

October 27, 2015

APPROVED on 11/10/15

Proceedings of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Menominee and the State of Michigan were held at the Harris Township Hall, Wilson, Michigan.

Chairman Meintz called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A call of the roll indicated that the following Commissioners were present/absent:

Present: Com. Cech, Furlong, Hafeman, Lang, Meintz, Nelson, Schei and Williams.

Absent: Com. Piche (excused).

Chairman Meintz stated that the agenda will need to be amended under Action Item #8. Instead of stating “the amount of \$49,078.83 be paid to the Menominee County Road Commission” it should state “the amount of \$49,078.83 be paid to Menominee Township”

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Williams to amend the agenda under Action Item #8. The motion should read: “invoice #3 WFP – 008 in the amount of \$49,078.83 be paid to Menominee Township for work done within the 3-way road project for Menominee Township. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Williams to approve the agenda as amended. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2015 Regular County Board Meeting. Motion was approved 8-0.

Public Comment:

- Gary Eichhorn – Commented on the wage increase of 3.25% to the elected officials. He does not agree with this and doesn't think it should be approved.

Presentations: None.

Department Head/Elected Officials Reports:

- Diane Lesperance – Menominee County Treasurer – Commented that the commissioners have her Financial Report in their packet. If they have any questions she is here to answer them.
- Brian Bousley – Menominee County Administrator – Updated the board on a few items. The county is receiving 7 new AEDs from the EMS grant. There were no bids received for the Stoney Point project. Brian is going to extend the bidding a week. A second vendor came in to give us a price on replacing the courthouse windows. The bids will also be going out this week for the Vestibule Project. Also, the Dog Ordinance is completed but it is being looked at by the legal department.

Action Items:

Moved by Com. Schei, seconded by Com. Williams to approve the Twin County Airport Manager position description as recommended by the Airport Committee. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Williams, seconded by Com. Schei to approve Twin County Airport Maintenance/Lineman position description as recommended by the Airport Committee. Discussion ensued. Com. Lang noted that there is a typo on page 11 and the word “gut” should be “but”. The typo was noted and will be corrected. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Cech to approve the DMG recommendation as approved by the Personnel Committee for the Accounting & Finance Administrator/Office Coordinator position in the office of the County Treasurer as a pay grade 9. Discussion ensued. Com. Nelson asked what the added cost of this increase would be and why this did not go to the Finance Committee for approval. The cost would be \$1,700.32. Com. Meintz commented about the union contract stating that this needs to take place in the next FY budget and can't take place now. It was also stated that the motion did not contain a start date of the pay increase.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Lang to amend the original motion to add that the “effective October 28, 2015”. Motion was approved by a roll call vote 5-3. Com. Hafeman, Meintz & Nelson voted nay.

The amended motion to approve the DMG recommendation as approved by the Personnel Committee for the Accounting & Finance Administrator/Office Coordinator position in the office of the County Treasurer as a pay grade 9 effective October 28, 2015 was approved by a roll call vote 5-3. Com. Hafeman, Meintz & Nelson voted nay.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Cech to approve the DMG recommendation as approved by the Personnel Committee for the Tax/Foreclosure and Principal Residence Exemption Specialist/Office Manager position in the office of the County Treasurer as a pay grade 9. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Cech to amend the original motion to add that the “effective October 28, 2015”. Motion was approved by a roll call vote 5-3. Com. Hafeman, Meintz & Nelson voted nay.

The amended motion to approve the DMG recommendation as approved by the Personnel Committee for the Tax/Foreclosure and Principal Residence Exemption Specialist/Office Manager position in the office of the County Treasurer as a pay grade 9 effective October 28, 2015 was approved by a roll call vote 5-3. Com. Hafeman, Meintz & Nelson voted nay.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Cech to approve the elected official salaries as recommended by the Personnel Committee, with a 3.25% increase beginning 1/1/2016.

