

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte on Tuesday, September 8, 2009.

Chairman Brehler called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given by all.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Clarke.

Roll call: Commissioners present; Mike Hosey, Blake Mulder, Theresa Abed, Jeanne Pearl-Wright, Leo Farhat, Glenn Freeman, John Forell, Linda Keefe, Art Luna, Daryl Baker, Dale Barr, Denise Clarke, Roger Harris, Joseph Brehler. Commissioners absent; Carol Strachan.

Chairman Brehler asked for changes or corrections to the agenda.

Commissioner Freeman moved the agenda be approved as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Farhat. Carried.

Commissioner Keefe, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee read the Annual Budget Report to the Board. She noted the total proposed 2009/2010 Budget for Eaton County is \$32,247,342, highlighted specific areas of both revenues and expenses and thanked everyone who was involved with creating the budget. (Copy on file)

There was no Unfinished Business or New Business.

Chairman Brehler opened the Public Hearing for Truth in Budgeting at 7:15 PM.

Chairman Brehler read the following communications;

1/ Letter from Thomas Raymond requesting the Board restore partial funding for the Historical Commission.

2/ Letter from JoAnn Nehmer requesting the Board reconsider the proposal to cut funding to the Historical Commission.

3/ Letter from Charamy Cleary, Eaton Township Clerk urging the Board to reconsider their decision to cut funding for the County Code Enforcement Officer.

Public Comment;

The following persons spoke against the proposed reduction of the Naturalist Position from the Parks and Recreation Department.

- John Glaspie, 2267 Hartel Rd., Charlotte
- Richard Sheren, 614 E. Jefferson, Grand Ledge
- Katherine Strassburg, 817 N. Clinton #427, Grand Ledge

- Jacklyn Blanc, 107 Elizabeth Way, Potterville

Randall Tooker, 3607 Doane Hwy., Grand Ledge spoke regarding the reduction in funding to the County Historical Commission. Mr. Tooker distributed a list of recent Historical Commission Grants that have been provided throughout the county by the Historical Commission.

Michael Atayan, Drain Commissioner thanked the Board for their help and assistance in compiling his new budget.

Christie Dutcher, Member of the Board of Directors of the Courthouse Square Association requested the Board reinstate their funding.

Chairman Brehler Closed the Public hearing at 7:45 PM and announced the Ways and Means Committee will meet Friday, September 11, 2009 at 8:30 AM.

Chairman Brehler recessed the meeting till Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.

Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Clerk of the Board of Commissioners