

**MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS**  
**Thursday, October 8, 2020**

The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2020 in the Circuit Courtroom, 100 S, Marley St., St. Ignace, Michigan.

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

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

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

**Agenda Approval** – It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Litzner to accept the agenda. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None

**Approval of Minutes** – It was moved by Commissioner Litzner second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the minutes of September 24, 2020. Roll Call: YES: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None

**Public Comment:** None

**Elected Officials/Staff Reports:**

**Equalization Director Chipman** discussed plat books and received approval from the board to add an additional \$500 to the cost to include emergency locator signs.

**Undersheriff Wilk** discussed leased vehicles.

**Emergency Director Kasper** gave a COVID update and discussed Title III monies, roof repair for the fire hall generator, and the trail book and signs.

**Director Erin Carter** gave an MSU Extension update.

**New Business:**

**Review and Approval of AFSCME Union Contract** – The board reviewed the Ratification Summary for the AFSCME union contract for the period of January 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2023. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner Krause to accept the contract. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None (Summary attached)

**Airport MDOT Resolution/Contract Approval** – The board discussed the MDOT contract for a Federal/State/Local Airport project to install apron

lighting-construction. It was moved by Commissioner McPhee second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the contract. (Contract attached)  
The board reviewed the Resolution for the Authorization of Mackinac County Treasurer Signature on Project #B-26-0089-2617 to construct taxiway-west connector; install apron lighting-Design. It was moved by Commissioner Litzner second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the Resolution. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None (Resolution attached)

**MIDC FY21 Grant Contract** – The board reviewed the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission grant contract for fiscal year 2021. The grant contract was tabled with no action taken.

**Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board Appointment** – The board reviewed a letter from Dean Reid, Brownfield Authority Chair, requesting the appointment of Chris Byrnes to the Brownfield Authority Board. It was moved by Commissioner Litzner second by Commissioner Krause to approve the appointment. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None (Letter attached)

**Old Business:** None

**Additional Board Member Business:** Commissioner McPhee informed the board that the Veteran monument needs repair and Winberg Masonry can do the repairs for a cost of \$2,400. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Litzner to hire Winberg Masonry to repair the monument at a cost of \$2,400. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None

Commissioner McPhee informed the board that a 6 ft. x 26 ft. section of the sidewalk at the west end of the courthouse needed to be replaced. Winberg Masonry can repair the sidewalk for a cost of \$4,950. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner McPhee to hire Winberg Masonry to replace the sidewalk at a cost of \$4,950. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None

The board discussed the need for a snowblower for the courthouse grounds.

Commissioner McPhee discussed the opening of the U.P. Veteran Memorial Museum in Escanaba.

Commissioner Krause discussed the need for housing for the new Veteran Affairs Officer.

Chair Hill informed the board that the Veterans Affairs Board has agreed to cover the attorney fees that they have incurred.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Public Comment:**

**Approval of Bills/Budget Amendments:** The board reviewed the bills for approval in the amount of \$49,426.83. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner McPhee to approve the bills. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None (Bills attached)

The board reviewed the manual bills in the amount of \$59,344.36. It was moved by Commissioner Krause second by Commissioner Patrick to approve the bills. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None (Bills attached)

The board reviewed the additional bills in the amount of \$575.10. It was moved by Commissioner Patrick second by Commissioner Krause to approve the additional bills. Roll Call: Yes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick; NO: None; Absent: None (Bills attached)

**Communications:** The board reviewed the Menominee County Resolution, MSU October Updates, and email from Consumers Energy Straits Project. (Communications attached)

**Adjournment** – Chair Hill adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Lori Johnston  
County Clerk