Clerk/ROD - \$57,762; Treasurer - \$54,876; Sheriff - \$65,000; Prosecuting Attorney - \$96,752; Board Chairman - \$4,646; Board Members - \$4,130; Drain Commissioner - \$516

Discussion ensued. Com. Hafeman commented that the other employees only received a 2% raise. Com. Nelson commented about the social security cost of living did not increase for those people receiving social security. Com. Furlong discussed what happened at the Personnel Committee Meeting and the need to increase the Sheriff’s salary so that it was higher than the Undersheriff’s salary. That is why they chose to go with the 3.25% increase instead of the 2% increase. Motion was approved by a roll call vote 5-3. Com. Hafeman, Meintz & Nelson voted nay.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Hafeman, to approve a quote from BS&A Software in the amount of \$86,445 for software applications within the courthouse and a quote from UES Computers in the amount of \$18,090 for a new server to be used for the addition of the BS&A software change over. (Total \$104,535). With a possibility of additional funds needed for cash receipting hardware. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve the Menominee County General Appropriations Act – 2015/16 as amended. Motion was approved 8-0. (Attachment A)

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve invoice #3WFP – 008 in the amount of \$49,078.83 be paid to Menominee Township for work done within the 3-way road project for Menominee Township. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Nelson to approve invoice #3WFP – 009 in the amount of \$14,802.54 be paid to the M.C. Road Commission for work done within the 3-way road project for Gourley Township. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Cech to approve invoice #3WFP – 010 in the amount of \$19,667.10 be paid to the M.C. Road Commission for work done within the 3-way road project for Daggett Township. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Schei, seconded by Com. Furlong to rescind the Twin County Airport work rules/policies as approved on 7.17.2012. Airport employees will now fall under the Menominee County Personnel Manual. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve the 2015 Menominee County Apportionment report as submitted by Equalization Director Peggy Schroud. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Cech to approve commissioner per diems as recently submitted. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Furlong to approve miscellaneous bills as paid on September 23, 24, 28, 30 & October 8, 2015 in the combined amount of \$347,838.92. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Williams, seconded by Com. Cech to place miscellaneous boards/committees/commission reports on file in the office of the County Clerk. Motion was approved 8-0.

New Business (discussion only)

Personnel Items:

- a. Building Code Services Contract. – Brian explained that our building code inspector is contracted through Delta County. We are expecting to share another three years with Delta County. A contract for this is enclosed in the board packet. Delta County would also like us to share in the cost of a new vehicle for the building code department. The fund balance allows for this. Brian further explained that the three year contract calls for quarterly payments to Delta County in the amount of \$4,250. Plus, Menominee County agrees to reimburse Delta County for one-half of the purchase price of a truck (up to \$15,000) to be selected and purchased by Delta County. Delta County will provide the insurance and maintenance of the truck. Menominee County will share in the fuel cost. Discussion ensued regarding how the fuel cost will be determined. Brian said that Dan Menacher, the building inspector, will track his miles worked for Delta County and Menominee County. Dan Menacher will not only be driving this vehicle for work, but also to and from work. The consensus of the board is that they do not want to pay for the fuel cost incurred while Dan drives to and from work, only while working. Brian would like to take the truck that Dan currently uses for working while in Menominee County and move that out to the parks if we agree to this contract. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for approval.

Building and Grounds/Parks Items:

- a. None.

Miscellaneous Items:

- a. Menominee County Bylaw changes. – Brian explained that the Executive Committee met on October 21, 2015 to discuss some changes within the County Bylaws. The committee agreed on the revisions enclosed in the board packet. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for approval.

Finance Items:

- a. Commissioner Per Diems and expenses. - The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for approval.
- b. Miscellaneous bills as paid on October 12, 20 & 21, 2015 in the combined amount of \$99,662.16. – Com. Hafeman asked about the Voice Logger for 911. Brian explained that it was previously approved and part of it was paid for from a Hannahville Grant.

Misc. Boards/Committees/Commissions Reports:

The consensus of the board is to move this item forward for approval at the next meeting.

Public Comment: None.

Commissioner Comment:

- Com. Hafeman – Thanked Diane Lesperance for the quarterly reports.
- Com. Meintz – Commented that it was a good meeting tonight, and that the commissioners don't always agree.
- Com. Cech – Commented that the board made good progress tonight.
- Com. Furlong – Commented that there were good debates tonight.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Hafeman to adjourn at 7:17 p.m.
Motion was approved 8-0.

Charlie Meintz, Chairman

Marc Kleiman, County Clerk