of Antrim.
- 1.101.10 “Township Board” means a board of trustees of any township within the County of Antrim.
- 1.101.11 “Visual supervision” means the direct observation of the operator with the unaided or normally corrected eye, where the observer is able to come to the immediate aid of the operator.

Section 2 Closed Roads

2.101 An ORV may be operated on the far right of the maintained portion of a road within the county with these exceptions:

- 2.101.1 All State roads including State forest roads.
- 2.101.2 All roads, streets, and alleys in any Village within the County.
- 2.101.3 All Federal roads.
- 2.101.4 East Torch Lake Drive, from the intersection of East Torch Lake Drive and Alden Highway to the intersection of East Torch Lake Drive and M-88, being in Helena, Forest Home, and Central Lake Townships.
- 2.101.5 North West Torch Lake Drive from the intersection of Indian Road and North West Torch Lake Drive to the intersection of North West Torch Drive and Barnes Road being in Milton and Torch Lake Townships.
- 2.101.6 All named and unnamed roads in Jordan, Warner, Star, and Chestonia Townships within an area bounded by M-66, Old State Road/County Road 624, Adams Road, M-32, US-131, and County Road 620, commonly known as the Jordan River Valley.

Section 3 Township Roads

3.101 A township board of a township in the County may adopt an ordinance to close any roads within the boundaries of the township to the operation of ORVs permitted by the County. Beginning July 17, 2009, the township board of a township in the County may adopt an ordinance authorizing the operation of ORVs on the maintained portion of 1 or more roads located within the township, pursuant to MCL 324.81131(3).

Section 4 Closing Road by Order of the County Road Commission

4.101 The County Road Commission may close no more than 30% of the total linear miles of roads in the County to protect the environment or if the operation of ORVs pose a particular and demonstrable threat to public safety. The Road Commission may not close a municipal street to the operation of ORVs opened under MCL 324.81131 subsection 5.

Section 5 Operation of ORV

5.101 An ORV may not be operated on the road surface, roadway, shoulder or right-of-way of any state highway in the county.

5.102 Except as set forth herein or otherwise provided by law, an ORV meeting all of the following conditions may be operated on a road or street in the county:

5.102.1 At a speed of no more than 25 miles per hour or a lower posted speed limit.

5.102.2 By a person not less than 12 years of age.

5.102.3 With the flow of traffic.

5.102.4 In a manner which does not interfere with traffic on the road or street.

5.102.5 Traveling single file, except when overtaking and passing another ORV.

5.102.6 When visibility is not substantially reduced due to weather conditions unless displaying a lighted headlight and taillight.

5.102.7 One-half hour before sunrise until ½ hour after sunset unless displaying a lighted headlight and lighted taillight.

5.102.8 While displaying a lighted headlight and lighted taillight at all hours beginning January 1, 2010.

5.102.9 While the operator and each passenger is wearing a crash helmet and protective eyewear approved by the United State Department of Transportation, unless the vehicle is equipped with a roof that meets or exceeds standards for a crash helmet and the operator and each passenger is wearing a properly adjusted and fastened seat belt.

5.102.10 With a throttle so designed that when the pressure used to advance the throttle is removed, the engine speed will immediately and automatically return to idle.

5.102.11 While the ORV is equipped with a spark arrester-type United States Forest Service approved muffler in good working order and is in constant operation.

5.102.12 Pursuant to noise emission standards defined by law.

Section 6 Restrictions of Operation by children less than 16 years of age.

6.101 A child less than 16 years of age shall not operate an ORV on a road in the county unless the child is under the direct visual supervision of an adult and the child has in his or her immediate possession a Michigan issued ORV safety certificate or a comparable ORV safety certificate issued under the authority of another state or a province of Canada.

6.102 Unless a person possesses a valid drivers license, a person shall not operate an ORV on a road or street in the county if the ORV is registered as a motor vehicle and is either more than 60 inches wide or has three wheels.

Section 7 Penalties – Use of Fines/Costs

7.101 Any person who violates this ordinance is guilty of a municipal civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than \$500.00.

7.102 A court may order a person who causes damage to the environment, a road or other property as a result of the operation of an ORV to pay full restitution for that damage above and beyond the penalties paid for civil fines.

7.103 The County Treasurer shall deposit all fines and damages collected under this ordinance into a fund to be designated as the ORV Fund. The County's Board of Commissioners shall appropriate revenue in the ORV Fund as follows:

7.103.1 Fifty percent for the County Road Commission for repairing damage to roads and the environment that may have been caused by ORVs, and for posting signs indicating ORV speed limits, or indicating whether roads are open or closed to the operation of an ORV.

