

March 23, 2016

The Roscommon County Board of Commissioner's met on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 for a Regular Meeting. Chairman Robert E. Schneider called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America was recited.

Present: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Melvin

Excused: Stefanko

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo, to approve the Board Agenda with addition of item b. 2015 Year in Review, under Unfinished Business. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: None

Administrator/Controller's Report: The Administrator/ Controller attended the Kirtland Warbler Festival Planning Meeting. The Delinquent Tax amount is \$3,478,353.48. The 2016 update has been postponed to next meeting to allow for Commissioner Stefanko to be present. Jodi met with Judge Noble and Attorney Grant regarding the Palmerton case. A bulk paper delivery is scheduled for late April; total cost savings of \$4,500.00. Reminder of special meeting for the 2nd Chance Academy Advisory Board today at 11:30am.

Correspondence:

- a. Targeting of Younger School Children

Monthly Department Reports: Veterans Affairs

Visitors: None

Unfinished Business/New Business:

- a. Attorney Haider A. Kazim Re: Munson v Roscommon County
- b. 2015 Fiscal Year in Review

Moved by Russo, Seconded by Melvin, to enter into Closed Session at: 10:21 a.m. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo, to return to Open Session at: 10:52 a.m. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo, to add motion #2 regarding Munson Medical v. Roscommon County. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motions and Resolutions:

1. Moved by Schneider, Seconded by Milburn, to adopt "Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 703" which amends Public Act 269 of 1976.

Resolution in Support of SB 703

WHEREAS, SB 703 would amend 976 PA 388, entitled "Michigan Campaign Finance Act" by amending section 57 (MCL 169.257), as amended by 2015 PA 269; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would remove the unreasonable restriction that was included in 2015 PA 269, that being the inability to discuss ballot questions during the period of 60 days before the election in which the ballot question will appear; and

WHEREAS, SB 571 as it was presented to Governor Snyder, which included that a public body shall not discuss local ballot issues during the period 60 days prior to the election in which the issue appears on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, in signing the bill, Governor Snyder called for a "trailer" measure to clarify what is proper and improper communications; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Roscommon County Board of Commissioners support SB 703 to remove this restriction on how County Officials communicate with their constituents about local ballot questions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Michigan Counties, Representative Bruce Rendon, Senator Darwin Booher, Governor Snyder, and the Michigan Association of Counties. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Melvin. Nays: None. Resolution Adopted.

2. Moved by Melvin, Seconded by Russo, to authorize attorney counsel to proceed as discussed in closed session in the matter of Munson Medical v. Roscommon County. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

Russo: HLIB, Housing

Melvin: LEPC, Agenda

Stefanko: Excused

Milburn: Commission on Aging, NMAA

Schneider: Agenda

Public Comment: Clerk/ROD Michelle M. Stevenson updated the Board on the software conversion, and the additional services now available.

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo, to adjourn meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Robert E. Schneider, Chairman

Michelle M. Stevenson, County Clerk/Reg. Of Deeds