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LYNN D. ALLEN  
Clerk

SESSIONS OF THE OAKLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Annual sessions of the Board of Supervisors are held on the Tuesday following the second Monday of April, on the fourth Monday of June and on the third Monday of September. A regular session may be held in January of each year by the adjournment of the September Session to a date certain in January.

RULE XXXII - In addition to the statutory meetings of this Board:

(a) There shall be a regular meeting of this Board at ten o'clock A. M. on the Friday preceding the second Monday in May at which time the Board of Supervisors shall submit a "Tentative Budget for Allocation Purposes" and refer same to a joint meeting of the Salaries, Appropriations and Ways and Means Committees, which Committees shall meet preceding the meeting of the Board of Supervisors provided for in Section (b) below.

(b) There shall be a regular meeting of this Board at ten o'clock A. M. on the Friday preceding the first Monday in June at which time the Board of Supervisors shall approve a "Final Budget for Allocation Purposes", which budget shall be submitted by the joint Committees mentioned in Section (a) above. The Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee shall act as Chairman of the Joint Committees; however, if a majority of the personnel of any of the three committees does not concur with the joint committee report, the Chairman of that Committee shall present to the Board of Supervisors a minority "Joint Committee Report" pointing out the reasons for nonconcurrence and the Board of Supervisors shall thereafter dispose of the matter according to its judgment.

Special sessions of the Board may be called by a request of at least one-third of all Supervisors, which request must be filed with the County Clerk at least fifteen days before the meeting.

WILLIAM C. HUDSON, Chairman  
FRANK D. CLARK, Chairman Pro Tem  
LYNN D. ALLEN, Clerk

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COMMITTEES FOR 1949-1950

(First named shall be Chairman)

- AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION.....Duncan, Hillman, Dean, Horkey, Kerr
- APPROPRIATIONS.....Axford, Waterhouse, Calhoun, Grix, Irwin, Schalm, Hillman
- AUDITOR GENERAL.....Ladd, Croteau, Wm. Smith
- BOUNDARIES OF CITIES AND VILLAGES...Clawson, Eckman, Goodspeed
- BY-LAWS.....Axford, Holmes, Calhoun
- COUNTY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.....Horton, Lilly, Bangham, Johnston, Stevenson, Richardson, Liddle
- COUNTY ROADS.....Braid, Graham, Main Oldenburg, Frame
- COUNTY DRAINS.....Blanchard, Gardner, Ferris Clark, Waterhouse, Bangham, Capstraw, Leavy
- EQUALIZATION.....Vaughan, Andrews, Waters, Haack, Ransom, Schweigert, Zapf
- FLOWER.....Moberly, Mrs. Schock, MacDonald
- JUVENILE AFFAIRS.....Mrs. Roberts, Frame, Allen, Capstraw, Niparko, McCaskill, Bromley
- LEGISLATIVE.....Ewart, Macgregor, Schalm
- MARKETS.....R. Y. Moore, Westfall, Mrs. Schock, Ryan, Rhinevault
- MISCELLANEOUS.....Dean, Moberly, Eckman, McClellan, Lamb, Niparko, Braid
- PER DIEM AND MILEAGE.....Ferris Clark, Grix, Cardon
- SALARIES.....Reid, Brendel, Eaton, Clawson, Ewart, Hamlin, Ladd
- SHERIFF.....Horkey, Richardson, Ming, Nern, Elbert
- TOWNSHIP EXPENSE.....Goodspeed, McCary, Rhinevault, Braid, Thatcher
- T. B. SANATORIUM.....Seery, Brendel, Holmes, Blanchard, Kephart
- VETERANS.....Varion, Kerr, Lilly, Thatcher, Ramsey
- WAYS AND MEANS.....Frank Clark, Gibbs, Levinson, Shimmons, Cummings, Taylor, Fred Smith
- WELFARE.....Graham, Lamb, Varion, Stevenson, Duncan, Gardner, Mrs. Lewis

SPECIAL COMMITTEES FOR 1949-1950

- ANIMAL WELFARE.....Braid, Bromley, Frank Clark
- COUNTY CLERK'S COMMITTEE.....Leavy, Seery, Horton
- COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.....Vaughan, Bangham, Ewart, Earl Clark, Harry Merritt
- COUNTY ZONING COORDINATING.....Vaughan, Bangham, Ewart
- NOMINATING COMMITTEE.....Clawson, Seery, Taylor
- PROPOSED CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.....Taylor, Waters, Seery, Haack, Zapf
- COST STUDY COMMITTEE.....Waterhouse, Blanchard, Levinson, Axford, Eckman, Gardner, Horton
- COUNTY HEALTH COMMITTEE.....Clawson, Seery, Taylor

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# OAKLAND COUNTY

## Board Of Supervisors

### MEETING

June 27, 1949

Meeting called to order by Chairman William C. Hudson.

ROLL CALLED: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstraw, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Cummings, Duncan, Frame, Gibbs, Graham, Hillman, Horkey, Hudson, Johnston, Kephart, Lamb, Levinson, Liddle, Lilly, MacDonald, Moberly, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Reid, Richardson, Ryan, Schalm, Schock, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Varion, Vaughan, Waters, Zapf. (47)

QUORUM PRESENT

Moved by Cummings supported by Fred Smith the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as printed.

CARRIED

Moved by Lamb supported by Stevenson the Journal for the April Session be approved.

CARRIED

Moved by Cummings supported by Richardson that the April Session stand adjourned sine die.

CARRIED

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CLERK

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CHAIRMAN

#### REGULAR JUNE SESSION

June 27, 1949

Meeting called to order by Chairman William C. Hudson.

ROLL CALLED: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstraw, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Clawson, Groteau, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Eckman, Ewart, Frame, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Haack, Hall, Hamlin, Hillman, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Irwin, Johnston, Kephart, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Lewis, Liddle, Lilly, MacDonald, Macgregor, Main, McCary, McCaskill, Ming, Moberly, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ramsey, Ransom, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Roberts, Ryan, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, William Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Varion, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Waters, Westfall, Zapf. (75)

QUORUM PRESENT

Clark reads letter from Victor V. Van Cantfort, Cleveland, Ohio, relative to sale of Court House Property.

Moved by Gibbs supported by Clawson the letter be referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

CARRIED

Clerk reads letter from James D. Friel, General Manager, Michigan State Fair requesting representation of Oakland County in the 1949 Michigan Centennial State Fair.

Moved by Waterhouse supported by Axford the letter be received and placed on file.

CARRIED

Clerk reads communication from George F. Simmons, Executive Director of the National Association of County Officials, announcing the 1949 Annual Conference to be held in Oakland, California July 18, 19 and 20th.

Moved by Axford supported by Reid the communication be received and placed on file.

