

January 5, 2015

APPROVED on 1/27/15

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

Chairman Meintz called the meeting to order at 6:03 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, Piche, Schei and Williams.

**Absent:** None.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Schei to approve the agenda. Discussion ensued. Administrator Brian Bousley is not present at the meeting tonight so Action Items N and O regarding Closed Session need to be removed from the agenda.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Williams to amend the agenda and remove Action Items N and O regarding Closed Session. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Schei to approve the agenda as amended. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Schei to approve the minutes from the December 23, 2014 Regular County Board Meeting. Motion was approved 9-0.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Presentations:** None.

**Department Head/Elected Officials Reports:**

- County Sheriff Kenny Marks discussed bullying and how it affects children and adults.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Piche to approve payment of Commissioner Per Diems and expenses as recently submitted. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve miscellaneous bills as paid on December 18, 2014 in the combined amount of \$85,871.77. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Nelson to place miscellaneous boards/committees/commission reports on file in the office of the County Clerk. Motion was approved 9-0.

**New Business (discussion only)**

**Personnel Items:**

- a. None.

**Building and Grounds/Parks Items:**

- a. None.

**Miscellaneous Items:**

- a. Resolution 2015~1 Clean Water Act Proposed Rule for Definition of Waters of The U.S. – Com. Meintz and Com. Hafeman discussed this resolution. First of all the resolution title will need to be changed to Resolution 2015 ~ 4. Second, some typos and minor wording changes were made. It was explained that the EPA is looking to gain more control over anything they deem to be a waterway. Other counties are passing similar resolutions. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward for approval at the next meeting with the corrections.

**Finance Items:**

- a. Commissioner Per Diems and expenses – Com. Furlong stated that he does not see his Per Diems in the packet, only his mileage. Administrative Assistant Sherry DuPont stated that she has it in the original packet. It may have gotten left out when the packet was scanned in. She will make sure that it is included for the next meeting when they are approved. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward for approval at the next meeting.
- b. Miscellaneous bills as paid on December 22, 2014 in the amount of \$12,358.55. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward for approval at the next meeting.

**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:**

- Greg Paulson – Commented on Sheriff Kenny Marks discussion of bullying and he supports his stance.

**Commissioner Comment:**

- Com. Hafeman – Welcomed the new commissioners to the board. She also updated the board on the December UPCAP meeting. There will be a Statewide ballot proposal in May to increase the sales tax by 1%, HB 4237, FOIA changes and Dark store legislation. She further stated that her husband Bill is doing well after surgery and wished everyone a Happy New Year.
- Com. Piche – Commented that he spoke with Sheriff Marks before the meeting and he supports his comments. In addition he read the board a nice little piece about Norman Rockwell.
- Com. Schei – Welcomed the new commissioners and commented that there is a draft coming in by the window on his side of the courtroom that they will have to address in the Building and Grounds Committee.
- Com. Cech – Commented that he is happy to be part of this board and he is looking forward to working with the rest of the commissioners.
- Com. Williams – Commented that he is looking forward to working with the rest of the board.
- Com. Meintz – Thanked the commissioners for electing him as Chairman. He will work hard to lead the board. He believes that there will be times that the board does not agree with each other, but he believes they will be able to work well together.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Williams to adjourn at 6:34 p.m.  
Motion was approved 9-0.

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Charlie Meintz, Chairman

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Marc Kleiman, County Clerk