



Newaygo County Board of Commissioners

MINUTES

June 9, 2021

9:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER, PRAYER, & PLEDGE	Meeting called to order by Chairperson Bryan Kolk, at 9:30 a.m., with Prayer by Newaygo County Clerk, Jason VanderStelt, and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Commissioner James Maike.
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT	Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruihoff, Brenda Bird, James Maike, Bryan Kolk
AGENDA - MOTION NUMBER	21-216
	Motion by Charles Trapp, second by Mike Kruihoff, to approve the agenda for June 9, 2021. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruihoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Pete Kardos
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the resolution regarding vaccine passports.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Rob Lammers Owner/Operator Little Switzerland Resort
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed the gypsy moth issues and the destruction they are causing.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Christine Cotton
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the resolution regarding vaccine passports.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Whitney Shornagle
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the resolution regarding vaccine passports.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Rebecca Thompson
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the resolution regarding vaccine passports.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Christine Parks Ph.D
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the resolution regarding vaccine passports.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Theresa Em
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the resolution regarding vaccine passports.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Robert Smythe
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the resolution regarding vaccine passports.
CONSENT AGENDA MOTION NO.	21-218
	Motion by Brenda Bird, second by Mike Kruihoff, to approve the Consent Agenda dated June 9, 2021 including: the regular meeting minutes dated May, 26 2021; the Semi-Monthly Detail Analysis and Expenses dated June 2, 2021. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruihoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.
RETIREMENT PRESENTATION	Vetina (Tina) Herman, Treasure Account Clerk III

Motion by James Maike, second by Brenda Bird, to approve Resolution #06-009-21 recognizing Vetina (Tina) Herman's retirement. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruihoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bryan Kolk presented Ms. Vetina (Tina) Herman with the Retirement Resolution.

INTERVIEWS

Veterans' Affairs Committee –
One (1) four-year term expiring June 30, 2025

- The Board interviewed John Grimes to serve on the committee: Mr. Grimes spoke of his qualifications and military experience as applicable.
- The Board will decide on the appointment at the June 23, 2021, Board of Commissioners' meeting.

PRESENTATION

James Kelly, MSUE District Director

- Mr. Kelly spoke regarding the Gypsy Moths; the reason for such high amounts of Gypsy Moths, their lifecycle, and ways to combat these pests were discussed. There are no plans to spray for these moths.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT Finance Committee

CHAIR Commissioner Ken DeLaat

Reported the following actions (see below):

MOTION NUMBER 21-207

Motion by Ken DeLaat, second by Charles Trapp, to approve the 2021 Tax Rate Request (L-4029) for the County of Newaygo. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruihoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER 21-208

Motion by Ken DeLaat, second by James Maike, to adopt Resolution #06-008-21 authorizing Newaygo County to levy and collect County allocated property taxes. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruihoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MOTION NUMBER 21-209

Motion by Ken DeLaat, second by Burt Cooper, to renew Newaygo County's Annual Membership Dues in the amount of \$460.00 to the Michigan Townships Association (MTA) for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, to be paid from account number 101-101-957 (General Fund-Board of Commissioners-Subscription & Dues). Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruihoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MISC. COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner James Maike

- Attended the Parks Board Meeting yesterday and the Parks are doing great.
- Attended the Forestry meeting last week regarding opening roads for ATV's.

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Commissioner Brenda Bird

- Recently attended the Ensley Township Board meeting and they are doing well.

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Commissioner Charles Trapp

- The Hazardous Waste Clean-Up Day went very well with a total cost near \$36,000. The grant for tires was approved and that will be scheduled in the near future.

MISC. COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Bryan Kolk

- Attended a workshop yesterday thru MSU regarding electric vehicles and charging stations.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Christopher Wren, County Administrator

The following updates were reported by the Administrator:

- Attended the Pitch North event thru The Right Place. There were 5 finalists with 4 being from Newaygo County. Excited by the growth in Newaygo County and encourages attendance to this event.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Christina Parks, Ph.D

- Spoke regarding the vaccine and doesn't want young people pressured into getting this to live their life.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rob Lammers Owner/Operator Little Switzerland Resort

- The Gypsy Moth issue is more than cosmetic, it is also a financial issue with the park.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nick Smith, Parks Director

- Thank you to Tina Herman for all she has done for the County.
- This weekend is free ORV and fishing weekend.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Theresa Em

- Handed out invitation to event where Christina Parks Ph.D will be speaking regarding the COVID vaccine.

MISC MOTION NUMBER

21-202-1

Motion by Brenda Bird, second by Mike Kruithoff, to approve Resolution #06-007-21 opposing vaccine passports within the boundaries of Newaygo County as amended to correctly reflect the name "Bill Huizenga". Roll Call Vote – Mike Kruithoff, Aye - Burt Cooper, Present – James Maike, Aye – Ken DeLaat, Nay – Charles Trapp, Aye – Brenda Bird, Aye – Bryan Kolk – Nay. Motion carried.

During Board discussion: Motion by James Maike, second by Charles Trapp to end Board discussion and bring motion # 21-202-1 to a vote. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MISC MOTION NUMBER

21-219

Motion by Charles Trapp, second by Mike Kruithoff, to approve the County of Newaygo COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan as revised on June 9, 2021. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.

MISC MOTION NUMBER

21-220

Motion by James Maike, second by Charles Trapp, to start the process working with Lincoln Township and Newaygo County Road Commission on blacktopping N. Mundy Avenue from Diamond Lake to just past the Newaygo County Campground; cost to be split three ways and work to be done this summer.

Motion by James Maike, second by Charles Trapp, to amend motion #21-220 to remove "cost to be split three ways and work to be done this summer". Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION MOTION NO.	21-221
Motion by Mike Kruithoff, second by Burt Cooper, to go into closed session at 11:10 to discuss Teamster Union Negotiations. <u>Roll Call Vote</u> : Ken DeLaat – aye, James Maike – aye, Burt Cooper – aye, Charles Trapp – aye, Mike Kruithoff - aye, Brenda Bird – aye, Bryan Kolk – aye. Motion carried.	
OPEN SESSION MOTION NO.	21-222
Motion by Ken DeLaat, second by Brenda Bird, to return to open session at 11:15 a.m. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Charles Trapp, Brenda Bird, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.	
MOTION – ADJOURNMENT	21-223
Motion by Brenda Bird, second by Mike Kruithoff, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m. Ayes – Burt Cooper, Ken DeLaat, Brenda Bird, Charles Trapp, Mike Kruithoff, James Maike, Bryan Kolk. Nays – none. Motion carried.	
COUNTY CLERK CERTIFICATION	
CHAIRPERSON CERTIFICATION	
DATE CERTIFIED	June 23, 2021