CARRIED

Clerk reads copy of a motion made by the Ingham County Board of Supervisors requesting appointment of a Utility Committee by this Board, to oppose high increases in rates being charged by various Utility Companies.

Moved by Cummings supported by Braid the communication be received and placed on file.

CARRIED

Clerk reads letter from Oakland County Tax Allocation Board of final millage rate set for Oakland County - 5.44 mills (including .2 mill voted by the Board of Supervisors for road purposes) based on an estimated equalized valuation of \$575,000,000.

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Moved by Braid supported by Richardson the letter, be received and placed on file.

CARRIED

Misc. 2484.

By Mr. Axford:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Your Appropriations Committee met on June 23, 1949 at 11:00 A. M. to consider the request from Judge Moore for the appropriation of \$800.00 for the Boy's Camp, which request was referred to this Committee by the Chairman of this Board at the last meeting.

The Appropriations Committee declined to approve the request;

WHEREFORE MR. CHAIRMAN, I move that this Board concur in the report of the Appropriations Committee and that the request be denied.

Morgan Axford, Chairman

Axford

<u>J. B. Calhoun,</u>	<u>Howard Hillman</u>
Calhoun	Hillman
<u>Irwin</u>	<u>E. H. Waterhouse</u>
<u>Paul A. Schalm,</u>	<u>E. H. Waterhouse</u>
Grix	Schalm
	Waterhouse

Moved by Axford supported by Hillman the resolution be adopted.

Mr. Axford explains action of Appropriations Committee.

Voting on resolution:

AYES: Axford, Blanchard, Braid, Bromley, Calhoun, Cardon, Frank Clark, Duncan, Graham, Hamlin, Hillman, Hudson, Irwin, Kephart, Kerr, Levinson, Main, Ming, Nern, Oldenburg, Ransom, Richardson, Ryan, Schalm, Schock, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Taylor, Waterhouse, Zapf. (31)

NAYS: Allen, Andrews, Bangham, Brendel, Capstraw, Ferris Clark, Clawson, Croteau, Cummings, Dean, Eckman, Ewart, Frame, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Haack, Hall, Horkey, Horton, Johnston, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Lewis, Liddle, Lilly, MacDonald, McGary, McCaskill, Moberly, Niparko, Ramsey, Reid, Schweigert, Seery, Stevenson, Thatcher, Varion, Vaughan, Waters, Westfall. (41)

LOST

Moved by Reid supported by Andrews that the Board reconsider action on report of Appropriations Committee.

CARRIED

Moved by Allen supported by McCaskill that \$800.00 for Juvenile Camp be appropriated from the general fund.

AYES: Allen, Andrews, Bangham, Capstraw, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Clawson, Croteau, Cummings, Eckman, Ewart, Frame, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Haack, Hall, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Johnston, Kephart, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Lewis, Liddle, Lilly, McGary, McCaskill, Ming, Moberly, Niparko, Ramsey, Ransom, Ryan, Schock, Schweigert, Fred Smith, Stevenson, Thatcher, Varion, Vaughan, Waters, Westfall. (46)

NAYS: Axford, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Cardon, Dean, Duncan, Hamlin, Hillman, Irwin, Levinson, MacDonald, Main, Nern, Oldenburg, Reid, Richardson, Schalm, Seery, Shimmons, Wm. Smith, Taylor, Waterhouse, Zapf. (26)

CARRIED

Misc. 2485.

By Mr. Axford:

Your Appropriations Committee met on June 23, 1949 to consider the matter of the appropriation of \$10,000.00 for the construction of toilet facilities on the 4-H Club property, which matter was referred to this Committee at the last meeting of this Board.

Your Committee recommends that \$7500.00 be appropriated for the purpose of building the toilets mentioned, and that the Auditors and the Agricultural Extension Committee supervise the construction.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I move this Board concur in the recommendation of the Committee that the \$7500.00 be taken from the Dog Fund and expended for the purpose mentioned in this resolution.

That the Board of Auditors advertise for bids and let the contract for construction to the lowest responsible bidder and that they proceed in all haste to have the construction completed in time for the 4-H Club activities.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I move the adoption of this resolution.

Morgan Axford, Chairman

Axford

<u>J. B. Calhoun</u>	<u>Howard Hillman</u>
Calhoun	Hillman
<u>Irwin</u>	<u>E. H. Waterhouse</u>
<u>Paul A. Schalm,</u>	<u>E. H. Waterhouse</u>
Grix	Schalm
	Waterhouse

Moved by Axford supported by Allen the resolution be adopted.

AYES: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstraw, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Clawson, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Eckman, Ewart, Gibbs, Graham, Haack, Hall, Hamlin, Hillman, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Irwin, Johnston, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Lewis, Liddle, Lilly, MacDonald, McGary, Ming, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ramsey, Ransom, Reid, Richardson, Ryan, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Varion, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Waters, Westfall. (63)

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NAYS: Croteau, Frame, Goodspeed, Kephart, Levinson, Main, McCaskill, Moberly, Zapf. (9)

CARRIED

Misc. 2486.

By Mr. Axford:

Your Appropriations Committee met on June 23, 1949 to consider the matter of the appropriation of \$1000.00 from the Dog Fund for prize money at the 4-H Club Fair.

Your Committee declined to approve this appropriation.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I move this Board concur in the action of the Committee and the request for the appropriation be denied.

Morgan Axford, Chairman  
Axford

<u>J. B. Galhoun</u>	<u>Howard Hillman</u>
Galhoun	Hillman
<u>Irwin</u>	<u>E. H. Waterhouse</u>
<u>Paul A. Schalm</u>	Waterhouse
Grix	Schalm

Moved by Axford supported by Waterhouse the resolution be adopted.

CARRIED

Mr. Duncan requests that Mr. E. W. Alchin, County Agricultural Agent, be allowed to address the Board.

Discussion follows.

Moved by Bangham supported by Stevenson the resolution be reconsidered.

CARRIED

Moved by Andrews supported by Frame that Mr. Alchin speak to the Board regarding appropriation for 4-H Club.

CARRIED

Mr. Alchin addresses Board.

Discussion follows.

Moved by Axford supported by Lamb that the Board of Auditors be instructed to correct the record of the Appropriations Report so that it will show \$800.00 for prize money for 1949.

CARRIED

Moved by Hillman supported by McCaskill that \$200.00 be taken from the Dog Fund, to make a total of \$1000.00, for prize money for the 4-H Club.

AYES: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Galhoun, Capstrow, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Clawson, Croteau, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Frame, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Haack, Hall, Hillman, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Irwin, Johnston, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Lewis, Liddle, Lilly, Macgregor, Main, McCary, McCaskill, Ming, Moberly, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ramsey, Ransom, Rhinevault, Richardson, Roberts, Ryan, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Varion, Vaughan, Waters, Westfall. (66)

NAYS: Frank Clark, Eckman, Ewart, Hamlin, Kephart, MacDonald, Reid, Waterhouse, Zapf. (9)

CARRIED

Moved by Duncan supported by Kerr the original motion be postponed indefinitely.

