

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Tuesday, February 14th, 2008
Menominee County Courthouse - Courtroom B
Menominee, MI 49858

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. (CST) by Chairman Jim Lynch.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken with the following in attendance:

Present: Commissioners Lang, Berger, Kakuk, Lynch, Furmanski

Absent: none

Public Comment: None

Department Head Reports/Comments: None

Approval of the Agenda: Moved by Comm. Furmanski, seconded by Comm. Berger to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.

Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes: Moved by Comm. Lang, seconded by Comm. Kakuk to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion carried, 5-0

Presentations: None

Agenda Items:

Elections Costs/PO: Administrator Neumeier gave an overview of the cost as the increase was caused by the type of Primary which required additional programming. Based on discussion, Administration will place a recommendation on the next County Board agenda to approve payment of the purchase order.

Part-Time Bailiff Hours Worked: Discussion centered around what the Board had approved; 25 hours per week to serve the courts when they are in session, and the duties and hours currently being worked. The Sheriff indicated that he was “statutorily” in charge of courthouse security and would continue to use the individual as he saw fit within his budget. The Sheriff and Administrator disagreed on courthouse security vs. courtroom security when court is in session. The Sheriff and Board Chair had a discussion regarding fiscal responsibility. No action came from the discussion.

Comm. Per Diems: Based on discussion, Administration will place a recommendation on the next County Board agenda to approve the per diems as paid.

Misc. Bills: Based on discussion, Administration will place a recommendation on the next County Board agenda to approve the miscellaneous bills as presented.

Declaring Equipment as Surplus: Administrator presented the list of surplus equipment generated from the IT consolidated project. It will be put on Board Agenda to be disposed of the most cost effective way possible by sale, donation, etc.

Southern Folger Equipment: Board discussed the proposal from Southern Folger Detention Equipment Company, with the general consensus being that it was not presented in a format where the cost for the work to be done could be separated from the total. Further there may be the ability to make repairs that could be much more cost effective. The Sheriff, Administrator, and Building and Grounds Super will meet to try and clarify the proposal and present other solutions in the near future.

Park and Rec Committee Appointments: Board discussed the one letter of interest, and by information presented, it appears the individual may think this is a paying job. Administrator Neumeier will follow up with the applicant.

Maintenance of Efforts/Interest Revenue for Health Department: Administrator Neumeier advised the Board regarding a mandatory maintenance of effort amount for the Delta Menominee Health Department and the need to amend the budget and the appropriation by \$44,100 in insure the state funding. Based on discussion, Administration will place a recommendation on the next County Board agenda to approve a budget amendment for the appropriation increase.

The matter of interest earned on Health Department funds, which are administered through Delta County and has been retained over the years was discussed. The Administrator recommended to the Board that the matter be brought forward to the Health Board by our representative for resolution. Administrator Neumeier offered to assist as requested by our health department board representation.

Other Items Members may wish to present: Linda Schneider/County Treasurer addressed the Board regarding funds that have been generated from the sale of delinquent tax properties. She indicated that there should be approximately \$200,000 that should not be used to balance the general fund/operational budget, but set aside for major capital expenses.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

Moved by Comm. Furmanski, seconded by Comm. Berger to adjourn meeting at 8:00pm.
Motion carried, 5-0.