

MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, December 20, 2022

The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 in the Courthouse Circuit Courtroom, 100 S. Marley Street, St. Ignace, Michigan.

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

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

Roll Call: Paul Krause, Craig Lehrke, Mike Patrick, Jim Hill. Absent: Bucky McPhee

Agenda Approval: It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner Krause to approve the agenda as presented. VVMC

Minutes Approval: It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the minutes of 12/8/2022 as presented. VVMC

Closed session: It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Krause to go into closed session to discuss the surplus proceeds tax settlement agreement. Roll Call: YES: Krause, Hill, Patrick, Lehrke. NO: none. Absent: McPhee. The Commissioners moved to the E911 conference room to go over Attorney Client material.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Krause to move out of Closed Session and back to the open meeting at 4:52pm. VVMC

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Krause to approve the proposed Tax settlement agreement. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Patrick, Lehrke, Krause. NO: none. Absent: McPhee.

FY2023 PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING: Chair Lehrke opened the public hearing on the FY2023 Budget at 4:53 p.m. No public comments were given. Chair Lehrke closed the public hearing at 4:55 p.m. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Hill to approve the FY2023 proposed budget and investment policy. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Lehrke, Patrick. NO: Krause. Absent: McPhee.

Public Comment:
None.

Elected Officials/Staff Reports:

Clerk Hillary Vowell presented the board with retirement resolutions for Commissioners Jim Hill and Bucky McPhee. Commissioner Hill served the County for 12 years representing Dist. 1 and Bucky McPhee served the County

for 16 years representing Dist. 5. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the retirement resolutions. Roll Call: YES: Krause, Hill, Patrick, Lehrke. NO: none. Absent: McPhee. (resolutions attached)

Sheriff Ed Wilk – Thanked the Commissioners for their hard work. And gave an update on staffing.

E911 Coordinator Bryce Tracy – presented a certificate to Commissioner McPhee for his 16 years of service on the 911 Board.

New Business:

Engadine Historical Society - Mike Klobucher, Janice Wagner and Gary Smith were present to request \$25,000 in ARPA funds for repairs needed on the Historical Society museum. After some discussion and questions answered; it was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Krause to donate \$25,000 in ARPA funds. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Krause, Lehrke, Hill. NO: none. Absent: McPhee. (request attached)

Commissioner Lehrke brought up the Veterans Board members being re-appointed. The board agreed the new board coming in January should do the appointments.

Old Business:

LMAS building sales contract - It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the contract as presented. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Patrick, Lehrke, Krause. NO: none. Absent: McPhee. (contract attached)

Commissioner Krause had questions regarding an internal harassment complaint. The board decided to dismiss the current attorney working on this for no progress and to send a letter to Attorney Bill Nordeen to pick up the complaint. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner Hill. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Lehrke, Patrick, Krause. NO: none. Absent: McPhee

Public Comment:

Judy St.Louis-Scott thanked the board for their service.

Approval of Bills/Budget Amendments:

The board reviewed the regular bills for approval in the amount of \$7,779.59. It was moved by Commissioner Hill second by Commissioner Krause to approve the bills. Roll Call: YES: Krause, Lehrke, Patrick, Hill. NO: none. Absent: McPhee (bills attached)

The board reviewed the manual bills for approval in the amount of \$22,023.04. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the manual bills. Roll Call: YES: Krause, Lehrke, Patrick, Hill. NO: none. Absent: McPhee (bills attached)

The board reviewed the additional bills for approval in the amount of \$30,366.99. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Hill to approve the additional bills. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Lehrke, Krause, Hill. NO: none. Absent: McPhee (bills attached)

The board reviewed budget amendments #2022-38-43. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second my Commissioner Patrick to approve the budget amendments. Roll Call: YES: Lehrke, Hill, Patrick, Krause. NO: none. Absent: McPhee (amendment attached)

Communications:

Bureau of Indian Affairs notice of land acquisition, November Animal Shelter report.

Adjournment: Chair Lehrke adjourned the meeting at 5:40.

Hillary Vowell
County Clerk