CARRIED

Misc. 2487.

By Mr. Hillmans

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, the County of Oakland is the owner of property in the Township of Springfield which was deeded to the County by Manley Davis, pursuant to deed recorded in Liber 749 of Deeds, page 182, which property has been known as the County Park since 1926, the date of the deed, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of said Deed the County was required to operate a park and/or golf course, said terms 'park' and 'golf course' being defined in the Deed to be synonymous, and

WHEREAS, the management of said Park has for many years been vested in the Road Commission and has been, in the opinion of many members of this Board, an unwarranted expense due to the fact that little use is made of the park, and

WHEREAS, the park is in a rather run-down condition, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Springfield has by resolution, a copy of which is attached to this resolution, requested the County to convey the park to the Township so that the Township may keep the same up so that it might be of use to the people in the immediate territory at least,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the request of the Township Board of Springfield Township be granted; that the Chairman and Clerk of this Board be authorized to Quit-Claim the property described in the Deed above referred to, to the Township of Springfield.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I move the adoption of this resolution.

Howard Hillman

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Moved by Hillman supported by Axford the resolution be adopted.

Moved by Frame supported by Cummings the resolution be referred to the Building and Grounds Committee.

CARRIED

Moved by Braid supported by Shimmons that Mr. S. J. Filkins be asked to explain the Covert Road Debt.

CARRIED

Mr. Filkins addresses Board.

Misc. 2488.

By Mr. Frank Clark:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, on October 16, 1935 and on November 8, 1935, the Board of Supervisors of Oakland County approved plans for the refunding of the principal of all outstanding and unpaid Covert Road bonds and for the adjustment of the unspread assessments pertaining thereto, which said bonds were issued and which said assessments were made by and under the jurisdiction of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Oakland County and of the State Highway Commissioner of the State of Michigan, respectively, and

WHEREAS, on certain other dates subsequent to October 16, 1935 and November 8, 1935, plans were approved by the Board of Supervisors of Oakland County for the refunding of certain of these bonds a second time, both as to bonds issued by the Board of County Road Commissioners of Oakland County and of the State Highway Commissioner of the State of Michigan and

WHEREAS, under each of the refunding plans so approved there was provided an annual tax spread in each of the years from the date of such refunding plan to and including 1957 for principal and/or interest on unspread Covert Road assessments existing at the time of approval of said refunding plans, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Act 150, P. A. 1927, as amended, (commonly known as the Gas Tax Act) and Act 302, P. A. 1915, as amended, (commonly known as the Weight Tax Act), certain moneys are returned to the County of Oakland for the reduction of Covert taxes and assessments spread under authority of Act 59, P. A. 1915, as amended, and/or in accordance with said refunding plans heretofore approved, and

WHEREAS, provision is made in each of the above numbered Acts, No. 150, P. A. 1927 and No. 302, P. A. 1915, both as amended, for the application of such money to a reduction pro rata of the amounts of the assessment installments becoming due in accordance with Act 59, P. A. 1915, as amended, upon property within said assessment districts, upon townships assessed as such, upon cities assessed as such and upon the county assessed as such, in proportion to the amount of assessments and taxes as originally spread, said allocation to be determined by the Board of Supervisors; provided, however, that the Board of Supervisors may increase or diminish the amount allocated to any district, city or township, or to the county at large, if it so determines such change to be necessary, said determination to increase or diminish said amount to become effective only upon approval by the state administrative board after due notice by the Board of Supervisors to the County Road Commission and to the governing body of any township or city where the allotment prescribed herein is changed by such determination, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with certain resolutions heretofore passed by this Board and approved by the State Administrative Board, it was determined that the money available for the reduction of Covert Road taxes spread in the years 1935 to 1949, both inclusive, should be used (1) to the reduction of Covert Road assessment installments to be spread against the property in the several assessment districts, (2) to the reduction of Covert Road assessment installments to be spread against the several townships and cities at large and (3) to the reduction of Covert Road assessment installments to be spread against the county at large, and

WHEREAS, the liens remaining against the county at large, against the several townships and cities at large and against the several parcels or property in the various assessment districts, have now been reduced to a point where it appears that there will be sufficient of the so-called Gasoline and Weight Tax money in the years of 1949 and 1950 to satisfy in full all of the foregoing liens.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all moneys returned to Oakland County in the years 1949 and 1950 for the reduction of Covert Road taxes or assessments under Act No. 150, P. A. 1927, as amended, and Act. No. 302, P. A. 1915, as amended, remaining after the payment of the 1949 installment (allocation for which has previously been approved), be used for the reduction of Covert Road liens in the following order of priority:

- (1) For the reduction of liens remaining against the various parcels of property in the several assessment districts.
- (2) For the reduction of liens remaining against the several townships and cities at large.
- (3) For the reduction of liens remaining against Oakland County at large.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ways and Means Committee of this Board be, and it is hereby authorized to make application to the State Administrative Board for its approval of such allocation of the so-called Gasoline and Weight Tax moneys and to give due notice in behalf of this Board of Supervisors of the hearing thereon.

MR. CHAIRMAN, on behalf of the entire Committee, I move the adoption of the resolution.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Frank D. Clark, Chairman

Oliver P. Gibbs, R. C. Cummings, Fred W. Smith

Frank Shimmons, David Levinson, Hugh Taylor

Moved by Frank Clark supported by Cummings the resolution be adopted.

AYES: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstraw, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Clawson, Croteau, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Eckman, Ewart, Frame, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Haack, Hall, Hamlin, Hillman, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Irwin, Johnston, Kephart, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Lewis, Liddle, Lilly, MacDonald, Macgregor, Main, McCary, McCaskill, Ming, Moberly, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ramsey, Ransom, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Roberts, Ryan, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Varion, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Waters, Westfall, Zapf. (75)

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NAYS: None (0)

CARRIED

Mr. Cardon requests the Board be advised if the Sheriff's Committee is ready to report.

Mr. Horkey states their report is not ready at this time.

Misc. 2489.

By Mr. Lilly:

WHEREAS tragedy has struck the home of George Bearden through his untimely death by drowning and WHEREAS George Bearden was a Deputy-Detective in the employ of the County of Oakland for the past eight years

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in recognition of his years of faithful service to this County and in order to express the sympathy and regret of this honorable Board to the family of George Bearden that the following memorial be inscribed on the records of the proceedings of this Board and a certified copy thereof be sent to the wife and family of George Bearden:

George Bearden, born June 29, 1912 at Morgan County, Georgia, entered the employ of the County of Oakland as a Deputy in 1941 under former Sheriff Spencer Howarth. On January 1, 1945, in recognition of his worth, he was promoted by former Sheriff Edward K. Thomas to the position of Deputy-Detective, which position he held with honor and efficiency until the time of his tragic death on June 1, 1949.

