

MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, August 22, 2019

The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, August 22, 2019 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.

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

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

Agenda Approval – It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Litzner to accept the amended agenda. VVMC

Approval of Minutes – It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the minutes of August 8, 2019. VVMC

Public Comment: Alex Iseri, Director of Economic Alliance, informed the board of a Merit Broadband Conference in Gaylord on September 24th and Director Iseri introduced the Americorp Vista Worker Megan Rochlitz.

Elected Officials/Staff Reports:

Equalization Director Chipman discussed the Joint Employment Agreement with EUP Planning, the GIS Fetch System and the Land Division application revision.

Treasurer Goudreau discussed the tax foreclosure auction, Class Action Lawsuit change of venue and a CDBG Community Action Loan Release.

Undersheriff Wilk informed the board that J. Ranck has begun their work on the security upgrades and the Jail Records Management System training.

New Business:

Hanna Lupan Property – Treasurer Goudreau discussed the Lupan property mortgage in foreclosure and asked the board if they had an interest in purchasing the property in the amount of \$167,371.28. The board agreed to wait until after the sheriff sale next Thursday to take action. (Property information attached)

Housing Commission Appointment – The board reviewed a request from Carmen Pittenger, Director of the Mackinac County Housing Commission, to appoint Janis Mitchell to fill the vacated board seat of Jerry Loebach. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Krause to appoint

Janis Mitchell to the Housing Commission Board, replacing Jerry Loebach, with a term expiring 10/31/2021. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none. (Request attached)

Old Business:

District Court/Bawol Wage – The board discussed the request to reclassify Deputy Bawol from a Pay Grade 3 Step 1 to a Pay Grade 5 Step 2. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner Krause to follow the policy to reclassify during the period of January 1 -January 15. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, McPhee, Patrick; NO: Litzner; Absent: none. (Letter attached)

District Court/Mullins Wage – The board reviewed the request to correct the wage increase for Deputy Mullins. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner McPhee to move Deputy Mullins from a Pay Grade 8 Step 2 to a Pay Grade 8 Step 5 to compensate for the error in a motion made on August 9, 2018. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none.

The board discussed the request to pay Deputy Mullins retroactive pay for the error in a motion made on August 9, 2018. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Litzner to authorize retro pay effective March 1, 2019. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none.

Apple Tablets – The board discussed the purchase of 6 apple tablets. The board tabled in order to receive more bids.

Additional Board Member Business:

Custodian Truck Purchase - The board reviewed a quote from Mackinac Ford Sales in the amount of \$11,795 to replace the maintenance department's truck. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the purchase of the truck. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none; Abstain: Krause.

Committee Reports: Commissioner McPhee discussed the Brownfield Meeting and informed the board that the Brownfield Authority approved the Lawson property purchased by Sheplers.

Commissioner McPhee discussed the Escanaba State Fair; Little Bear Park receiving no bids; Airport Manager Fullerton budget amendment for snowplowing.

Commissioner Patrick informed the board that the Hessel Schoolhouse was added to the historic register.

Commissioner Krause discussed the garbage removal and requested a letter be sent to inform them that the board will not be renewing the contract but would be putting it out for bids.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Bills/Budget Amendments:

The board reviewed the bills for approval in the amount of \$43,648.63 and the manual bills in the amount of \$192,338.69. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Litzner to approve the bills. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none. (Bills attached)

Additional Bills:

The board reviewed the additional bills for approval in the amount of \$48162. It was moved by Commissioner Litzner second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the additional bills. (Bills attached)

Amendments:

The board reviewed the Request for Budget Amendments #2019-10. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner McPhee to approve the Budget Amendments. (Amendment attached)

Communications:

The board reviewed the Notice of Decision/US Dept. Of Interior. (Communications attached)

Adjournment – Chair Hill adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Lori Johnston
County Clerk