

January 12, 2016

The Regular meeting of the Iron County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman, Tim Aho, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken, with the following members present: Brennan, Coates, Leonoff, Peretto, and Aho.

Chairman Aho requested the addition of New Business #9, possible purchase of a backhoe for use at Pentoga Park.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff, to approve the Agenda as amended. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0 Motion carried.

Administrator Clisch noted a correction to the minutes of December 8, 2015 on Page T-279, the amount of \$2,000 to be taken from Line Item 101-216-811.000 should be \$3,000.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan, to approve the Regular meeting minutes of December 8, 2015, as corrected. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff, to approve the Finance Committee meetings minutes of December 3, 17, and 30, 2015. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Pat Smith, Veterans Committee Chairman, introduced the new Veterans Service Officer, Gerald Williams. Smith noted that Williams has been doing an excellent job.

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioners Brennan, Coates, Leonoff and Aho reported on various committee meetings they had attended.

Department Reports:

Administrator Clisch reported that she, her staff, and the Treasurer’s office have been working on compiling data for the audit. Treasurer Camps reported on the Tax Sale.

Unfinished Business:

Moved by Peretto, supported by Leonoff, to approve the Finance Committee’s Review of Bills for 12/30/15 in the amount of \$313,118.14; 12/17/15 in the amount of \$646,630.56; and 12/30/15 in the amount of \$402,660.19. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan, to approve the Treasurer’s Journal Entries dated 12/3/15, 12/17/15, and 12/30/15, as follows: #9332-9367; 9370-9393; 9400-9412; 9414; 9418; 9421; 9424; 9428-9452; 9457; 9459-9463; 9467-9481; 9494;9495-9497; 9511-9520; 9522; 9540. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

New Business:

Chairman Aho submitted the listing of Committee Assignments for 2016, as follows:

Finance: Chair Peretto, Leonoff, Brennan

- Revolving Loan Fund: Entire Board
- Finance (Audit): Peretto, Brennan, Leonoff
(Audit Alternates): Aho and Coates
(Audit & Budget): Peretto and Leonoff
- Taxation Committee: Entire Board and Amy Marinoff

County Administration:

- Personnel: Chair Brennan, Leonoff, Aho
- Sick Bank Committee: Rep. Leonoff, Alternate Aho
- Building & Capital Improvements: Chair Aho, Brennan
- Remonumentation: Leonoff

Public Safety:

Law Enforcement: Chair Coates, Alternate Aho & Entire Board
Community Corrections: Coates
Safety: Coates
Central Dispatch: Coates

Economic Development:

EDC Board: Brennan & Aho
Chamber of Commerce: Leonoff
WUPPDR: Peretto & Aho
Fairboard: Coates
Manpower/MI Works: Peretto
RC&D: Black

Parks & Recreation:

Leonoff & Coates
Liaison for Pentoga Park: Leonoff
Liaison for Youth Camp: Brennan
Liaison for Trails: Coates & Aho

Senior Citizen Services:

DICSA: Brennan
UPCAP: Aho
Local Authority on Aging: Coates

Health & Human Services:

Public Health: Aho, Brennan, Leonoff
DHS/Medical Care: Peretto with Alternate Brennan
Substance Abuse: Peretto
Collaborative Board: Coates
MCAC: Aho

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to approve the mileage rate of fifty-four cents (\$.54) per mile, which is in line with IRS rules. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to approve the ratification of the agreement between AFSCME Local 1424 and the Iron County Sheriff Corrections Officers effective the first full pay period after January 1, 2016. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan, to increase the salary of Maintenance Supervisor, John Lortie, by \$2,000 effective the first full pay period after January 1, 2016; and to approve a one-time recognition payment of \$1,500 to Mr. Lortie. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

The Gogebic County 911 Service Agreement with Iron County was briefly discussed. Attorney Tinti has reviewed the document and made the necessary changes.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to approve the 911 Service Agreement with Gogebic County and to authorize the Chairman to execute the document. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates, to appoint Gerald Weeks to the Parks & Recreation Committee to fill a term which will expire on May 14 2017; Ray Kudwa to fill a term which will expire on 12/31/2018; and Harold Kallies to fill a term which will expire on April 8, 2017. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to appoint Roger Zanon to serve on the Authority on Aging Board to December 31, 2018. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A brief discussion was held regarding the purchase of a used backhoe for use at Pentoga Park. Commissioners Leonoff and Coates felt it would be a good item to have and could be used for a lot of

different projects. Commissioner Peretto felt it was not a good idea at this time. Leonoff noted that rental equipment is not always readily available when it is most needed.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates, to purchase a used backhoe for Pentoga Park in the amount of \$11,500. Roll call: Ayes 4. Nays 1 - Peretto. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

County Clerk Hilberg noted that although she does not begrudge a wage increase for Maintenance Supervisor Lortie, she would like to see some consideration for the rest of the elected and appointed employees. Commissioner Brennan stated that salaries would have to be looked at before the August primary.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to adjourn. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Diane Hilberg, County Clerk

January 14, 2016, Finance

The meeting of the Finance Committee of the Iron County Board of Commissioners was called to order on January 14, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners room by Finance Chairperson, Patti Peretto. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken, with the following members present: Brennan and Peretto. Absent: Leonoff. Board Chairman Aho filled in for Leonoff.

The Committee reviewed the bills.

Moved by Aho, supported by Brennan, to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$715,188.26. Roll call: Ayes 3. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Aho, to adjourn. Voice vote: Ayes 3. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Diane Hilberg, County Clerk

January 28, 2016, Finance

The meeting of the Finance Committee of the Iron County Board of Commissioners was called to order on January 28, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners Room by Acting Finance Chairman, Jim Brennan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken, with the following members present: Leonoff and Brennan. Absent: Peretto. Commissioner Coates filled in for Peretto.

The Committee reviewed the bills. Brennan noted that the appropriation to the Animal Shelter had been reduced by \$3,300 per year.

Treasurer Camps submitted journal entries dated 1/28/16.

Moved by Coates supported by Leonoff, to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$572,590.68. Roll call: Ayes 3. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates, to approve the submission of journal entries dated 1/14/16 to the full Board.

Brennan explained that he had been in contact with a recruiting firm to discuss the possibility of obtaining their services in finding a replacement for County Administrator, Sue Clisch. He noted that they are a company from Marquette, and that he had met with a representative of the company. Brennan asked for support from the Committee. Leonoff felt that this is something we have to get moving on. Coates felt that he would like to meet with the firm first.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan, to hire the firm of Stang Decision Systems for the purpose of recruiting a County Administrator, for a sum not to exceed \$6,000. Roll call: Ayes 2. Nays 1 - Coates. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Leonoff, to adjourn. Voice vote: Ayes 3. Nays 0. Motion carried.

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