George Bearden died June 1, 1949, survived by his wife Mary L. and his four children. His passing leaves a spot in the hearts of his friends, his fellow workers and associates which will long be unfilled.

To his bereaved wife and family we extend our most sincere condolences.

Robert Lilly

E. H. Waterhouse, George A. Schweigert

Moved by Lilly supported by Stevenson the resolution be adopted.

CARRIED

Misc. 2490.

By Mr. Lamb:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The occasion which prompts the Chairman of this Board to appoint a Committee to prepare a memorial to some person we have known but shall know no more, is always to be regretted, but truly, death is no respecter of persons and when these duties fall it is with a feeling of humility that we approach the task.

The long record of faithful public service accumulated by Luther Allen prompts a more humble approach than usual.

If expressions may epitomize personalities, then of Luther Allen we may well say, "still waters run deep". He was a quiet, humble, self-effacing man. He was kindly but firm. He was public spirited and an honored and respected citizen. Those who knew him well, loved him. By his daily contact with his fellow men he builded in their hearts a shrine which will live as long as they live.

LET IT BE KNOWN:

That Luther Allen was born December 16, 1867 in Bloomfield Township;

That he married Anna Buttolph of Troy Township, November 26, 1890. Death separated them in 1944;

That he helped organize the Village (now City) of Bloomfield Hills in 1926, was the first President and in the eighteen years of the Village's life, never missed a Council meeting;

That his faith in good roads stemmed first from his being Highway Commissioner in Bloomfield Township in 1894 and climaxed in his service to Oakland County where he served as Road Commissioner from January 1, 1925 until his death on Tuesday afternoon May 24, 1949;

That he was Chairman of the Road Commission for nine years, 1928-29, 33-35, 36-41, 42-47 and 1948.

Luther Allen has joined that innumerable caravan from which no traveler returns. Some day we too shall follow in his footsteps. Our journey shall be lighter for his having gone before for he will be humbly serving others wherever he is. Service was his motto and loyalty his creed.

Mr. Chairman, we have all lost a friend but we are consoled by the fact that our lives have been richer by having been brushed by his. On behalf of the Committee, I move that the foregoing observations be memorialized by placing them in the journal of this Board and a copy forwarded to his family.

Arthur Lamb

Morgan Axford, Howard J. Reid, Paul Schalm

Moved by Lamb supported by Schweigert the resolution be adopted.

CARRIED

Mr. Waterhouse states that the Special Cost Study Committee will meet Wednesday, July 13, 1949 at 10:00 A. M. on the fifth floor of the County Office Building.

Misc. 2491.

By Mr. Waterhouse:

WHEREAS, the Detroit-Metropolitan Aviation Authority did, on February 1, 1949 approve, by resolution, the report on 'Airports for the Detroit Region' and did urge, under the terms of said resolution, that plans and negotiations for construction and development of the proposed International Airport in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, proceed forthwith and further, excepting from approval any phase of the report which might be understood to interfere with and curtail the development of the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport as planned; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Detroit did, on February 2, 1949, pass a resolution endorsing the need for and approving the proposed International Airport and did also endorse and approve the construction and improvement of the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport as planned to assure Federal aid and provide a major airport for immediate use; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Detroit did, on April 5, 1949, approve the report on 'Airports for the Detroit Region' excepting from approval the proposed Belle Isle Landing Strip and making said approval contingent



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on the stated principles on the proposed International Airport and the completion of the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport as contained in the previous resolution of February 2, 1949; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland County Board of Supervisors does hereby endorse the opinion of the Detroit Metropolitan Aviation Authority and the Common Council of the City of Detroit that the negotiations and plans for the development and construction of the proposed International Airport should proceed forthwith and that it is of paramount importance that the construction and improvement of the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport shall in no way be curtailed or delayed but shall be, as expeditiously as possible, completed as planned to assure Federal aid and provide for immediate use a major all purpose airport for this region;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Oakland does hereby approve the following five points of the report on 'Airports in the Detroit Region' with the provisos as set forth in this resolution:

1. A Major Airport - the International Airport shall be constructed on a site near Windsor, Ontario, as a major passenger terminal.
2. The Detroit-Wayne Major Airport shall be improved to major airport status designed to function as an air-cargo airport and as a passenger terminal serving the entire region. (Without regional use restriction as suggested in the original report)
3. Willow Run Airport should continue to be operated as an aeronautical research and educational facility.
4. The Detroit City Airport shall be improved (though without major expansion) to provide greater service to commercial aviation, itinerate pilots and industrial users of company-owned aircraft.
5. The Pontiac Municipal Airport shall be expanded to provide northwesterly sections of the region with local or feeder type air passenger mail and cargo service.

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors concurs in and approves the determination of the Detroit-Metropolitan Aviation Authority and the Common Council of the City of Detroit that there is a need for the development of both the proposed International Airport and the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport and the City of Pontiac Airport to service the air transportation needs of this region thus requiring the immediate completion of the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport as planned and the Pontiac Municipal Airport and the immediate negotiation and planning of the proposed International Airport so that its actual construction may be realized; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Michigan Aeronautics Commission be, and it hereby is, requested to use its power and authority by taking such actions as will facilitate the immediate completion of the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport and the Pontiac Municipal Airport as planned and expedite the negotiations, planning and ultimate development of the proposed International Airport; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Detroit Metropolitan Aviation Authority, Macomb County, the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, the Honorable Arthur Reaume, Mayor of the City of Windsor, the Federal Civil Aeronautics Administration and the Common Council of the City of Detroit.

Moved by Waterhouse supported by Clawson the resolution be adopted.

CARRIED

Moved by Niparko supported by Varion that communications be sent to enforcement authorities of Wayne County and the Detroit Police Department offering assistance in the apprehension of the person who shot Victor Reuther.

CARRIED

Moved by Axford supported by Richardson the Board adjourn subject to the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

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CLERK

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CHAIRMAN

# OAKLAND COUNTY Board Of Supervisors MEETING

August 9, 1949

Meeting called to order by Chairman William C. Hudson.

ROLL CALLED: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstraw, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Clawson, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Eckman, Ewart, Frame, Gardner, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Grix, Haack, Hamlin, Hillman, Holmes, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Irwin, Johnston, Kephart, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Liddle, Lilly, Macgregor, Main, McCary, McCaskill, McClellan, Ming, Moberly, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ransom, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Waters, Westfall, Zapf. (71)

QUORUM PRESENT

Moved by Clawson supported by Moberly the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as printed.