7.103.2 Fifty percent to the County Sheriff for ORV enforcement and training.

Section 8 Effective Date

8.101 This ordinance shall be effective November 12, 2009 and upon publication of notice of adoption of the Ordinance. If within 50 days after the County Board of Commissioners has adopted an Ordinance, a petition, signed by not less than

20% of the electors residing in the county, is filed with the County Clerk asking that the Ordinance be submitted to the electors of the county for approval or rejection, then the Ordinance shall not take effect until it has been approved by a majority of the electors of the county voting on that issue at a regular scheduled election date.

Yes – Jerroll Drenth, Gene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore, Joseph Allen.

No - Jack White, David Howelman, Laurie Stanek

Absent – None.

ORDINANCE #02 of 2009 DECLARED ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION #39-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by David Howelman

WHEREAS, the County of Antrim strongly supports tourism throughout the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the County recognizes that current funding for the *Pure Michigan* program has been exhausted and legislation has been introduced in the Michigan Senate to seek additional funds for the program; and

WHEREAS, the funding source proposed by the Michigan Senate includes a tax on tourist-related sales which cannot fund the program at its current levels, and it would likely take at least three years before the necessary funding level is achieved; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan House has proposed legislation to continue funding the *Pure Michigan* program through an alternative funding plan that calls for a \$2.50 tax on car rentals at major airports.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners asks that the Michigan Senate introduce legislation that mirrors the bills introduced by the Michigan House which includes an alternative funding plan for the *Pure Michigan* program that calls for a \$2.50 tax on car rentals at major airports to allow for the immediate funding of the *Pure Michigan* program.

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

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #39-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the part time bus driver position at Antrim County Transportation currently occupied by Terry Springer be increased to full time. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #40-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Laurie Stanek

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Northern Michigan Broadband Cooperative is to facilitate the provision of reliable broadband and telecommunications services throughout Northern Michigan at affordable rates for all users but, particularly, education, government services, economic development and commerce, health care, and emergency services; and

WHEREAS, the small businesses that are typical of the Northern Michigan rural area are increasingly reliant on high-speed communications to maintain or improve their competitive position, and educational, medical, and emergency services also need high-speed communications to improve the quality and range of services they offer; and

WHEREAS, extending high-speed broadband access to all Northern Michigan citizens will enable them to participate fully in the economy of the future, reduce commuting, save resources, and enable our elders and those with disabilities to lead more productive and richer lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners supports the mission of the Northern Michigan Broadband Cooperative (NMBC) to bring broadband network services to homes, institutions, and businesses in the 21 county region of northern Lower Michigan including the Counties of Alcona, Antrim, Alpena, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Iosco, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, and Wexford.

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

RESOLUTION #40-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Howelman the Administration Committee be authorized to finalize hiring of a Commission on Aging Director. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Stanek the funding be restored for and the County Clerk be authorized to fill the vacant position in her office. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen; No – None; Absent – None.

Dean Solomon, the Charlevoix County MSU Extension Director gave a presentation on behalf of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance about needs for and problems with economic growth in Northern Michigan.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the Outline for Transfer of the Chief Administrative Officer Designation and Duties from Laura Sexton to Peter Garwood as amended be accepted. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows:
Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargo, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Allen;
No – None; Absent – None.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

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ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Thursday, December 10, 2009

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

Present: Jerroll Drenth, Eugene Dawson, Larry Bargy, Jack White, David Howelman,
Michael Crawford, Bernard Blackmore;

Absent: Laurie Stanek, Joseph Allen.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman requested Public Comment. There was none.

Charles Koop reported on the encroachment by a privately owned building (approximately 6 ft) on a corner of Antrim County property in the Lake of the Woods area. There will be an agreement signed between the property owner and Antrim County stating that the building may remain as located until destroyed or plans are made for rebuilding.

Peter Garwood reported that State Representative Kevin Elsenheimer suggested a plan to amend the Forest Reserve Act to facilitate Antrim County acquisition of land for the Glacial Hills Project.

RESOLUTION #41-09 BY Eugene Dawson, seconded by Bernard Blackmore

WHEREAS, the County of Antrim is in the process of purchasing one hundred seventy-two (172) acres in Sections 13 and 14 of Forest Home Township (currently known as the Sevald Property) with the assistance of the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF), and

WHEREAS, when purchased, this property, together with adjacent property currently under County ownership and other adjacent property Forest Home Township intends to purchase, will create a fantastic 750-plus acre park (the Glacial Hills Pathway and Natural Area) for public recreation and enjoyment in perpetuity, and

WHEREAS, a third party purchased the above reference 172 acres from the Sevald family to hold it while the County of Antrim applied for a MNRTF grant, and

WHEREAS, once the County of Antrim was selected for grant approval, county officials began the process of purchasing the property while following the MNRTF guidelines, and

