

On Tuesday, July 10, 2018, at 4:00 p.m., Chairman Tim Aho called the meeting to order. The meeting was held in the Board of Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Chairman Tim Aho, Commissioners Jim Brennan, Ray Coates, and Sharon Leonoff. Commissioner Patti Peretto excused absence.

Also present: Administrator Gene Smith, Administrative Assistant Mary Dalpra, Prosecuting Attorney Melissa Powell, Sheriff Mark Valesano, Treasurer Melanie Camps, Fair Board representative David Frailing, Equalization Director Amy Marinoff, Civil Counsel Steven Tinti, and Clerk/Register Joetta Greig.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff, to approve Minutes of June 12, 2018 Regular meeting and the June 12, 2018 Special meeting Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to approve the Agenda with the addition 11.(c) item 2, pertaining to an insurance payment for the museum. Voice vote, motion carried.

Chairman Aho called for Public Comment, with one comment being made regarding the structure of the agenda. Aho called for public comment three more times. No further comments voiced.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to approve \$530,857.58 in Payables and \$305,441.44 in Payroll. Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to approve Journal Entries. Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to approve Budget Amendments. Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

### **Commissioner Reports**

Coates reported he attended a Fair Board Meeting. Preparations are being made for the fair and the demolition derby. An agreement has been reached with the Fire Department for the demo derby.

Aho reported he attended an UPCAP meeting. UPCAP is working with legislature's public service committee to help people with high electrical rates.

Moved by Coates, supported by Leonoff to accept Commissioner Reports. Voice vote, motion carried.

### **Department Head Reports**

Sheriff Mark Valesano reported July has been a busy month. He also reported the Sheriff's Department is working with West Iron County Schools resource officer to create a partnership, to support drug counseling. A seasonal job, funded by WIC Public Schools is being discussed.

Treasurer Melanie Camps reported the second auction for tax foreclosed properties will be held at the Northern Waters Casino in Watersmeet, MI August 25, 2018.

Dave Frailing, fair board representative, mentioned the fair board is selling raffle tickets.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan to accept department head reports. Voice vote, motion carried.

**Old Business:** none.

### **New Business:**

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to accept the 2017 Audit Report presented by Schenk and make available to the public. They also agreed to make Schenk's recommended changes. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to approve the 2019 Budget instructions and calendar with anticipated changes. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to approve budget amendments for Sheriff's equipment fund. Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to approve budget amendments for an insurance payment for damage done at the museum. Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan to accept Sheriff Valesano's proposal to amend the Sheriff's Deputies Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Aho to accept the Mountain Engineering proposal for design services for the ambulance garage. Aspirus will lease the ambulance garage for 6 years to pay for expenses of the refurbishing. Tinti will negotiate an amended agreement with Aspirus to extend the completion date. Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Leonoff to write a letter of recognition to the Donald Aeschliman Trust for the donation which was used to refinish the courthouse doors. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates to approve the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) renewal. Roll call vote: Ayes 3. Nays 0. Aho abstained, Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to join in the class action law suit regarding the right to recover additional sums under the Payments in Lieu Taxes Act (PILT Act). Roll call vote: Ayes 4. Nays 0. Peretto absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan to support the resolution presented by UPCAP (the Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress). Voice vote, motion carried.

Chairman Aho called for public comment: Adam Polley voiced concern regarding comments made involving his father's residency.

David Frailing questioned if there would be a conflict of interest if the Probate Judge and Prosecuting Attorney are related.

Chairman Aho called for public comment three more times. No further comments voiced.

**Announcements**

The next regular scheduled meeting of the board is Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Chairman Tim Aho

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Clerk/Register Joetta Greig

**July 12, 2018, Regular Meeting continued**

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Reports submitted:

Register of Deeds Monthly Report  
Construction Code Monthly Report  
MSU Extension Report for June 2018  
Iron County Sheriff's Department Monthly Activity Report  
Iron County Veteran's Service Report for June 2018  
Northpointe Healthcare Meeting Minutes of May 24, 2018