

October 16, 2018 Regular Meeting

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*Correction

On Monday, October 16, 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 Sharon Leonoff, Patti Peretto, Jim Brennan and Ray Coates.

Also present: Administrator Gene Smith, Administrative Assistants Mary Dalpra and Lynette Lorenz, Lt Ryan Boehmke, Treasurer Melanie Camps, Equalization Director Amy Marinoff, Civil Counsel Steve Tinti, Iron County Medical Care Facility (ICMC) representatives Robin Caron and Chester Pintarelli, Friend of the Court Heidi VanSlooten, Chamber Alliance Executive Director Paul Schuytema, and Clerk/Register Joetta Greig.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Leonoff to approve Minutes of September 11, 2018 regular meeting and the September 18, 2018 special meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan to approve the agenda. Voice vote, motion carried.

The Board of Commissioners discussed the Public Hearing on its proposed 2019 All Funds, General Fund Budget and Truth in Taxation. Copies of the proposed 2019 Budget has been available for inspection in the County Clerk's Office and the Iron County Administrator's office, normal working hours, Monday-Friday, 8-4.

Chairman Aho called for Public Comment, one person requested a copy of the budget to view. Aho called for Public Comment 3 more times. No more comments voiced.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to approve \$443,371.40 in Payables and \$245,264.17 in Payroll. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to approve Journal Entries. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to approve Budget Amendments. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Commissioner Reports

Peretto mentioned Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region (WUPPDR) building in Houghton was destroyed. The upstairs tenant would like to purchase the building. WUPPDR is offering the building as is and negotiating a purchase agreement.

Leonoff reported she attended a Crystal Falls City Meeting.

Aho reported washout issues with Iron County trails. The county is responsible for the up keep of the trails. The State of Michigan and clubs take care of the signs and grooming the trails.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Peretto to accept the commissioner reports. Voice vote, motion carried.

Department Head Reports

Friend of the Court (FOC) VanSlooten reported the FOC is addressing alcohol and drug abuse during parenting time in order to safe guard minor children. She is working with the Sheriff and Prosecutor setting up counseling for parents and minor children.

Treasurer Camps reported the 19 tax foreclosed properties not sold at the Public Auction are available on line. Winning bids will be awarded November 2, 2018.

Chamber Alliance Executive Director Schuytema and Administrator Smith reported on the Iron County enhanced Website. Iron County Video tour with local business adds is a new feature. Schuytema also reported the chamber is working on the 2019 Visitor's Guide.

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

Old Business:

New Business

Equalization Director Amy Marinoff gave a report on the 2018 Apportionment Report. Moved by Peretto, supported by Coates to accept the report. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Peretto to adopt the Resolution for 2018 Apportionment Plan. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

The partial term vacancy on the Iron County Housing Commission was discussed. There were no applicants. The vacancy will be published in the paper.

Smith explained the importance in purchasing a new BS&A server. No action needed.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan to adopt a Fund Balance Standard Operation Policy and Procedure. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan to allow Smith to dispose or sell excess property worth less than \$500. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Peretto to approve the Broker Consultant Proposal and continue with 44 North. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Coates to adopt a Budget Amendment for Alcohol Assessment, Fund #284. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Coates to approve a Budget Amendment for purchase of a new BS&A Server. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan to adopt the following:

Resolution opposing Senate Bill SB 1031. A bill to amend 1893 PA, entitled "The General Property Tax Act" (MCL 211.1 to 211.155).

Resolution supporting Ojibway Correctional Facility.

Resolution seeking equity in State Economic Development Funding for Local Economic Development Organizations in the Upper Peninsula Michigan.

Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to adopt a Resolution opposing Senate Bill 396 (S-B), which grants exemptions from seasonal weight restriction. Roll call vote: Ayes 4, Coates, Leonoff, Peretto and Brennan. Nays 1, Aho. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported Peretto to amend the Aspirus Ambulance Contract to extend the completion date of the building. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

~~Moved by Coates, supported by Peretto to adopt a Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018 (Federally Taxable) to Iron County Medical Care Facility for unfunded pension liability. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried. *Mr. Tinti specifically requested a Resolution contingent to a payment schedule to fund the replacement completed before the purchase for the bonds moved forward.~~

Moved by Bennan, supported by Peretto to adopt the 2019 General and all Funds Budget. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved Peretto, supported by Leonoff to go into closed session to discuss Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreements for Trial Court Unit and Courthouse Workers Unit. Voice vote, motion carried.

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Upon returning from closed session moved by Aho, supported by Leonoff, to resume meeting at 5:18 p.m. The following members present: Chairman Tim Aho, Commissioners Sharon Leonoff, Patti Peretto, Jim Brennan and Ray Coates.

Also present: Administrator Gene Smith, Administrative Assistant Lynette Lorenz, Lt. Ryan Boehmke, Civil Counsel Steven Tinti and Clerk/Register Joetta Greig.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan to ratify Trial Court Unit and Courthouse Workers Unit Bargaining Agreement. Voice vote, motion carried.

Chairman Tim Aho called for Public comment 3 times. No comment voiced

Announcements

Election Day is Tuesday November 6, 2018.

The courthouse will be closed Monday, November 12 in observance of Veteran's Day.

The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday November 13, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Chairman Tim Aho

Clerk/Register Joetta Greig

Reports submitted:

- Register of Deeds Monthly Report
- Clerk Monthly Report
- Construction Code Monthly Report
- Iron County Sheriff's Department Monthly Activity Report
- Iron County Veteran's Service Office, monthly September 2018
- Northpointe Healthcare Meeting Minutes of August 23 and September 2018
- MSU Extension Report: September 2018
- Cooks Run Update by Parks & Recreation Committee