WHEREAS, the Sevalds had the above referenced 172 acres enrolled in the Commercial Forest Act (CFA) during their ownership of the property which, at the time of the third party purchase of the property, was not discovered and consequently not

addressed at the time of purchase, and

WHEREAS, the County of Antrim is now being asked to pay the \$35,000 for the withdrawal application fee and penalties for removal of the above referenced property from the CFA, and

WHEREAS, after providing the necessary match for application for an MNRTF grant, the County of Antrim is under undue hardship and cannot provide the required \$35,000 for withdrawal of the property from the CFE, and

WHEREAS, when a parcel of property is in private ownership and enrolled in the CFA, it can be removed from the program at any time, which also removed the property from public use and ends the guarantee of protection for the forest products, and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners believes that requiring the County to pay the penalties and withdrawal application fee on the above mentioned 172 acres is unreasonable due to the fact that once the County of Antrim purchases the property, it will continue in a forested state and will be protected for the enjoyment of the people of the State of Michigan forever, and

WHEREAS, House Bill 5681, if approved, will allow a local unit of government to withdraw a property purchased for public use from the CFA without payment of a withdrawal fee or penalties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Antrim County Board of Commissioners wholeheartedly supports House bill 5681 and respectfully request approval by the Legislature and the Governor.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore;

No - None;

Absent – Stanek, Allen.

RESOLUTION #41-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the minutes of November 12, 2009 be approved. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Blackmore the claims and accounts totaling \$236,631.11 be approved and paid. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows:

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – None;

Absent – Stanek, Allen;

It was moved by Bargy, seconded by Drenth the county contract with Verizon for Private Switch/Automatic Location Identification at \$2,500 for a five-year contract and that a National Emergency Security Number be obtained at a cost of \$200.00 per year. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White,

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

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Howelman that Antrim County Building Authority be used to assist in implementation of the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility expansion/remodeling plan. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Stanek, Allen.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Dawson the county join the Northern Michigan Broadband Cooperative at a membership fee of \$500. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bary, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Stanek, Allen.

RESOLUTION #43-09 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Jerroll Drenth

WHEREAS, with much of the budgeted activity performed by the, each county government acts primarily as an “agent” of the State to extend throughout the State the various powers of State government to provide State mandated services for the benefit of Michigan residents; and,

WHEREAS, the State legislators pass into law various provisions as to how these State mandated services performed by the county are to be proportionately funded by the state; and,

WHEREAS, over time, many elected State officials seem to have lost an understanding of this interconnected relationship between the two levels of Michigan government, and of the laws in place that prohibit unfunded mandates and that require certain levels of State funding to the counties; and,

WHEREAS, recent examples, which are crippling county governments’ ability to provide necessary and mandated services, include the following:

In 1978, the voters of Michigan approved the “Headlee Amendment: which protects counties from unfunded mandates from the State legislature; yet despite this constitutional limit placed upon the State government, the legislature has continued to add more mandates for counties, while cutting funding to county governments year after year; and

For the past several years the State has not followed the statutory formula of PA 140 “Glenn Steil State Revenue Sharing Act of 1972.; (MCL 141.911) that requires 21.3% of the 4% of sales tax be directed to local governments and 25% of that local government revenue sharing go to counties; and
PA 356 of 2004 “County Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund”

(MCL 141.911) *temporarily* suspended the above law, taxed all Michigan residents earlier than previously scheduled for property taxes, and utilized these revenues as a *temporary* replacement to the statutory revenue sharing for counties, with a stipulation to return counties to their previous revenue sharing in full when this alternate source of revenue is depleted, yet State proposals now call for ignoring that statutory mandate as well; and
In regard to PA 245 of 2008, Part 1, Line Item Appropriation, Section 103, Planning and Community Support, County Jail Reimbursement Program (MCL 769.35), under a most disingenuously crafted provision of State law that states “*expenditures shall not exceed the amount appropriated,*” counties have *once again* been notified by the State that the State will not make a fourth quarter reimbursement payment to the counties for diverted felons; and
In regard to PA 513 of 2004 (Payment in Lieu of Taxes On Certain State Lands” (PILT) (MCL 141.922) payment to counties for certain real property owned by the state and controlled by the Department of Natural Resources, the payments have not been made; and

WHEREAS, it is the right and duty of citizens to hold their government accountable to follow the law, and of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, as duly elected citizens, to insist that the State government adhere to all of the laws passed by the State legislature, and that the State pay all payments in full to the counties; and

WHEREAS, State officials must follow their own State laws if they expect the citizens to do so; and

WHEREAS, State officials must pass appropriate legislation that property funds mandates, not disingenuous laws that provide loopholes for the State government to shift their portion of the burden when desired; and

