

On Thursday, December 19, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., Chairperson Patti Peretto 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: Chairperson Patti Peretto, Commissioners Tim Aho, Ray Coates, Sharon Leonoff and Mike Stafford.

Also present: Sheriff Mark Valesano, Undersheriff Ryan Boehmke, Prosecuting Attorney Melissa Powell, Administrative Assistants Lynette Lorenz and Mary Dalpra, Emergency Manager/911 Director Vernon Jones, Equalization Director Amy Marinoff, Treasurer Melanie Camps, MSU Extension Coordinator Deb Divoky, Chamber Alliance Executive Director Paul Schuytema, Fair Board member Dave Frailing, Civil Counsel Steve Tinti and Clerk/Register Julie Kezerle.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Leonoff, to approve the agenda. Voice vote, motion carried.

Chairperson Peretto called for Public Comment.

Carol Callovi spoke in support of 4-H asking the board to do anything for the kids.

Dave Callovi also spoke in support of 4-H and recited the 4-H pledge.

Lisa Koon-Bloomberg had questions about the unvetted items and how the board was going to take those into consideration. She also asked about how the millages for central dispatch and/or the veterans would affect the budget in the future. She had other questions about specific line items in the budget that she will be presenting to the board.

Benjamin Garcia asked the board what they are actively doing to build our tax base and what kind of economic growth Iron County will have.

Peretto asked for public comment two more times. No more comments voiced.

New Business:

Moved by Stafford, supported by Peretto, to approve Iron County Board of Commissioners Resolution Adopting the 2020 Iron County All Funds Budget, with the following amendments: an increase of \$25,000 to the Economic Chamber Alliance, increase of \$10,000 to the MSU Extension; and, \$5,000 increase to WUPPDR.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Stafford, Peretto
Nays: Coates, Aho, Leonoff

Motion failed.

Moved by Aho, supported by Leonoff, to approve the Iron County Board of Commissioners Resolution Adopting the 2020 Iron County All Funds Budget without any amendments.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Aho, Leonoff, Coates
Nays: Stafford, Peretto

Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Leonoff, to approve the proposed Contract for Services for the Northwoods Animal Shelter, effective 1/1/2020.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Coates, Aho, Leonoff
Nays: Stafford, Peretto

Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Aho, to approve the proposed Contract for Services for the Economic Chamber Alliance, effective 1/1/2020-12/31/2020.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Aho, Leonoff, Coates
Nays: Stafford, Peretto

Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Re-organizational Meeting of the Board of Commissioners. This meeting will be held on Thursday, January 2, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

Public Comment:

Chairperson Peretto called for Public Comment:

Lisa Koon-Bloomberg said what's good for other counties may not be good for Iron County. She also had budget questions.

Margee Brennan voiced her concerns over the budget and believes the board doesn't have the county's best interest.

Peretto asked for public comment two more times. No more comments voiced.

Announcements:

The courthouse will be closed for the Christmas holiday on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 24th and 25th.

There will be a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners on Monday, December 30, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of end of year financial matters.

The courthouse will be open on New Year's Eve Day and closed on New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1, 2020.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates, to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Chairperson Patti Peretto

Clerk/Register Julie Kezerle