

# REMONUMENTATION COMMITTEE

December 20, 2010

Courthouse Jury Room

4:00 PM

**Present:** Commissioner James Furlong, Peggy Schroud, Darryl Moilanen, Tom Lesperance, Cindy Payne  
**Others:** Bill Lenca, Remonumentation Representative; Jeff Lenca; Brian Bousley, County Administrator & Sherry Smith, Administrative Assistant  
**Absent:** Dan Hass, Steve Wery, Roger Freis

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**Approval of Agenda** - Moved by Peggy Schroud, seconded by James Furlong to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Previous Minutes** - Moved by James Furlong, seconded by Darrell Moilanen to approve minutes from December 18, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment** - none

**2010 Work Progress Report:** Bill Lenca handed out progress for the 2010 grant year. Cedarville Township we did 59 corners. Meyer Township we completed 62 corners and we had additional money left so we did 33 corners in Faithorn Township, 7 corners in Gourley Township, 8 corners in 39/27 (township/range) and a couple of corners on 35/26 for a total of 171 corners. 36/25 is complete. 38/27 is complete except within the Hermansville lake. Throughout the county we're at 75% complete with the remonumentation project. We're getting to remote areas where there are not a lot of roads. Cindy Payne – Just so everyone knows, in the Register of Deeds office, all of the land corners are now on line and available to view by map, town and range and by corner codes. You can come in anytime and search and they're all there from the beginning of time. You can search at [www.menomineecounty.com](http://www.menomineecounty.com) Peggy asked will she be getting an update. Bill answers yes; Meyer Township and 36/25 are complete. Lenca: All of these corners are done with Global Positioning Equipment (GPS)

**2011 Grant Application:** Lenca: Everyone received the Updated grant application. It's just the state funded grant at \$53,220. Originally in the agenda for the 2011 Grant Application, we had \$11,623.62 of county funds listed to be transferred over from the 2010 Grant year. At this point we don't know if the County will allow us to use the remaining county appropriated funds, so we've changed the grant application. If the board chooses to allow the transfer of funds, we can amend the grant application at that time. The work area we'll do is 42 corners in Faithorn Township, and 31 corners in Cedarville Township. Bill has a print out of estimated costs of corners per counties in MI. In 2007, Menominee County was at \$430.41 per corner. Lesperance: Is everyone using GPS? Lenca: I would say almost everyone is, they almost have to be. Technology is important to keep up with. Bousley: How do you pick the corners you'll work on? Lenca: We just pick them based on what's still left out there to do. What about the areas around Hayward Lake? Lenca: We may be able to do some of those this winter with the ground is frozen. It's tough to get into some areas at certain times of the year. Furlong: \$53,000 was allocated from the State. Does that coincide the amount of money you get from the state? We take the total grant and find out how much will be allocated by the number of corners. We take the total number of corners we can do and multiply the cost per corner. Memorandum No. 16 was discussed on how the State is changing the way it reimburses the counties. In order to be paid for posts, caps, rebars, and other expense items, I may need to add these items to the cost of the corner. I currently don't charge by the corner, I've been charging per hour for the past seventeen years and these items are added in the misc. costs within the grant. That may need to change. Furlong: Why is there so much left over from last year, \$11,000? Lenca: we got a \$52,000 grant from the state and I put \$37,000 of county money into that \$90,000. I thought those \$ left over could be used this year. We could get matching funds from the state for adding county funds (80% two years later). This still needs County Board approval.

**2011 Work Areas:** Lenca talks about Memorandum No. 16 and the changes to come in 2011 and beyond. I've asked a lot of questions and am satisfied with the answers I've gotten. The only thing they're changing is the way things are itemized. They don't have personnel to go through all of the receipts. We'll have to come up with a way to invoice per corner to include hourly costs and equipment. We received a fax to repeal the memorandum no. 16. No negative comments were received at first...now when they want to go forward...there is some negativity brought out.

**Bousley:** We need a motion to accept the grant application, Peggy Schroud moves, supported by James Furlong to accept the 2011 Grant Application. All members concur.

**Correspondence:** Resolution received via fax in the Courthouse, to withdrawal Memorandum No. 16. **Smith:** Is this something we should have the County Board pass? It sounds like the memo. may be removed. **Lenca:** personally I don't have a huge problem with the changes. I'll just include the costs of equipment in the cost per corner. But the board can pass a similar resolution.

**Any Other Items:** **Furlong:** So now we just get the application signed and mailed to the State by the 29<sup>th</sup> of Dec.? **Lenca:** The sooner we get it to them, the sooner we get our 40% start up money.

**Public Comment:** None

Moved by James Furlong, seconded by Darrell Moilanen to adjourn the meeting at 4:37 PM. Motion carried unanimously.