CARRIED

Clerk reads appointment of Patrick W. Cosgrove, Supervisor of Hazel Park City, replacing John R. Hall. (Received and placed on file).

Clerk reads letter of thanks from the Detroit City Police Department for interest shown in the Victor Reuther case. (Received and placed on file).

Clerk reads letter from Michigan State Fair relative to Oakland County's participation in Centennial Jubilee. (Received and placed on file).

Clerk reads communication from Leo M. Bauer, Architect, requesting installation of two entranceways at the St. Vincent's and Sarah Fisher Home, Twelve Mile and Inkster Roads.

Moved by Frame supported by Lamb the request be referred to the Road Committee.

CARRIED

Clerk reads resolutions from Cities of Royal Oak and Oak Park requesting Oakland County to pay its proportionate share of funds to support the Detroit Metropolitan Area Regional Planning Commission.

Moved by Allen supported by Richardson the resolutions be referred to the County Planning and Zoning Committees.

CARRIED

Clerk reads letter from State Board of Equalization announcing their meeting to be held in Lansing August 15, 1949 at 10:00 A. M., together with copy of equalization figures for 1949 as submitted and recommended by the State Tax Commission.

Moved by Clawson supported by Braid the letter be referred to the Equalization Committee.

CARRIED

Clerk reads communication from George W. Vest, Regional Administrator, Chicago International Airport, relative to the "Airports for the Detroit Region" report. (Received and placed on file).

Mr. W. C. Hudson, Chairman of the Detroit Metropolitan Aviation Authority, explains letter.

Misc. 2492.

By Mr. Vaughan:

(Equalization Report appears on the following page)

Moved by Vaughan supported by Zapf the resolution be adopted.

Moved by Waterhouse supported by Macgregor this report be made a special order of business at 1:30 this afternoon.

AYES: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstraw, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Clawson, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Eckman, Ewart, Frame, Gardner, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Grix, Haack, Hamlin, Hillman, Holmes, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Irwin, Johnston, Kephart, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Liddle, Lilly, Macgregor, Main, McCary, McCaskill, McClellan, Ming, Moberly, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ransom, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Waters, Westfall, Zapf. (69)

NAYS: Cardon, Nern. (2)

CARRIED

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Misc. 2493.

By Mr. Horton:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Your Building and Grounds Committee, pursuant to reference from this Board, has had under consideration, the matter of appraisal of the Court House in connection with the letter previously received.

We are informed unofficially, but we believe somewhat reliably, that from the standpoint of business desirability, the Court House property is worth about \$350,000.00, not more than \$400,000.00.

The cost of an appraisal by some competent person would range between five and seven hundred dollars. Your Committee can see no use in procuring an appraisal unless we intend to sell and certainly we do not intend to sell unless we plan on building a new Court House.

We believe that the matter of construction of a new Court House should first be settled, then, and not until then, should an appraisal be procured because our estimate of \$350,000 to \$400,000.00 is near enough for present purposes.

Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of the Committee report.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Harry W. Horton, Chairman

Evert M. Bangham, Harry Stevenson, F. W. Liddle

Robert E. Lilly, Edwin J. Johnston, C. G. Richardson

Moved by Horton supported by Stevenson the resolution be adopted.

CARRIED

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Oakland County, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Equalization respectfully reports that it has carefully examined properties and compared assessment rolls of the several Townships and Cities within the said County, assessed for the year 1949, and have equalized the same by adding to and deducting from the valuation of the taxable property in the several Townships and Cities so assessed, such an amount as in its judgment will produce relatively an equal and uniform valuation of the taxable property in the County, according to the report as shown below, and herewith submit the same with the recommendation that it be adopted by this Board as the County Equalization for the year 1949.

REF. NO.	ASSESSING DISTRICT	1949 VALUATION AS ASSESSED	1949 VALUATION AS EQUALIZED	1949 EQUALIZED PERCENTAGE	PERCENTAGE EQUALIZED FOR 1948	REF. NO.
<b>TOWNSHIPS</b>						
1	Addison	\$ 1,745,525	\$ 2,408,761	.41797%	.42603%	1
2	Avon	13,339,800	15,883,289	2.75608	2.71250	2
3	Bloomfield	10,833,255	13,922,774	2.41589	2.32595	3
4	Brandon	2,075,275	2,454,116	.42584	.43234	4
5	Commerce	5,305,945	6,625,318	1.14963	1.13389	5
6	Farmington	7,703,655	8,592,979	1.49106	1.55877	6
7	Groveland	966,125	1,210,115	.20998	.21731	7
8	Highland	2,409,230	3,090,697	.53630	.54953	8
9	Holly	3,412,410	3,942,641	.68413	.69420	9
10	Independence	4,279,715	4,448,978	.77199	.78824	10
11	Lyon	2,280,970	2,670,056	.46331	.48211	11
12	Milford	3,651,016	4,899,127	.85010	.87319	12
13	Novi	4,931,765	5,363,912	.93075	.94287	13
14	Oakland	1,730,660	2,129,659	.36954	.36957	14
15	Orion	6,497,985	7,575,521	1.31451	1.35156	15
16	Oxford	3,280,800	5,189,063	.90041	.92477	16
17	Pontiac	3,913,000	4,612,417	.80035	.81639	17
18	Rose	1,346,490	1,784,916	.30972	.31898	18
19	Royal Oak	6,003,890	10,209,039	1.77148	1.76720	19
20	Southfield	23,639,310	32,587,402	5.65459	5.66347	20
21	Springfield	1,605,575	2,037,566	.35356	.35972	21
22	Troy	5,706,675	7,842,809	1.36089	1.40600	22
23	Waterford	14,814,660	27,285,039	4.73452	4.81266	23
24	West Bloomfield	10,986,870	15,066,787	2.61440	2.64491	24
25	White Lake	3,542,538	4,763,984	.82665	.84461	25
	<b>TOTAL TOWNSHIPS</b>	<b>\$ 146,003,139</b>	<b>\$ 196,596,965</b>	<b>34.11365%</b>	<b>34.41677%</b>	
<b>CITIES</b>						
26	Berkley	\$ 13,090,200	\$ 23,641,036	4.10221%	3.88782%	26
27	Birmingham	27,582,240	32,022,110	5.55650	5.32741	27
28	Bloomfield Hills	4,704,950	7,772,962	1.34877	1.37018	28
29	Clawson	3,322,600	5,648,316	.98010	.95387	29
30	Farmington	2,812,955	4,241,510	.73599	.64757	30
31	Ferndale	30,349,425	44,935,091	7.79717	7.51064	31
32	Hazel Park	11,263,220	15,902,826	2.75947	2.72334	32
33	Huntington Woods	6,513,725	10,355,016	1.79681	1.68424	33
34	Oak Park	8,514,620	12,565,357	2.18035	2.28056	34
35	Pleasant Ridge	4,293,330	8,175,968	1.41870	1.44941	35
36	Pontiac	140,965,315	147,776,517	25.64229	26.44412	36
37	Royal Oak	42,275,455	62,904,009	10.91515	10.60574	37
38	South Lyon	1,720,485	1,829,810	.31751	.34704	38
39	Sylvan Lake	1,472,280	1,932,507	.33533	.35129	39
	<b>TOTAL CITIES</b>	<b>\$ 298,880,900</b>	<b>\$ 379,703,035</b>	<b>65.88635%</b>	<b>65.58323%</b>	
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 444,884,039</b>	<b>\$ 576,300,000</b>	<b>100.00000%</b>	<b>100.00000%</b>	

Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of this report.

## EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE

P. A. Vaughan, Chairman  
 Floyd Andrews, Alger Zapf, W. R. Ransom, George A. Schweigert, Elmer Haack, Cass B. Waters

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Misc. 2494.  
By Mr. Lilly:  
Mr. Chairman:

Your Building and Grounds Committee met on the fifteenth day of July A. D., 1949, and had under consideration the request of Springfield Township for the conveyance to the Township of the so-called County Park in said Township.

We considered the reservation in the original grant recorded in Liber 749 of Deeds on page 182 and after consultation with Mr. Merritt are of the opinion that the lands south of the Andersonville Road are free from any reversionary claim on the part of the County's grantors and such lands are not now and never have been used for Park purposes, being at present rented to a private person. We see no reason why these lands south of the road should be conveyed to the Township.

The lands north of the road have been used for park purposes ever since the grant was made to the County and are, at present, being so used. Immediate control of the said lands has been vested in the County Road Commission for several years and the entire Committee was of the opinion that it would be advisable to deed such lands to the Township in Trust for the use and benefit of the people of Oakland County, subject to the township maintaining said lands consistent with the conditions imposed by the original grant to the County.

At our request the Corporation Counsel has prepared a Deed to such lands, which I hand you herewith, and on behalf of the Committee I move that the Chairman and Clerk of this Board be authorized to execute the Deed as drawn, and deliver the same to the Township of Springfield.

I move the adoption of this resolution.

Harry Horton, Chairman  
Evert M. Bangham, Harry Stevenson, F. W. Liddle  
Robert E. Lilly, Edwin J. Johnston, C. G. Richardson

TRUST DEED

THIS INDENTURE, WITNESSETH, that the COUNTY OF OAKLAND, hereinafter called the grantor, for and in consideration of One Dollar, (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, conveys and warrants unto the Township of Springfield, Oakland County, Michigan, as Trustee for the use and benefit of the people of Oakland County, and subject to the conditions hereinafter imposed, the following described property situated in the Township of Springfield, County of Oakland and State of Michigan, to-wit:

All that part of the west 1/2 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 17, Springfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan, lying north of the center line of the Andersonville Road, Springfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan;

Also, three (3) acres of land in the Southeast corner of the West half of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 17, bounded North and West by the railroad and the Mill Pond, formerly called the John C. Davis Mill Pond; East by the West line of the East half of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, south by the south line of said Northeast quarter of said Section 17, excepting therefrom all the land occupied by said Mill Pond;

Also, a parcel of land on the Southeast quarter of said Section 17, starting at a point on the South line of said Section, seven (7) chains West from the Southeast corner thereof; thence West on the Section line thirteen (13) chains, forty (40) links to the North and South One-eighth (1/8) Section line dividing said quarter Section; thence North on said one-eighth (1/8) Section line, twenty-two (22) chains, twenty (20) links; thence East thirteen (13) chains, forty (40) links; thence South twenty-two (22) chains, twenty (20) links, to point of beginning, containing twenty-nine and seventy one-hundredths (29 and 70/100) acres, more or less.

The Party of the Second Part, Trustee herein, shall manage operate and control said lands subject to the following conditions, limitations and rights of reversion:

1. Said lands shall be known as "The Davisburg County Park".
2. In case and in the event that at any time no part of said lands above described shall be used by the Trustee for park purposes then said lands shall revert to the grantor herein.
3. Said Trustee shall maintain park and golf facilities on said property, said terms 'park' and 'golf' being construed to be synonymous herein.

4. Trustee accepts this conveyance subject to any claims of reversion by first party's grantors as provided in the grant recorded in Liber 749 of Deeds, page 182, Oakland County Register of Deeds Records.

The recording of this Instrument in the office of the Oakland County Register of Deeds' Office shall constitute formal acceptance by the grantee herein of the conveyance subject to the conditions and limitations prescribed herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the County of Oakland, by its Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and County Clerk, Clerk of said Board of Supervisors, has executed the above Trust Deed this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 1949.

Witnesseth:

COUNTY OF OAKLAND, a Michigan  
Constitutional Corporation,

By

Wm. C. Hudson, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors,  
and

Lynn D. Allen, Clerk of said Board of Supervisors.

State of Michigan,  
County of Oakland, ss

William C. Hudson and Lynn D. Allen, each being first duly sworn, depose and say that they are Chairman and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Oakland County, and that they executed the foregoing Deed pursuant to resolution of the Board of Supervisors and executed the same for a valuable consideration and as the free act and deed of the County of Oakland.

Notary Public, Oakland County, Mich.  
My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Moved by Lilly supported by Allen the resolution be adopted.

Discussion follows.

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Moved by Levinson supported by Schweigert this matter be laid on the table for further study.

CARRIED

Misc. 2495.

By Mr. Horkey:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

Gentlemen:

The matter of the death of George Bearden was referred to the Sheriff's Committee for investigation.

Your committee has investigated the circumstances surrounding the death, and report as follows:

We find that Ted LaPointe and Gordon Hodges, Sr. are special deputies not on the Sheriff's payroll. Ted LaPointe is a special deputy, without pay, and Gordon Hodges, Sr. an employee of the Probate Court with no particular assigned hours of employment;

That Dalos Anderson and George Bearden, special deputies working on detective work with definite working hours, however, they could not be strictly held to specific hours because they were on call at any hour. In this particular instance, we find that there was an accidental meeting of these men and the Sheriff, who invited them to the cottage. They had no intention of going there until they received a radio message to call Marion, Ohio police by phone, which they then decided to do from the Sheriff's cottage.

Upon arriving there they were invited to take a ride in the Sheriff's boat where the accident happened.

We also find that Undersheriff Don Menzies was called by the Sheriff to bring out a trusty of the jail; this call being made before the accidental meeting of the Sheriff and Anderson and Bearden. We find that there was no pre-arranged meeting intended by any of the men involved.

The matter of taking a trusty away from the jail for any reason whatsoever should not be approved and we therefore recommend that the Corporation Counsel render an opinion to the Sheriff's Department on handling of prisoners or trustys, in so far as it affects the liability of the county.

