

**MERCER COUNTY BOARD MINUTES  
February 3, 2015**

**Board convened pursuant to adjournment at 7pm.**

**Following the Pledge of Allegiance roll call showed the following members present: Board Member Anseeuw, Bieri, Bell, Gregg, McWhorter, Pappas, Rooth, Sindelar and Vann. Absent was Board Member Jones.**

**Chairman Anseeuw presented the minutes of the January 13, 2015 General Board Meeting and on the motion of Board Member Pappas seconded by Board Member Gregg were approved by vote of the Board.**

**Todd Heath, Mayor of the Village of Joy addressed the Board regarding the Village's Animal Control Contract. In the past the Village did not make payments on their contract and this year the Committee chose to not renew the contract. He is asking that the Committee reconsider this decision as they are having trouble with dogs in the Village.**

**Board Member Vann presented the minutes of the Law Enforcement Committee and on the motion of Board Member Gregg seconded by Board Member McWhorter was approved by vote of the Board.**

**Board Member Rooth presented the minutes of the Transportation Committee and on his motion seconded by Board Member Vann was approved by vote of the Board.**

**Board Member Rooth presented the minutes of the Animal Control Committee and on his motion seconded by Board Member Vann was approved by vote of the Board.**

**Board Member Sindelar presented the minutes of the Public Health Board and on her motion seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board.**

**Board Member Bieri presented the minutes of the January 15<sup>th</sup> Zoning Board of Appeals and on his motion seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board. He then presented the minutes of the January 29<sup>th</sup> Zoning Board of Appeals and on his motion seconded by Board Member McWhorter was approved by vote of the Board. He then presented an Ordinance to Rezone 7.88 acres from AG1 to R1 for Nancy Woodward Trustee to Daniel and Diana Mallie and on the motion of Board Member Vann seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE ZONING RECORD BOOK 3 PAGES \_\_\_\_\_. He then presented an Ordinance to Rezone 1.51 to 1.70 acres from AG1 to R1 for John A. and Nancy L. Harris and on the motion of Board Member Bell was seconded by Board Member Gregg and approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE ZONING RECORD BOOK 3 PAGES \_\_\_\_\_. He then presented the request of Zoning Officer Vicki Bull to allow the hiring of a platting officer to review plats at the cost of \$150.00 per plat and on the motion of Board Member McWhorter seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board.**

**Board Member Anseeuw presented the minutes of the Personnel Committee and on his motion seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board.**

Board Member Pappas presented the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting and on his motion seconded by Board Member Gregg were approved by vote of the Board. He then presented the Claims for payment as follows: General Corporate \$69,403.53, Public Health \$32,624.84, IMRF \$1,344.42, Social Security \$1,070.01, County Highway \$45,956.14, County Aid Bridge \$2,882.37, Township Motor Fuel \$23,014.80, Unclaimed Estates \$4.10, Animal Control \$1,489.21, Law Library \$727.49, Capital Improvements \$337.40, Liability Insurance \$7,905.39, Circuit Clerk Automation \$11,056.40, Recorder \$170.00, Probation Fees \$3,263.81, Coroners Cremation \$60.13, Collectors Automation \$316.61, GIS Fees \$3,728.08 for a total of \$204,354.73 and on his motion seconded by Board Member Vann was approved by vote of the Board. He presented the proposal by Bellwether, LLC to perform a Comprehensive Fee, Cost Allocation and Benchmark Review for a fee not to exceed \$34,500 with travel fees of \$750.00 and on his motion seconded by Board Member McWhorter was approved by vote of the Board.

Chairman Anseeuw presented the Resolution For County Holidays for 2015 with Lincoln's Birthday February 12<sup>th</sup> and Presidents Day February 16<sup>th</sup> and on the motion of Board Member Rooth seconded by Board Member McWhorter were approved by vote of the Board. Chairman Anseeuw presented a Resolution Regarding Line of Credit Use and upon the motion of Board Member Pappas seconded by Board Member Sindelar was approved by vote of the Board with two nays. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE MISCELLANEOUS RECORD BOOK I-2 PAGES \_\_\_\_\_. Chairman Anseeuw presented a Resolution for Sale of Delinquent Property 17-17-26-108-003 to Bryan Wilson Crain and on the motion of Board Member Rooth seconded by Board Member Gregg was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE MISCELLANEOUS RECORD BOOK I-2 PAGES \_\_\_\_\_. Board Member McWhorter moved to proceed with a new study for Early Retirement Incentive, motion seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board. Chairman Anseeuw presented a Resolution regarding Appointments and on the motion of Board Member Vann seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE MISCELLANEOUS RECORD BOOK I-2 PAGES \_\_\_\_\_. Chairman Anseeuw presented a Job Description of County Administrator. Board Member Pappas moved to approve the Job Description and was seconded by Board Member Sindelar. Discussion regarding changing the salary description to "in the range of \$70,000" by Board Member Vann resulted in a motion by Board Member Vann seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by Roll call vote showing Ayes: 6 Nays: 3 (McWhorter, Gregg and Bell). The original motion approving the Job Description as amended was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE MISCELLANEOUS RECORD BOOK I-2 PAGES \_\_\_\_\_.

Chairman Anseeuw presented for Appointment to the Merit Commission, Steve Pearson to fill the Unexpired 2 year Term of Larry Finley and on the motion of Board Member McWhorter seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDING SEE APPOINTMENT BOOK.

Tim Lobdell presented the monthly report of the TriCounty Waste Management Council.

Public Comment from Jason Soseman regarding Zoning.

Motion to adjourn to Tuesday, March 3, 2015 by Board Member Anseeuw seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board at 7:45pm.