

MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday November 1, 2022

The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners held a special meeting on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 in the Courthouse Annex Boardroom, 100 S. Marley St., St. Ignace, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lehrke at 12:00 pm.

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

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

Agenda Approval – agenda approved as presented.

Public Comment: Treasurer Goudreau told the board she was disappointed that this tentative agreement was not approved at the regular board meeting on October 27, 2022. She felt it was not a good use of tax payers money to have another meeting when it could have been approved earlier.

Sue Cameron- AFSCME Union Representative also stated she was not happy that it wasn't approved at the regular board meeting since there was already a tentative agreement.

New Business: The board reviewed the contract and had discussion. Commissioner Hill said all the employees were treated very well during the Covid shut down and there were no cutbacks when other counties were laying off and cutting benefits. He said there should be no bonuses or premium pay for the employees.

Commissioner Patrick mentioned that the \$4000 bonus in the tentative agreement was coming out of ARPA funds and not the general fund. Commissioner Krause was concerned it was coming out of the general fund and would further put the county in deficit. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the AFSCME Union contract as presented; the bonus would come out of ARPA funds and the Probate/District court employees would receive the same bonus as well. And this will be the last employee bonuses out of the ARPA funds. Roll Call: YES: Patrick, Lehrke, McPhee, Krause. NO: Hill.

Additional Board Member Business: Board discussed meeting with Equalization Director Mike Gillett to discuss some issues regarding office hours and attendance. Clerk Vowell and Chair Lehrke will draft a letter to schedule a meeting.

Public Comment: Jolene Larsen thanked the board for approving the contract as well as Sue Cameron.

Adjournment – Chair Lehrke adjourned the meeting at 12:26 pm.

Hillary Vowell
County Clerk