

July 26, 2011

APPROVED on 8/9/11

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 Nadeau Township Hall, Carney, Michigan.

Chairman Furlong called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Present:** Coms. Furlong, Jasper, Lang, Meintz, Pearson

**Absent:** None

Com. Furlong stated that the motion on agenda item 4 need to be changed to have "Sungard" replaced with "U.P. 911 Authority".

Com. Pearson stated he would like to add item c under New Business Building and Grounds/Parks Items: (Boiler RFP) Also, add item a under New Business Miscellaneous Items: (Three Way Road Program).

Moved by Com. Pearson, seconded by Com. Lang to approve the agenda as amended. Motion was approved 5-0.

Chairman Furlong called for public comment.

**Public Comment:**

-Dennis Morton – In support of the MSU Educator position.

-Carol Quist – In support of the 4H program

-Kandace Curran – Thanked the County Board and volunteer for their support of the Menominee County Fair.

Com. Meintz stated that he would like to see the Public Comment section of the July 12, 2011 County Board Minutes show that those who commented on the MSU Memorandum of Understanding were showing their support for the program.

Moved by Com. Pearson, seconded by Com. Jasper to amend the July 12, 2011 County Board Minutes to reflect the changes Com. Meintz requested. Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Pearson, seconded by Com. Meintz to approve the July 12, 2011 County Board Minutes as amended. Motion was approved 5-0.

**Presentations:** None

**Department Head/Elected Officials Reports:**

-Diane Lesperance – Update – Public Land Auction and Foreclosure Report (PA123). The Land Auction was held on July 19, 2011. All 10 properties were sold for a total profit of \$84,650.

Moved by Com. Lang, seconded by Com. Jasper to ratify the appointment of Ms. Marc Jamo as a Director on the Bay Area Medical Center Board. Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Pearson, seconded by Com. Lang to adopt the amended Board Bylaws, Rules, Policies and Charters of Standing committees as presented at the July 12, 2011 County Board meeting. Discussion ensued, Com. Meintz stated that he was still not in favor of committee members that are appointed by the Menominee County Board being considered volunteers and cannot receive a per diem. Motion was approved 4-1 with Com. Meintz voting nay.

Moved by Com. Meintz, seconded by Com. Pearson to approve Resolution 2011-15 ~ U.P. Area Agency on Aging – FY 2012 Annual Implementation Plan. Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Jasper, seconded by Com. Pearson to approve a cash advance to the U.P. 911 Authority in the amount of \$30,561 for funds necessary to start the building of the CAD databases approved through the (9-1-1) PSIC Grant R8-05. This cash advance will be returned to Menominee County once they have documented the necessary matching funds. Funds to be disbursed from account# 266-325970.00 (E 9-1-1, Capital Outlay). Discussion ensued about the risk of the money not being paid back to Menominee County. Administrator Brian Bousley referenced a letter he received from Jonathan Mead confirming the money would be paid back to Menominee County. Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Lang, seconded by Com. Pearson to approve 2012 County Membership Dues in the amount of \$5,543.46 to Michigan Association of Counties (MAC). Funds to be disbursed from account# 101-103-802.00 (Memberships/Subscriptions). Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Pearson, seconded by Com. Meintz to approve the Agreement for Extension Services provided by Michigan State University for a period five years (10/1/2011 to 9/30/2016). Menominee County will appropriate \$38,209 in FY 2011-2012 to MSU on a quarterly basis, in addition to the budgeted items specific to County Contributions in the agreement. Discussion ensued regarding Dickinson and Delta Counties not going forward with the agreement. It was discussed to put on hold until further information could be gathered. Mike Erdman addressed the board and recommend they approve the agreement. Com. Furlong stated he is in favor of the agreement but feels the board should postpone approving it. Motion was approved 4-1 with Com. Furlong voting nay.

There will be an informational meeting on August 10, 2011 at 9 a.m. at the Island Resort and Casino with Dickinson and Delta Counties. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss shared services regarding the MSU Extension Services. Com. Furlong asked Com. Meintz to attend this meeting. Com. Lang stated that he would also like to attend this meeting.

Moved by Com. Jasper, seconded by Com. Meintz to approve Miscellaneous Bills as paid on June 30, July 1 & 5, 2011 in the amount of \$162,010.37. Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Meintz, seconded by Com. Pearson to approve Commissioner Per Diems and expenses as submitted. Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Lang, seconded by Com. Jasper to place miscellaneous boards/committees/commission reports on file in the office of the County Clerk. Motion was approved 5-0.

Moved by Com. Pearson, seconded by Com. Meintz to go into closed session, for strategy and negotiations of the AFSCME E-911 collective bargaining agreement. (Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Act 267 of 1976, 15.268 Section 8(c)). Individuals to remain in attendance: Administrator Brian Bousley and County Clerk Marc Kleiman. Entered into closed session at 6:27 p.m. Motion was approved by roll call vote 5-0.

Moved by Com. Meintz, seconded by Com. Pearson to return to open session at 7:04 p.m. Motion was approved by roll call vote 5-0.

**New Business (discussion only)**

**Personnel Items:**

- a. None

**Building and Grounds/Parks Items:**

- a. Bids for Snow Removal – Brian would like to go out for two one year bids for snow removal. One for the Courthouse/Jail, one for the Annex/Library. Brian will be seeking a grant for the following year to purchase two snow plows, one for the Annex, one for the Courthouse. Consensus of the board is to allow Brian to go out for bids.
- b. Bids for Pit toilet and Septic Tank cleaning/pumping – This will be a 1 year contract. Consensus of the board is to allow Brian to go out for bids.
- c. Courthouse Boiler RFP – Brian held a mandatory walk through for those interested in bidding on the replacement of the boilers. The advertisement specifically stated the walk through date.. Two companies contacted Brian that were unable to attend and would like to have a walk through. The consensus of the board was not to allow an additional walk through.

**Miscellaneous Items:**

- a. Three Way Road Program – Cedarville Township will not be able to have their check in until August 17<sup>th</sup>, which is after the August 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. The consensus of the board allow them the extension.

**Finance Items:**

- a. Miscellaneous Bills as paid on July 11, 15, 20 & 21, 2011 in the amount of \$128,706.97 – Consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting.

**Misc. Boards/Committees/Commissions Reports:**

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

**Public Comment:**

-Mike Erdman – Thanked the board for approving the MSU agreement. He also encourages the Commissioners to meet with the other counties and ask questions.

-Diane Lesperance – Three Way Road Program, if someone backs out of the program does the allotted money go back to the Road Commission. County Commissioners confirmed this. She also stated that the Work Van workers did a good job maintaining the foreclosed properties.

-Ray Charlier – Asked if there are standards that must be met when the Road Commission is doing road chipping?

**Commissioner Comment:**

-Com. Meintz – would like to thank everyone for their support of the Menominee County Fair.

-Com. Lang – discussed CUPPAD meeting and the Wind Energy Project in Garden, MI.

Moved by Com. Meintz, seconded by Com. Pearson to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. Motion was approved 5-0.

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James Furlong, Chairman

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Marc Kleiman, County Clerk