

June 23, 2020

APPROVED on 7/14/20

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. In addition, public participation was allowed through Cisco Webex Meetings.

Chairman Piche called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Absent: Commissioners: None.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to amend the agenda by adding under New Business, Miscellaneous Items a. (Resolution 2020-21~ Resolution in Support of the 2020 Upper Peninsula State Fair) and moving down items a and b to b and c. Motion was approved 9-0.

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

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2020 Regular County Board Meeting and Equalization Meeting. Motion was approved 9-0.

Public Comment: None.

Presentations: None.

Department Head/Elected Officials Reports:

- Honorable Robert Jamo, 95A District Court – Gave an update on the position that he is asking to be approved for in his office.
- Jason Carviou, County Administrator – Gave Administrator’s Report with updates and announcements.

Action Items:

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Johnson Jr. to approve funding for the Court Reporter/Judicial Assistant in District Court, to approve the position’s job description, and to begin funding upon approval by the County Board as recommended

by the Personnel Committee. Also, authorizing Judge Jamo to start the position at a grade 3 if he feels appropriate. Motion was approved by 9-0.

Moved by Com. Johnson Jr., seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve funding a Limited Term Employee (LTE) Legal Secretary position in the Prosecuting Attorney's Office for 15 weeks at a rate of \$15/hour in an amount not to exceed \$9,738.90 as recommended by the Personnel Committee. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Cech, seconded by Com. Schei to approve renewing a commercial operating agreement with M&M Aviation, LLC to provide maintenance service as the Menominee Regional Airport as recommended by the Airport Committee. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Phelps, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve participating in a Michigan Rehabilitation Services Program that would provide four workers to the Parks Department from July 13 – August 6 (no cost to the County). Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve Commissioner Per Diems and Expenses as paid. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve miscellaneous bills as paid on May 21 & 28 and June 3, 2020 in the combined amount of \$75,410.08. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Johnson Jr. to approve miscellaneous Board/Committee/Commission Reports be placed on file in the Office of the County Clerk. Motion was approved 9-0.

New Business (discussion only)

Personnel Items:

- a. Carry-Over Leave Requests – COVID-19 Related. – Administrator Carviou explained that a few “Essential Personnel” working through the COVID-19 Pandemic have or will soon, lose vacation leave due to their vacation being cancelled because of the need for ALL personnel to be on duty. The consensus of the board is to allow these employees to carry-over their vacation and personal leave that they couldn't use.

Building and Grounds/Parks Items:

- a. 10th Street/10th Avenue – Signage. – Administrator Carviou explained that there have been some complaints that the signs at the corner of 10th and 10th should be removed. Commissioner Gromala suggested that we ask the Historical Society to just remove the sign that says “Closed” on the bottom of the Museum sign. Jason will contact the Historical Society and the Sheriff's Department to discuss their signs.

Miscellaneous Items:

- a. Resolution 2020-21 ~ Resolution in Support of the 2020 Upper Peninsula State Fair. – Administrator Carviou explained the resolution.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Schei to approve making Resolution 2020-21 an action item at this meeting. Motion was approved by a roll call vote 9-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Schei to approve Resolution 2020-21 ~ Resolution in Support of the 2020 Upper Peninsula State Fair. Motion was approved by a roll call vote 9-0. (Attachment A)

- b. Tower Project – Geotechnical Investigation. – Gunnerson Consulting spoke to the County Administrator in reference to what the County now needs to do to move the tower project forward. They need a Geotechnical Investigation done by an Engineer Firm, and have provided a proposal from Coleman Engineering Company.
- c. Tower Project – Site Survey. – Gunnerson Consulting spoke to the County Administrator in reference to what the County now needs to do to move the tower project forward. They need a Boundary Survey done by an Engineer Firm, and have provided a proposal from Coleman Engineering Company. Administrator Carviou discussed that he contacted Lenca Surveying and received an estimate from them of \$1,500 for a survey which would be significantly less than the Coleman Engineering proposal.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to make the approval of a Geotechnical Investigation and Site Survey an action item at this meeting. Motion was approved by roll call vote 9-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve the Geotechnical Investigation be done by Coleman Engineering Company per the proposal provided by Gunnerson Consulting. Motion was approved by roll call vote 9-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve the Site Survey be done by Lenca Surveying per the proposal provided by Administrator Carviou. Motion was approved by roll call vote 9-0.

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 paid on June 9, 10, 16 & 18, 2020 in the combined amount of \$114,480.87. 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 to the next meeting for approval.

Chairman Piche called for public comment

Public Comment: None.

Commissioner Comment

- Com. Cech – Commented on the Bagley Tower project.
- Com. Phelps – Commented that he would like to thank Com. Schei
- Com. Gromala – Commented the he would like to thank Com. Schei
- Com. Schei – Commented that he appreciated their thanks.
- Com. Piche – Commented on the flowers at the fountain coming into Menominee.

Moved by Com. Johnson Jr., seconded by Com. Hafeman to adjourn at 6:14 p.m.
Motion was approved 9-0.

Gerald Piche, Chairman

Marc Kleiman, County Clerk