MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, August 23, 2018

The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, August 23, 2018 in the County Annex Building, Board Room, 100 S. Marley St., St. Ignace, MI.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Patrick at 4:32 pm.

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

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

Agenda Approval – It was moved by Commissioner Hill with support by Commissioner Litzner to accept the amended agenda. VVMC

Approval of Minutes – It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner Krause to approve the minutes of August 9, 2018. VVMC

Public Comment: Alex Isseri reminded the board of the Mackinac Economic Alliance trap shoot on August 25. (Flyer attached)

Elected Officials/Staff Reports:
Treasurer Goudreau discussed the foreclosed property auction.

Emergency Services Coordinator Kasper requested renewal of the Public Mass Notification system from Rave Mobile Safety in the amount of $7,500 for 3 years, or $1,740 for the first year. The board will discuss during bills approval. (Letter attached)

New Business:
Mackinac County/Great Lakes Air Agreement for Fuel Dispensary – The board reviewed the Agreement for Fuel Dispensary between Great Lakes Air and Mackinac County. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner Hill to approve the agreement. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none. (Agreement attached)

Alternate Canvasser Appointment – Clerk Johnston requested the appointment of JoAnn Roosen as Alternate Canvasser. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner Hill to approve the appointment. VVMC (Letter attached)

Pitch Black Asphalt – The board reviewed the proposal from Pitch Black Asphalt to seal the Courthouse and Sheriff Department parking lots in the amount of $7,500. After a brief discussion, the proposal was tabled. (Proposal attached)
Veterans Service Officer Agreement – The board reviewed the Employment Agreement for Veterans Services Officer between Luis Perez and Mackinac County. Veterans Services Board member Frank Harness was present to answer the board’s questions. It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner Litzner to authorize the Chair to sign the employment agreement. VVMC (Agreement attached)

District Court Resolution – The board reviewed a letter from Judge Gibson requesting a Resolution Appointment of Mary Ann Mullins to a Magistrate of the 92nd District Court. It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner McPhee to authorize the Chair to sign the resolution. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none. (Letter/Resolution attached)

Old Business:
Vince Babcock-Aggregate Stop Loss Quote/44 North – The Board reviewed the Aggregate Stop Loss Quote in the amount of $10,434. Vince Babcock of 44 North was available via telephone conference to review the quote and answer the board’s questions. It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner McPhee to take no action for lack of support. VVMC with Chair Patrick opposed. (Quote attached)

New Business (cont.):
Sheriff Strait Request for Raise for Kristan Litzner – The board reviewed a letter from Sheriff Strait requesting a raise for part time cook Kristan Litzner. It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner Krause to move Ms. Litzner to a pay grade 4 level 2 at $14.72 per hour. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none; Abstain; Litzner. (Letter attached)

Sheriff Strait presented the board with the Secondary Road Patrol and Traffic Accident Prevention Program application and the Stonegarden Grant Agreement for approval. It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner McPhee to authorize the Chair to sign the two applications. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none. (Agreements attached)

Equalization Director Chipman discussed House Bill 6049 and Senate Bill 1025 regarding tax assessing reform. Director Chipman presented the board with a spreadsheet on the possible financial impact of the reform legislation to Mackinac County, notes on the hearing in Gaylord on August 14, 2018, MAC’s major concerns, and MTA recommendations. Director Chipman requested that the board prepare a resolution in opposition to the proposed legislation.

Director Chipman informed the board that Equalization employee Thomas Girdwood has resigned effective August 31, 2018 and she will be posting the position and placing an ad in the paper.

Additional Board Member Business:
Commissioner McPhee informed the board that Mackinac Island is in the process of establishing a transportation authority, Community Action is planning to build a housing
project on the island, Mackinac County Airport is trying to obtain a grant to purchase
property across from the airport and the record year for the State Fair.

Commissioner Krause discussed the Upward Talent Council’s new office,
unemployment figures, and MDOT meeting on the Brevort River bridge repair.

Chair Patrick discussed the MSU Extension Advisory Board Committee; Veteran
Support Services, Erin Carter replacing MSU Director Jim Lucas, and gave the board a
handout for the new commissioner school. (handout attached)

Commissioner Litzner discussed HOME of Mackinac County and the future retirement
of Director Lori Pieri and the need to find a replacement for the position.

Committee Reports: None

Public Comments: Thomas Girdwood spoke of his resignation and how he enjoyed
working for Mackinac County and how he appreciated the support of Director Chipman.

Approval of Bills/Budget Amendments:
The board reviewed the bills for approval in the amount of $67,291.21 and the manual
bills in the amount of $163,286.52. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by
Commissioner Hill 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 in the amount of $5,987.05. It
was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner McPhee to approve the
additional bills. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent:
none. (Additional bills attached)

The board discussed the request from Emergency Services Coordinator Kasper for
approval to renew the Public Mass Notification system from Rave Mobile Safety. After a
brief discussion, Treasurer Goudreau stated she will pay for the three year service out
of the tax proceeds. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner
Litzner to pay for the system through the Tax Auction Proceeds. Roll Call: YES: Hill,
Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: none; Absent: none.

Communications:
The board reviewed July 2018 Banking Account Balances, July Animal Shelter Report,
Menominee County Resolution, and Chippewa County Resolution.

Adjournment – Chair Patrick adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Lori Johnston
County Clerk