

GENESEE COUNTY CLERK'S/TREASURER'S ASSOCIATION MEETING
JANUARY 8, 1997, 12:00 P.M., WALLI'S SUPPER CLUB

ATTENDANCE: 38

Ginger Spencer said Jeff Cyphert, President, sends his regrets that he won't be at the meeting, and Janet Johnston has an employee leaving and won't be able to attend. She welcomed everyone to the meeting and called the meeting to order at 12:20 P.M. She explained the reason for meeting this month at Walli's, was because of a mix-up with the reservations at Weekday's. We will meet at Walli's again in February and then make a decision as to where we will hold our meetings.

Sue English, Clerk of Mundy Township, passed out information regarding a household hazardous waste program to be held in the Spring of 1997. If anyone is interested in participating in this program and wishes to pledge money to do so, please contact her at Mundy Township. She said the City of Swartz Creek has pledged \$1,000.00 and Mundy Township will also pledge \$1,000.00. If three (3) more communities commit, we can get a cheaper price for doing this. She also said if anyone is interested in getting yard waste signs, please see her about this issue. Please contact Sue at Mundy Township if anyone is interested in this program.

Committee Reports:

There was no report from the Clerks.

Ginger gave a brief report from the Treasurer's. She said the deposits seemed to go okay with TransAmerica. If anyone had any problems, call Janet Mosley. She said some units of government have the County post their payments, rather than scanning them. Once checks are balanced, call Steve and let him know what date to use and he will do the posting. Reports will be sent to you. A discussion was held concerning problems with the post office when mailing the tax statements.

Ginger said HB 5359 has removed the provision to refile Homestead every four (4) years. Also, HB 5420 deals with making changes in elections.

Ginger introduced the following people: Dan Kildee, County Treasurer; Lee Gonzalez, Administrative Assistant in Treasurer's Office; Paul McShane, Chief Deputy Treasurer; Enid Pierson, Versys Systems.

GUEST SPEAKER: Dan Harrell, Board Coordinator, Genesee County Board of Commissioners

Dan Harrell said he has held this position for a period of nine (9) years and is the longest serving coordinator in the County history. Mr. Harrell gave everyone a handout describing the different departments in Genesee County and their functions, as well as a list of phone numbers for the various departments. He explained that in past years, a number of offices were consolidated and that is why he is also the Emergency Management Coordinator. He is the liaison person between the County and Lansing and Washington and the local citizens. He writes letters, resolutions, speeches and is responsible that information flows between the Board of Commissioners, departments, constituents and community. He said if anyone has any information that should go to the County Board, contact him and he will get the information to whomever it needs to get to. **GENESEE COUNTY CLERK'S/TREASURER'S MINUTES**
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He explained that as Emergency Management Coordinator, it is his job to coordinate all first responders to the community in cases of floods, tornadoes, or any other kind of disaster. He said if any community has a disaster, he would be involved in helping to resolve the problems. His office holds annual disaster drills.

Mr. Harrell said this year there were four (4) new County Commissioners and he has been acquainting them with the operations of the County. He said it is sometimes difficult to get so many entities to work together, such as the State, County and Local Units of Government. His office is in the process of a Total Quality Management Program. This will bring all of the county government departments and agencies working out ways to work together.

Mr. Harrell explained that the main function of the County Board is the budget. He said it is interesting to watch the Commissioners work on the budget process. They work with a 180 Million Dollar budget. All members of the County Board are also members of one of the committees. Every department of the County has a parent commissioner for operations. Through this process, every department is monitored. The County Commissioner Chairman makes a salary of \$31,500.00 and each members makes \$27,000.00. They are paid a salary and are expected to attend all meetings. The County Board appoints members to the Road Commission, Parks and Recreation, Building Authority, Water & Waste Services. They also have the authority to pass local ordinances. Mr. Harrell said this job used to be part-time, but has become a full time job. He sees this as a positive, because the taxpayers pay for the Commissioners and should be able to get to them when they call.

He said if anyone needed to contact him, please feel free to do so.

Ginger Spencer adjourned the meeting at 1:40 P.M.

Cheryl M. Ladd, CMC/AE
Secretary

