

May 8, 2018

APPROVED on 5/22/18

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.

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

Present: Commissioners: Steven Gromala, Jan Hafeman, Bernie Lang, Charlie Meintz (6:02 p.m.), John Nelson, Larry Phelps, Gerald Piche, and Larry Schei.

Absent: Commissioner William Cech (excused).

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Schei to remove Action Items N & O from the agenda also add (New Business, Miscellaneous Item b: Sheriff Department washing machine). Motion was approved 7-0.

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

Commissioner Charlie Meintz arrived at the meeting. (6:02 p.m.)

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Cech to approve the minutes from the April 24, 2018 Regular County Board Meeting. Motion was approved 8-0.

Public Comment: None.

Presentations: None.

Department Head/Elected Officials Reports:

- County Administrator Jason Carviou gave an update on the Menominee Business Development Committee strategic planning event, June 28th. MSU Extension Agreement. Equalization Department and GIS mapping update. Jim Mekash is building a handicap accessible ramp for the Probation/Parole office.

Action Items:

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Gromala to approve Resolution 2018-16 ~ To adopt the Monthly 9-1-1 Surcharge Within Menominee County. Motion was approved by roll call vote 8-0. (Attachment A)

Moved by Com. Meintz, seconded by Com. Gromala to approve the 2017/18 MSU Extension Agreement in the amount of \$73,000 for one year. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Phelps to approve a recommendation from the Finance Committee to hire on additional parks seasonal employee for the 2018 summer. Employee not to exceed 780 hours/season. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Gromala, seconded by Com. Hafeman to approve a recommendation from the Finance Committee to increase the Building Code Secretary's hours from 25 hrs. to 30 hrs. per week during the months of May through November 2018. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Lang to approve the Commissioner per diems and expenses. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Schei to approve miscellaneous bills as paid on April 9, 11 and 19, 2018 in the combined amount of \$151,983.55. Motion was approved 9-0.

Moved by Com. Gromala, seconded by Com. Lang to approve 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. Recommendation from MERS to close DB division 17. – After closing the MERS Hybrid Administrator (HA) Division last month, MERS recommends we also close the DB division 17 (administrator) division. This division was closed, but “linked to the HA division. The consensus of the board is to move this item forward to the next meeting for approval.
- b. Sheriff Department washing machine. – Administrator Carviou had this item added to the agenda. Jason was just informed that the washing machine in the jail it about to need significant repairs or be replaced. The estimate to repair is over \$2,500. The lowest cost for purchase and installation that the Sheriff Department received was approximately \$6,400. Discussion ensued over all available options for replacement. Com. Hafeman initially made a motion to make this an action item at this meeting. Com. Gromala seconded the motion. After further discussion Com. Hafeman withdrew her motion. The consensus of the board was to have Administrator Carviou obtain more information and bring this item back to the board.

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 April 26 & May 3, 2018 in the combined amount of \$131,765.20. - 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 Piche called for public comment.

Public Comment:

- Diane Lesperance – Commented on the washing machine in the jail.

Commissioner Comment:

- Com. Gromala – Commented on the washing machine in the jail.
- Com. Lang – Commented on the need for a DMG study and the increased cost to run the Sheriff Department. Space needs issues/study. Hiring an additional Assistant Prosecuting Attorney.
- Com. Meintz – Thanked all of the emergency responders and citizens of Menominee County that helped out with the recent barn fire at his farm.
- Com. Nelson – Commented that he offered to help Com. Meintz on his farm.
- Com. Piche – Commented that he is glad to see how much Com. Meintz appreciates the residents of Menominee County.

Moved by Com. Nelson, seconded by Com. Hafeman to appoint Kandace Curran to the position of Equalization Director effective June 16, 2018, contingent upon signing a conflict of interest agreement and MERS acknowledgement. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Schei, seconded by Com. Phelps to approve a recommendation by the Personnel Committee to set the starting salary for the Equalization Director at Grade 15 Step 3, which equates to \$60,766.81 annually, \$29.2148 hourly. Motion was approved 8-0.

Moved by Com. Hafeman, seconded by Com. Nelson to adjourn at 6:50 p.m. Motion was approved 8-0.

Gerald Piche, Chairman

Marc Kleiman, County Clerk