We also wish to report that the very nature of police work cannot hold all officers to regular hours because there have been times when the men are asked to work more than their regular shift, which was the fact in this case because of the three day holiday of May 28, 29 and 30, 1949.

George S. Horkey, Chairman  
George H. Ming, William F. Nern  
C. G. Richardson, L. J. Elbert

Moved by Horkey supported by Richardson the resolution be adopted.

CARRIED

Misc. 2496.

By Mr. Vaughan:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Oakland County:

Gentlemen:

In 1948 the question of adopting Act 282 of the Public Acts of 1945 was referred to the above named special committee appointed by Chairman, Wm. C. Hudson.

Your Commission has spent some time considering this Act and the wisdom of adopting it for Oakland County. In substance, the Statute provides for a County Planning Commission of not less than five nor more than eleven members who shall be representatives of the Community. There are several other provisions in the Statute which cannot be detailed at this time. However, after a thorough discussion of all of the provisions of the Act, we are convinced that it is for the best interests of Oakland County that the Board of Supervisors adopt Act 282 of the Public Acts of 1945.

We take this position because of the need for a central agency to coordinate and make plans for the future growth and development of the County as a whole. Many of the county problems are inter-related with problems of other local communities and on account of the extensive growth of the county the importance of water, sewage and land use and development will become more acute every day.

The Commission believes that the Planning Commission can be located in the office of the County Drain Commissioner, Earl L. Clark and that there should be on the Committee, the following County Officials: Corporation Counsel, Drain Commissioner, Engineer-Manager of the Road Commission as well as a representative from the Huron-Clinton Park Authority. The remaining members will be appointed by the Chairman of the Board in the event this report is adopted.

The Act also further provides that the provision must be made for the method of selecting the Members of the Planning Commission and we would recommend on this point that the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors appoint such members in the first instance including the above named officials and that, on all further appointments, including vacancies, that the same shall be made by the Chairman of the County Board upon consultation with the remaining members of the Planning Commission. This is suggested for the reason that the remaining members of the Commission should be in a better position to know who would have the knowledge, experience and interest in the work of the Committee so it would function properly for the benefit of the County.

An examination of the Planning Act work performed in Washtenaw County is, in our judgment, proof of the value of this activity in the county affairs. The Washtenaw County Planning Commission has performed an excellent work of public service and we are of the opinion that a Committee set up for Oakland County could do the same work for Oakland.

Respectfully submitted,  
COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
P. A. Vaughan, Chairman

Evert M. Bangham, Harry J. Merritt, W. A. Ewart, Earl L. Clark

At the meeting of the Committee, the following names were suggested who might serve on the Planning Commission: George Schmid, Water Engineer of Royal Oak, Robert Swanson, City Planner and Architect, Bloomfield Hills, Ernest Seaholm, Chairman of Planning Commission of Birmingham and former Automotive Engineer, now retired, Fred Beckman, Clarkston, Michigan, Harold Fitzgerald, Pontiac, Michigan, Leon Hubbard, Pontiac, Michigan. Other possible members can be thought of but these appear to be good candidates for the Commission.

Moved by Vaughan supported by Allen the resolution be adopted.

CARRIED

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Misc. 2497.

By Mr. Waterhouse:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Your Special Cost Study Committee investigating ways and means of increasing efficiency in County Departments has thoroughly investigated the conditions in the office of the Board of Auditors and is of the opinion that instead of two full time and one part time Auditor, as is the status of the personnel of the Board of Auditors at this time, that three (3) full time men should be employed.

Wherefore your Committee offers the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by this Board that the present part time office on the Board of Auditors be filled by a full time employee and that the Salary Committee, in submitting its Salary Report for the ensuing year, make provisions in its report for three full time members of the Board of Auditors.

SPECIAL COST STUDY COMMITTEE

E. H. Waterhouse, Chairman

David Levinson, James L. Gardner, Harry W. Horton

Ernest Blanchard, Morgan Axford, Oscar Eckman

Moved by Waterhouse supported by Lamb the resolution be adopted.

Mr. Waterhouse speaks briefly on the report.

AYES: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstrow, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Clawson, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Eckman, Ewart, Frame, Gardner, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Grix, Haack, Hamlin, Hillman, Holmes, Horkey, Horton, Hudson, Irwin, Johnston, Kephart, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Liddle, Lilly, Macgregor, Main, McCary, McCaskill, McClellan, Ming, Moberly, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ransom, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Waters, Westfall, Zapf. (71)

NAYS: None (0)

CARRIED

Moved by Waterhouse supported by Kerr that the Ways and Means Committee be requested to submit to this Board, in October, names of two qualified applicants for this position. These applicants to be of a different political party than those members now on the Board of Auditors.

Discussion follows.

CARRIED

Misc. 2498.

By Mr. Waterhouse:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Whereas, this Board by Miscellaneous Resolution No. 2448 passed on October 27, 1948, created a Department of Purchase and Supplies, and

Whereas, it was felt advisable to take no further steps toward completing the establishment of that Department pending the outcome of the survey being made by the Public Administration Service, and

Whereas, that report has been completed and the Board Members have all been supplied with copies thereof and

Whereas, your Special Committee deems it advisable to proceed with the completion of the "Department of Purchase and Supplies", and

Whereas, it is necessary, in the opinion of the Committee, to procure the most capable individual available to establish the department and coordinate the procedure to be followed in the department within the provisions of Act No. 307 of the Public Acts of 1917, as amended, and

Whereas, your Committee is of the opinion that this department should be ready to function as of January 1, 1950;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Board employ Eugene Gump for a period of four (4) months commencing September 1, 1949 and ending December 31, 1949 at a salary of seven-hundred-fifty dollars (\$750.00) per month, to establish said department and install a complete operating system pursuant to the provisions of said Act.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salary Committee in preparing the schedule of salaries to be approved at the October Session, make arrangements for the salary for a purchasing agent to be employed as of January 1, 1950, and further provide salaries for the personnel necessary in the department.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ways and Means Committee interview, advertise or take such steps as it deems necessary to procure a Purchasing Agent to take over the management of the Department of Purchase and Supplies on January 1, 1950 for a period of two years, as provided in said Statute and make recommendations to this Board for the final appointment preceding January 1, 1950.

Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the Committee whose names are signed below, I move the adoption of this resolution.

SPECIAL COST STUDY COMMITTEE

E. H. Waterhouse, Chairman

Waterhouse

David Levinson James L. Gardner

Levinson Gardner

Horton

Ernest Blanchard

Blanchard

Axford

Oscar Eckman

Eckman

Moved by Waterhouse supported by Levinson the resolution be adopted.

Moved by Lamb supported by Schalm the resolution be referred to the Ways and Means Committee for a report.