WHEREAS, State officials must not balance their budget by withholding required payments to counties while expecting to receive revenues in full from the counties.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that where the State has withhold payments to Antrim County that are mandated, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners intends to explore every legal means to withhold any payment due to the State of Michigan, dollar for dollar, utilizing the same criteria as State legislation, in which the County will direct that “*expenditures shall not exceed the amount appropriated*” wherein to ensure a balance budget as required by law, the amount appropriated for various payments to the State shall be decreased if State mandated

payments to the County are decreased; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board of Commissioners does so begrudgingly, as we and all citizens expect better from the State government that serves us and we hope that we will not have to resort to such a measure, but rather that the State will find a way to balance its revenues and expenditures in the same way the counties do, through appropriate cuts that do not include withholding payments that have legally been agreed upon to be made for services directed to be provided; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT THE Antrim County Clerk be directed to forward copies of this resolution to Governor Jennifer Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, the Michigan Association of Counties, and the other 82 Michigan Counties.

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

RESOLUTION #42-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Drenth that effective December 14, 2009 Michael Neubecker be employed in the position of Commission on Aging Director/Office Manager (positions to be combined as of the date of hiring) and, in this position, he be considered as an at-will employee, and, in the event Mr. Neubecker does not accept the position, it be offered to Patricia Wiltse and, if she cannot accept, it be offered next to Brent Jansen. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows:
Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – None;
Absent – Stanek, Allen.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Antrim Creek Natural Area Board

| | |
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| Jerroll Drenth | term of elected office |
| Carl Veenstra | term expires January 1, 2013 |

Commission on Aging Board

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| Dr. Mary Kokosky | term expires January 1, 2011 |
| Edward Bradford | term expires January 1, 2011 |
| Beverly McCamman | term expires January 1, 2011 |
| Rick Teague | term expires January 1, 2011 |

Construction Code Appeals Board

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| Marshall Wright | term expires December 31, 2011 |
| David Watrous | term expires December 31, 2011 |
| Ordon Hierlihy | term expires December 31, 2011 |
| Joe Wirtz | term expires December 31, 2011 |

E-911 Board

Burt Thompson
William Drollinger
Bill Chapman

term expires January 1, 2013
term expires January 1, 2011

Economic Development Corporation/Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Peter Garwood
Ron Furtaw
Larry Stine

term expires December 31, 2013
term expires December 31, 2015
term expires December 31, 2014

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Stan Moore
Don Schuiteman
Russ Blasdell

term expires January 1, 2013
term expires January 1, 2013
term expires January 1, 2013

Planning Commission

Jill Barnard
Rick Teague

term expires December 31, 2012
term expires December 31, 2012

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

It was moved by Crawford, seconded by Blackmore the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss union and unrepresented 2010 wage negotiations. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The Board retired to Closed Session at 9:55 a.m. and reopened at 10:28 a.m.

It was moved by Howelman, seconded by Bargy that for the General Union group, the Probate Court Union group, and all Unrepresented groups, the offer of 2.5% wage increase be withdrawn and all groups return to negotiations. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Bargy, White, Howelman, Blackmore; No – Drenth, Dawson, Crawford; Absent – Stanek, Allen.

There was discussion on the cost of Commissioner Crawford's attendance at the National Association of Counties conference in Washington D.C. It was later discovered the cost would be covered by the Michigan Association of Counties.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Drenth the December budget adjustments (see pp) be approved. Motion carried by a yea and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Stanek, Allen.

Commissioner Crawford announced there would be a Workers' Compensation

dividend to the county of \$60,524.00.

It was moved by Dawson, seconded by Howelman the invoice for \$3,678.70 from Elk Rapids Hydro Power for the Hydro relicensing effort be approved and paid. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Stanek, Allen.

RESOLUTION #43-09 by Gene Dawson, seconded by Dave Howelman

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack White, Chairman, be authorized and directed to execute the Amendment to Contract No. 2009-0731 (land acquisition costs of parcels E45, E46, E47, E48, E49, and E50 at the Antrim County Airport) for and on behalf of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners.

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

RESOLUTION #43-09 DECLARED ADOPTED.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that permission be given to the Antrim Conservation District to do the fish habitat work at the Cedar River Natural Area at no additional cost to the County and the Chairman be authorized to sign the grant contract for the work. Motion carried by a ye and nay vote as follows: Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman Crawford, Blackmore; No – None; Absent – Stanek, Allen.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Dawson that, in regard to a private landowner's building slightly encroaching on county-owned property in Section 17 of Custer Township, the Chairman is authorized to sign a Letter of Understanding with the property owner giving him a "no interference" use of the building until such time as the building disintegrates or is replaced (replacement not to be on county land). Motion carried all members present voting yes.

It was moved by Blackmore, seconded by Bargy the Barnes Park computer be stored in the Coordinator/Planner's office for the winter. Motion carried all members present voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m. to the Call of the Chair.

Jack White, Chairman

Laura Sexton, County Clerk

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