

MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, November 30, 2017

The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, November 30, 2017 in the County Annex Building, Board Room, 100 S. Marley St. St. Ignace, MI.

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

Roll Call: Bucky McPhee, Dan Litzner, Diane Patrick, Paul Krause
Absent: Jim Hill

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

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

Approval of Minutes – It was moved by Commissioner McPhee with support by Commissioner Krause to approve the minutes of November 9, 2017. VVMC

Public Comment – None

Business:

Survey & Remonumentation Transfer – Becky Paul presented a letter to the board requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$35,241.00 from the county general fund to the remonumentation fund to cover the grant until the funding is received in February 2018. It was moved by Commissioner Litzner with support by Commissioner McPhee to approve the transfer of \$35,241.00 to the remonumentation fund. VVMC (letter attached).

Elected/Non-elected Salary Resolution – The board reviewed the amended Elected and Non-elected Salary Resolutions for 2018. After a brief discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Litzner with support by Commissioner McPhee to approve the amended Elected Officials Salary Resolution. Roll Call: YES: McPhee, Litzner, Patrick, Krause NO: none; ABSENT: Hill. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the amended Non-elected Salary Resolution. Roll Call: YES: McPhee, Litzner, Patrick, Krause NO: none; ABSENT: Hill. (resolutions attached).

Request to Opt out of PA152 – The board reviewed a letter from the Health Insurance Committee requesting that the county cover the hard cap amounts for 2018 in the amount of \$6,510.48. After a brief discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Krause with support by Commissioner McPhee to Opt out of PA152 and pay the hard cap amounts for the employees for 2018 in the

amount of \$6,510.48. Roll Call: YES: McPhee, Litzner, Patrick, Krause NO: none; ABSENT: Hill. (letter attached).

Elected Officials/Staff Reports:

Probate Court Judge Graham – Judge Graham requested a step increase for Juvenile Recorder Susan Bigger from pay grade 8 step hire to pay grade 8 step 3. The board tabled the request.

Equalization Director Chipman – Director Chipman informed the board that the Apportionment Report has been amended to adjust for Bois Blanc Pines Schools Local School Operating mil. (report attached).

Sheriff Strait – Sheriff Strait informed the board that the MI Training Grant was approved in the amount of \$11,000.00 to reimburse the county for the cost of training officers. Sheriff Strait discussed staffing, the 911 and Emergency Services symposium on December 13, DNR Education Fund, ORV reimbursement in the amount of \$24,200.00, Federal Forest Patrol and jail population and maintenance issues.

County Clerk Johnston – Clerk Johnston read the resolutions for Ginger Valentine and Anne Ottaway. It was moved by Commissioner Krause with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the resolutions. VVMC (resolutions attached).

Clerk Johnston informed the board that the Superior Watershed Partnership sent a letter requesting a county liaison to help finalize the energy plan for the Upper Peninsula. It was moved by Commissioner Krause with support by Commissioner Patrick to appoint Commissioner Hill. VVMC (letter attached).

Additional Board Member Business: The board discussed the following with no action taken; Garfield Township letter, Mackinac Economic Alliance report and the grant for the Top of the Lakes Snowmobile Museum.

Public Comment: Animal Shelter worker Tina Newsome questioned the board on the appointment of a Manager at the shelter after current manager, Ginger Valentine, retires. The board tabled until their next meeting.

Jeff Erskine informed the board of an issue he has been having for the last couple of years with an individual “squealing out” in front of his home and loud exhaust and said the prosecutor would not prosecute. Sheriff Strait and Undersheriff Wilk are aware of the problem and are working to resolve the issue.

Approval of Bills/Budget Amendments:

The board reviewed the bills for approval in the amount of \$99,139.73 and the manual bills in the amount of \$154,737.10. It was moved by Commissioner

McPhee with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the bills. Roll Call: YES: McPhee, Litzner, Patrick, Krause; NO: none; ABSENT: Hill. (Bills attached)

The board reviewed the additional bills in the amount of \$3,526.08. It was moved by Commissioner Krause with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the additional bills. Roll Call: YES: McPhee, Litzner, Patrick, Krause; NO: None; ABSENT: Hill. (additional bills list attached)

The board reviewed Budget Amendments #17-24. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee with support by Commissioner Litzner to approve the Budget Amendment for Department 431. Roll Call: YES: McPhee, Litzner, Patrick, Krause NO: none; ABSENT: Hill. (amendments attached).

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Lori Johnston
Mackinac County Clerk