

December 23, 2014

APPROVED on 1/5/15

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 Lake Township Hall, Stephenson, 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: Coms. Furlong, Krienke, Lang, Meintz, Piche, and Schei.

Absent: Com. Hafeman, Nelson, and Plutchak (excused).

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Schei to approve the agenda. Motion was approved 6-0.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Piche to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2014 Regular County Board Meeting. Motion was approved 6-0.

Public Comment: None.

Presentations: None.

Department Head/Elected Officials Reports:

- Brian Bousley informed the board that he is advertising for miscellaneous board and committee positions. Applications are due back by January 15, 2015. Also, 3 Way Road letters have gone out and payments are due by February 23, 2015.

Action Items:

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Piche to approve the 2015 Parks Concessionaire Agreement. Motion was approved 6-0.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Schei to approve the 2015 Shakey Lakes and Kleinke Park lease agreements. Motion was approved 6-0.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Schei to approve Resolution 2014-17 ~ Compliance with PA 152 of 2011. Discussion ensued. Com. Lang does not feel that the County Board should require the employees to pay 20% of their health insurance. Motion was approved 5-1. Com. Lang voted nay. (Attachment A)

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Piche to approve Commissioner Per Diems and expenses as recently submitted. Motion was approved 6-0.

Moved by Com. Schei, seconded by Com. Furlong to approve miscellaneous bills as paid on December 4, 2014 in the amount of \$65,339.05. Motion was approved 6-0.

Moved by Com. Furlong, seconded by Com. Meintz to place miscellaneous boards/committees/commission reports on file in the office of the County Clerk. Motion was approved 6-0.

New Business (discussion only)

Personnel Items:

- a. None.

Building and Grounds/Parks Items:

- a. None.

Miscellaneous Items:

- a. Menominee County E-911 Governing Board Resolution. – Brian read the resolution recently passed by the E-911 Governing Board. The resolution is asking the Menominee County Board to lift hiring freeze that is currently in place so positions at 911 can be filled. Brian was asked where we currently sit with contract negotiations. Brian explained that negotiations are heading to mediation on January 7th. Com. Meintz stated that he does not feel that the hiring freeze should be lifted while we are in the middle of contract negotiations. Com. Piche stated that he agreed with Com. Meintz. The consensus of the board is not to do anything about the hiring freeze at this time.

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 December 18, 2014 in the amount of \$85,871.77. – Com. Schei stated that Com. Hafeman wanted him to ask about the AT&T bills. Brian explained that the majority of changes have been made, but we will still see a few bills from AT&T because the Sheriff's Department has not switched over. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for approval.

Misc. Boards/Committees/Commissions Reports:

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

Chairman Meintz called for public comment

Public Comment:

- Charlene Peterson – Thanked the board for coming to Lake Township and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- County Clerk Marc Kleiman – Reminded everyone of the Reorganizational Meeting to be held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Regular County Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner Comment:

- Com. Meintz – Thanked all board members for their services, especially those board members who will not be returning. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He also stated that he is very proud of what the board has accomplished in the past two years. Additionally he brought the rest of the board up to date with what recently happened at the Airport Commission.
- Com. Furlong – Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Com. Krienke – Thanked everyone for the privilege of serving on the board. He also commended Com. Meintz on his stand at the Airport Commission.
- Com. Schei – Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. He thanked the public and supports Com. Meintz and his actions at the Airport Commission.
- Com. Piche – Commented about a Christmas card he received today and the beautiful picture of the bay on it. He also wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Moved by Com. Piche, seconded by Com. Meintz to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. Motion was approved 6-0.

Charlie Meintz, Chairman

Marc Kleiman, County Clerk