AYES: Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Bromley, Capstrow, Cardon, Clawson, Dean, Duncan, Frame, Horton, Irwin, Johnston, Kephart, Lamb, Leavy, Liddle, Macgregor, Nern, Reid, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Waters. (28)

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NAYS: Allen, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Calhoun, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Cummings, Eckman, Ewert, Gardner, Gibbs, Goodspeed, Graham, Grix, Haack, Hamlin, Hillman, Holmes, Horkey, Hudson, Kerr, Ladd, Levinson, Lilly, Main, McCary, McCaskill, McClellan, Ming, Moberly, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ransom, Rhinevault, Richardson, Stevenson, Taylor, Thatcher, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Westfall, Zapf. (43)

LOST

Discussion follows.

Mr. Waterhouse explains the report.

Voting on original motion:

AYES: Bangham, Blanchard, Clawson, Dean, Eckman, Gardner, Goodspeed, Haack, Holmes, Horton, Hudson, Levinson, Liddle, Main, McClellan, Moberly, Ransom, Schweigert, Fred Smith, Stevenson, Waterhouse, Zapf. (22)

NAYS: Allen, Andrews, Axford, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Capstraw, Cardon, Ferris Clark, Frank Clark, Cummings, Duncan, Ewert, Frame, Gibbs, Graham, Grix, Hamlin, Hillman, Horkey, Irvin, Johnston, Kephart, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Lilly, Macgregor, McCary, McCaskill, Ming, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Schalm, Schock, Seery, Shimmons, Wm. Smith, Taylor, Thatcher, Vaughan, Waters, Westfall. (49)

LOST

Moved by Richardson supported by Graham the Board adjourn until 1:30 this afternoon.

CARRIED

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman William C. Hudson.

ROLL CALLED: Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Bromley, Calhoun, Cardon, Frank Clark, Clawson, Cummings, Dean, Duncan, Eckman, Ewert, Frame, Gardner, Gibbs, Graham, Grix, Haack, Hamlin, Hudson, Johnston, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Liddle, Macgregor, Main, McCary, McCaskill, McClellan, Ming, Moberly, Nern, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ransom, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Schalm, Schock, Schweigert, Seery, Shimmons, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Thatcher, Vaughan, Waterhouse, Waters, Zapf. (58)

QUORUM PRESENT

Voting on Equalisation Report. (Special order of business)

AYES: Andrews, Axford, Bangham, Blanchard, Braid, Brendel, Calhoun, Frank Clark, Clawson, Cummings, Duncan, Eckman, Ewert, Frame, Gardner, Gibbs, Graham, Haack, Hamlin, Hudson, Kerr, Ladd, Lamb, Leavy, Levinson, Liddle, Main, McCaskill, McClellan, Ming, Moberly, Niparko, Oldenburg, Ransom, Reid, Rhinevault, Richardson, Schalm, Schweigert, Seery, Fred Smith, Wm. Smith, Stevenson, Thatcher, Vaughan, Waters, Zapf. (47)

NAYS: Bromley, Cardon, Dean, Grix, Johnston, Macgregor, McCary, Nern, Schock, Shimmons, Waterhouse. (11)

CARRIED

Misc. 2499.

By Mr. Graham:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Whereas, when an Old Age recipient enters a hospital or convalescent home, it is possible their grant may be increased to a maximum of \$80.00 per month, and

Whereas, it is most difficult to convince the recipient the increase, in excess of continuing expenses, is granted to assist in the payment of such hospitalization and/or convalescent care, and

Whereas, the Social Security Administration and the State of Michigan makes it mandatory that the checks to Old Age Assistance recipients be mailed directly to the payee,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Board recommend legislation be enacted permitting remittances be made direct to the Hospital or Convalescent Home for the amount allowed for this purpose,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED a copy of this resolution be sent to the Resolutions Committee of the State Association of Social Welfare Boards, the Resolutions Committee of the State Association of Supervisors, the Michigan State Social Welfare Commission and our Representatives in the Congress of the United States and the Michigan State Legislature.

Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, I move the adoption of this resolution.

WELFARE COMMITTEE

Wm. E. Graham, Chairman  
Graham

J. Wesley Duncan  
Duncan

Varion

Arthur Lamb  
Lamb

Harry Stevenson  
Stevenson

Mrs. Lewis

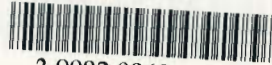
James L. Gardner  
Gardner

Moved by Graham supported by Ransom the resolution be adopted.

Mr. Graham requests that Mr. Charles Hamilton of the Social Welfare Commission be allowed to address the Board.

Mr. Hamilton addresses Board on the subject of Old Age Assistance.





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CARRIED

Voting on resolutions:

Misc. 2500.

By Mr. Graham:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Whereas, not only indigents have a right to claim support and hospitalization from the public but persons with substantial properties as well, and  
 Whereas, the County is the unit charged with the burden of providing such support or hospitalization, and  
 Whereas, common decency and honesty demands that the County should be reimbursed for such advances from the recipients, if possible, and from their estates in any event if the assets are available, and  
 Whereas, the present laws do not authorize the claiming of a lien and the County is limited to filing a claim in Probate Court after the death of the recipient, and  
 Whereas, in many cases, experience has shown that the property has been conveyed to heirs or others, and  
 Whereas, the Old Age Assistance laws have already been amended to accomplish the purpose sought here, and  
 Whereas, we believe that recovery would be increased and applicants be less if on application for assistance the seeker had to give a lien on all real estate or tangible personal property owned by the seeker and transfer custody of negotiable securities to the Welfare Department as security;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Michigan Legislature be requested to amend the Welfare Act and the Hospitalization Act to accomplish the purpose suggested in the preamble to this resolution and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the State Association of Supervisors, State Welfare Association, our Representatives in the Legislature and to the Clerk of each Board of Supervisors in Michigan for presentation to their Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the Welfare Committee, I move the adoption of this resolution.

WELFARE COMMITTEE

Wm. E. Graham, Chairman

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James L. Gardner

Mrs. Lewis Gardner

Mrs. Lewis

Moved by Graham supported by Duncan the resolution be adopted.

Discussion follows.

Voting on resolutions:

CARRIED

Mr. Lynn D. Allen, County Clerk, requests the opinion of the Board relative to posting \$25.00 or more cash or bond for jury fees at time of filing a case.

Discussion follows.

Moved by Braid supported by Cummings this matter be referred to the Legislative Committee.

Moved by Macgregor supported by Main that the Legislative Committee get an expression from the Oakland County Bar Association on its views of the plan.

CARRIED

Voting on original motion as amended:

CARRIED

Moved by Ming supported by Stevenson that when the Board adjourns, they adjourn subject to the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

Moved by Clawson supported by Gardner that the Board adjourn subject to the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

CLERK

CHAIRMAN