

MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

May 11, 2017

The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, May 11, 2017 in the County Annex Building, Board Room, 100 S. Marley St. St. Ignace, MI.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hill at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call: Paul Krause, Jim Hill, Diane Patrick, Bucky McPhee, Dan Litzner
Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America was recited.

Agenda Additions/Deletions - It was moved by Commissioner Patrick with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the agenda. VVMC.

Approval of Minutes – Chairman Hill requested two corrections to the minutes. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the corrected minutes of April 27, 2017. VVMC.

Public Comment – None

Business:

- Funding Request for 516 DTE Fund – 911 Coordinator Bryce Tracy proposed a funding request for 911 from the 516 DTE Fund to update the Mackinac County 911 Emergency Paging/Notification system for all Fire/EMS and Support Services in Mackinac County and to support the purchase of updated broadband mobile data equipment that has been in place since 2007/2009 in the amount of \$100,000.00. After a brief discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Patrick with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the funding request from the 516 DTE Fund in the amount of \$100,000.00 to update the 911 Emergency Paging/Notification system and the broadband data equipment. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Hill, McPhee, Krause, Litzner; NO: None; ABSENT: None. (request attached).

- Independent Contract for Appraisal Services – Pam Chipman, Equalization Director, presented the board with a contract for Appraisal Services. It was moved by Commissioner Krause with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the Independent Contract for Appraisal Services with Michael A. Larson. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Hill, McPhee, Krause, Litzner; NO: None; ABSENT: None. (contract attached).

-Request for Desktop Sit/Stand Work Desk – Pam Chipman, Equalization Director, requested the purchase of a sit/stand work desk for Deputy Dewitt. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the purchase of a Ergotron Workfit Desktop Sit/Stand Work Desk in the amount of \$600.00. (request attached).

-Reconsideration of the Sheriff Department 1.5% Raise Request – Commissioner Hill reviewed the steps necessary for reconsideration of the November 2016 Board decision to deny this raise request. A letter from Commissioner Litzner requesting this reconsideration was presented and Commissioner Litzner moved to reconsider. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Patrick. Because this motion did not get the four affirmative votes necessary for passage, the November 2016 decision denying the 1.5% raise will not be reconsidered. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Litzner; NO: Krause, Hill, McPhee; ABSENT: None.

Elected Officials/Staff Reports:

-Undersheriff, Ed Wilk – Undersheriff Wilk informed the board that due to a recent meth lab drug bust, the county will be incurring some cost to clean up the site.

Undersheriff Wilk distributed pictures of the new fence at the Sheriff Department garage. (previous Huskey Property).

Undersheriff Wilk informed the board that the new vehicles were all in except the truck. Schoolcraft and Baraga Counties will be purchasing the old vehicles and the monies received will reimburse the 516 fund.

-Treasurer, Jennifer Goudreau – Treasurer Goudreau informed the board that she has been attending Township meetings to see if there is a need for the Treasurer to hold office hours at the Townships.

Additional Board Member Business:

-Luce County Veterans Contract – Chairman Hill discussed the Luce County Veterans Contract with the board. The grant amount received is \$3,181 and Chairman Hill questioned if Mackinac County should contribute an additional amount since Luce County originally requested reimbursement of \$8,000. Commissioner Patrick thought that there were important issues that needed to be addressed for Mackinac, Chippewa and Luce County veterans and that the board could do something that would benefit all veterans. Commissioner Krause stated that Mackinac County Veteran Agent’s budget is less than the grant amount and maybe our Veteran budget should be increased. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick with support by Commissioner McPhee to authorize the Chairman to sign the Luce County Veteran Agreement to allocate the grant money of \$3,181 to Luce County for their service to Mackinac County veterans. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, McPhee, Krause, Litzner; NO: Hill; None; ABSENT: None.

-Airport Property Easements – Commissioner McPhee informed the board that the monies received from the State of Michigan for the easements at the Airport is required to be used for Airport budget costs.

-Sheriff Department Requested Wage Increase – Commissioner McPhee stated that his reason for voting no to open the discussion for a wage increase was that if the board gave the AFSCME union a raise in error, he did not want to make another error by doing it again.

Committee Reports – None

Public Comment – None

Approval of the Bills/Budget Amendments – The board reviewed the bills for approval in the amount of \$115,142.81 and the manual bills in the amount of \$90,392.12. It was moved by Commissioner Litzner with support by Commissioner Krause to approve the bills. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Hill, McPhee, Krause, Litzner; NO: None; ABSENT: None. (bills attached)

-The board reviewed the Additional Bills List in the amount of \$1,246.14. It was moved by Commissioner Krause with support by Commissioner Patrick to approve the Additional Bills. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Hill, McPhee, Krause, Litzner; NO: None; ABSENT: None. (additional bills list attached)

-The board reviewed the Request for Budget Amendments for the Sheriff Department 301 and 351 budgets. It was moved by Commissioner Litzner with support by Commissioner Patrick to approve the budget amendment. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Hill, McPhee, Krause, Litzner; NO: None; ABSENT: None. (amendments attached)

-It was moved by Commissioner Litzner with support by Commissioner McPhee to table the Request for Budget Amendment for 911 to get better clarification.

Adjournment - Chairman Hill adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Lori Johnston
Mackinac County Clerk