

November 26, 2019

APPROVED 12/10/19

Proceedings of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Menominee and the State of Michigan were held in Courtroom B, Courthouse, Menominee, Michigan.

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

Chairman Piche asked for a moment to silence for those who have served to protect our freedom.

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

Present: Commissioners: William Cech, Steven Gromala, Jan Hafeman, Bernie Lang, Larry Phelps, Gerald Piche, and Larry Schei.

Absent: Commissioners: Larry Johnson Jr. and David Prestin (excused).

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Gromala to approve the agenda. Motion was approved 7-0.

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2019 Regular County Board Meeting and Apportionment Meeting. Motion was approved 7-0.

Public Comment:

- Charlene Peterson – Commented on behalf of the MTA. December 7th is the annual MTA Christmas Meeting. Welcomed all Commissioners to attend.

Presentations: None.

Department Head/Elected Officials Reports:

- Jason Carviou, County Administrator – Gave Administrator's Report with updates and announcements.

Action Items:

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve Resolution 2019-23 *Honoring County Treasurer – Diane Lesperance*. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0. (Attachment A)

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve Resolution 2019-21 *Resolution Authorizing Millage for Menominee County 911 and Central Dispatch and Certifying Ballot Language* as recommended by the Finance Committee. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0. (Attachment B)

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve Resolution 2019-22 *Resolution Authorizing Millage for the Menominee County Library System and Certifying Ballot Language* as recommended by the Finance Committee. Motion was approved 7-0. (Attachment C)

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Gromala to approve 2019/2020 Budget Amendments – Group #1 as recommended by the Finance Committee. Motion was approved 7-0.

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Gromala to approve scheduling “Airport Days” at the Menominee Regional Airport on August 16, 2020 as recommended by the Airport Committee. Motion was approved 7-0.

Moved by Com. Gromala, seconded by Com. Schei to approve Resolution 2019-24 *Resolution Designating the Menominee Regional Airport Fund Balances* as recommended by the Airport Committee. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0. (Attachment D)

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Schei to approve Resolution of the Menominee Regional Airport making changes to the business credit card used by the Menominee Regional Airport, adding/removing authorized users, and increasing the credit limit up to \$5,000.00. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Lang to approve supporting the possible relocation of the Menominee County Fair. (Motion signifies support NOT permission). Motion was approved 7-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve Commissioner per diems and expenses as recently submitted and paid. Motion was approved 7-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Gromala to approve miscellaneous bills paid on October 18, 23, 31 & November 6 and 7, 2019 in the combined amount of \$127,963.91. Motion was approved 7-0.

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve miscellaneous boards/committees/commission reports on file in the office of the County Clerk. Motion was approved 7-0.

New Business (discussion only)

Personnel Items:

- a. Prosecuting Attorney – Administrative Overtime. – The County Board approved \$20,000 for assistance in catching up with the backlog of cases in the Prosecuting Attorney’s Office. To date, \$4,162.50 has been spent leaving \$15,837.50 remaining. The Prosecuting Attorney has stated he no longer needs the services of the contract attorney; however, would like the Board to approve spending some of the money on administrative overtime to handle the cases in the next step of prosecuting or dismissing the cases.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to make the approval of allowing the Prosecuting Attorney to use money that was approved for the backlog of cases for administrative overtime to an action item at this meeting. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to allow the Menominee County Prosecutor to carry over \$2,500 from the approved money from the 2018/2019 Budget for the backlog of cases for administrative overtime. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Building and Grounds/Parks Items:

- a. Snow Removal/Snow Removal Equipment Bids. – We received quotes from three vendors (an additional quote was received but after the deadline) for tractors & attachments for snow removal equipment for the Buildings & Grounds Department. Administrator Carviou also presented the board with quotes from local companies for snow removal. There is \$40,000 in the 2019/2020 Budget for snow removal equipment. Com. Schei and Com. Phelps spoke about the equipment that they inspected and their recommendation that the County purchase the Kubota from Beaver Machine Inc.

Moved by Com. Gromala, seconded by Com. Hafeman to make the approval of purchasing snow removal equipment an action item at this meeting. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Schei to purchase the Kubota L3560LE (with loader and snowblower) from Beaver Machine Inc. for the price of \$42,746.00. Motion was approved by roll call vote 7-0.

- b. Parks Use Ordinance. – The Parks Use Ordinance has undergone a second review by the Parks Committee and Administration. There have been a few more indicated changes in red. This is to provide another review for the County Board and discussion. Next Step: send to the Prosecuting Attorney for Review.

Miscellaneous Items:

- a. UES – Router Quote. – The LEIN audit identified that the County’s routers are non-compliant with LEIN standards. The quote in amount of \$24,438.00 was provided by UES for routers that have the proper security certificates. This project was not budgeted specifically in the 2019/2020 Budget. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for a vote.
- b. Bagley Radio Tower. – We received a letter back from the Road Commission advising the Bagley Tower could be conveyed to Menominee County with a quit claim deed – this would include the existing tower, land and buildings. The County also received recommendations from the Menominee County Fire Chiefs Association and 911 Governing Board to continue with the current VHF radio system – which would require replacing the Bagley Tower. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for a vote.

Finance Items:

- a. Coleman Engineering – GIS Hosting Invoice. – Review 2020 GIS Web Hosting Proposal in the amount of \$6,000. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for a vote.
- b. Commissioner Per Diems and Expenses. – The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for approval.
- c. Miscellaneous bills paid on November 14, 2019 in the combined amount of

\$141,336.22. The consensus is to move this item forward for approval at the next meeting.

Misc. Boards/Committees/Commissions Reports:

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

Public Comment:

- Jim Mekash – Commented and thanked the board on approval of purchasing the new snow removal equipment.
- Eric Tickler – Commented and thanked the board for supporting the possibly moving the Menominee County Fair.
- Charlene Peterson – Commented on the use of drones in the parks.
- Diane Lesperance – Commented on selling the old tractor used for snow removal.

Commissioner Comment:

- Com. Schei – Commented on that he wanted to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
- Com. Gromala – Commented on the length of the meeting and economic development in Menominee County.
- Com. Cech – Commented on Diane Lesperance and how much she will be missed and Happy Thanksgiving.
- Com. Piche – Commented on the snow removal.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. Motion was approved 7-0.

Gerald Piche, Chairman

Marc Kleiman, County Clerk