

November 14, 2016, Public Hearing

A Public Hearing regarding the Proposed 2017 Iron County All Funds and General Funds Budget, and Truth in Taxation, was called to order by County Board Chairman, Tim Aho, at 9:00 a.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.

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

Chairman Aho called three times for public comment on the Proposed 2017 Iron County Budget. None were forthcoming.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff, to close the Public Hearing. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

November 14, 2016, Regular

Public Comment:

Chairman Aho called for public comment on Agenda items for the Regular meeting. None were forthcoming.

Commissioner Reports:

Brennan and Coates gave brief reports on meetings they had attended. Leonoff, Peretto and Aho had no reports.

Department Reports:

Written and/or verbal reports were submitted by the County Administrator and Department Heads.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Peretto, to approve all reports as presented. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan, to approve the Finance Committee’s Review of Bills of 10/6/16 in the amount of \$718,452.57 and 10/20/16 in the amount of \$878,679.32. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Leonoff, to approve the Journal Entries dated 10/6/16 and 10/20/16, as follows: #10464-10470; 10473-10494; 10496-10505; 10506-10532; 10536-10548. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan, to approve the Department Budget Amendments dated October 1-31, 2016. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

New Business:

Administrator Smith explained the need for Budget Amendments in Courthouse & Grounds and Parks for 2016, as employee West was being paid from the wrong fund.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Coates, to approve an amendment to the 2016 Iron County Budget for the Courthouse & Grounds and Parks Departments, as follows:

- Courthouse & Grounds: Decrease (Exp) 101-265-704.350 (Wages - West) \$17,000
- Decrease (Exp) 101-265-714.000 (Benefits) \$6,700
- Increase (Exp) 101-806-969.208 (Approp. Parks Fund) \$23,700
- Increase (Rev) 208-000-667.000 (Transfer from GF) \$23,700
- Increase (Exp) 208-691-703.000 (Salary - West) \$17,000

Increase (Exp) 208-691-714.000 (Benefits) \$6,700
 Increase (Rev) 208-000-697.000 (Beginning Yr Bal) \$15,852
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-705.200 (Special Workers) \$1,700
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-742.000 (Gas & Oil) \$500
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-776.000 (Janitorial Sup) \$700
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-809.000 (Profess Serv) \$1,680
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-901.000 (Advertising) \$350
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-920.000 (Utilities) \$3,000
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-960.200 (Garbage Removal) \$700
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-934.000 (Bldg & Grnds R&M) \$6,000
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-960.000 (License Fee) \$300
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-960.200 (Inspect Fee) \$22
 Increase (Exp) 208-691-965.500 (Fiduciary Fee) \$900

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

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan, to approve and make the following adjustments to the Proposed 2017 Iron County Budget which was placed on public display:

General/Pros. Attorney	Decrease (Exp) 101-229-802.000 (Memberships & Subs) \$2,277
	Increase (Exp) 101-229-703.000 (Salary - P.A.) \$2,277
	Decrease (Exp) 101-229-703.599 (Contractual P.A.) \$16,000
	Increase (Exp) 101-229-704.22 (Wages-Child Support Clerk) \$16,000
General/Contributions & Misc.	Increase (Exp) 101-806-969.470 (Approp. Cthse Repair) \$30,367
	Increase (Rev) 470-000-676.100 (Approp from GF) \$30,367
General/County Clerk-Register of Deeds	Increase (Exp) 101-210-704.200 (Deputy Clerk/Register) \$1,136
	Increase (Exp) 101-210-704.450 (Deputy Clerk/Register) \$2,346
	Decrease (Exp) 101-210-704.400 (Deputy Clerk/Register) \$520
	Decrease (Exp) 101-210-705.000 (Deputy Clerk/Register) \$942
	Decrease (Exp) 101-210-714.000 (Benefits) \$2,020
Concealed Weapons Permit Fund	Decrease (Exp) 263-000-800.000 (Other Services & Chgs) \$4,000
	Decrease (Exp) 263-210-703.100 (Salary Dept Head CC/Reg) \$500
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-714.000 (Wages, Deputy Clerk) \$1,000
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-714.000 (Benefits) \$500
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-727.100 (Office Supplies) \$100
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-727.200 (Copier Supplies) \$100
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-728.000 (Printing & Binding) \$200
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-817.000 (Computer Services) \$600
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-850.000 (Telephone Services) \$100
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-860.000 (Travel) \$100
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-931.000 (Computer Hardware) \$300
	Increase (Exp) 263-210-931.200 (Computer Software) \$500
Plat Book Fund	Increase (Rev) 298-000-642.000 (Plat Book Sales) \$30,000
	Increase (Exp) 298-000-900.200 (Publication of New Book) \$30,000

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

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan, to approve the Resolution adopting the 2017 Iron County Budget, General Appropriations Act and Millage. Discussion followed. Commissioner Brennan felt that in paragraphs 11, 17 and 18, the words "Finance Chairman" should be replaced by "Finance Committee". Several other Commissioners agreed. Administrator Smith noted that the Resolution is the same as the one approved last year. The motion was withdrawn.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan, to approve the Resolution Adopting the 2017 Iron County Budget, General Appropriations Act, and Millage with the elimination of Paragraphs 11, 17 and 18. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Leonoff, to approve the Resolution in Support of Application for the 2017 Western Upper Peninsula Regional Prosperity Initiative. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Larry Wahl, Grant Administrator for the Community Development Block Grant Program updated the Board on the status of the Program.

The new Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) overtime rule for salaried employees was discussed. Administrator Smith has been keeping the Board advised, and provided them with his recommendation

Moved by Coates, supported by Leonoff, to approve Smith's recommendation to raise the salary of John Lortie, Building & Grounds/Parks Manager, to \$47,500, effective for the payroll period including December 1, and to classify the remaining nine (9) salaried employees as FLSA non-exempt (hourly), and that they be paid overtime or compensatory time for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan, to adopt the Standard Operating Procedures for Budget Amendments. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to approve the recommendation of County Treasurer Camps to allocate the millage for the four Senior Citizens Centers on the same percentages as last year, to be levied on the December 2016 winter tax bills for distribution in 2017. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan, to stay with the 80/20 option for employee health insurance per Public Act 152. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates, to continue with the Community Blue PPO for employee health insurance for 2017. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan, to approve the 2016 draft of the Crystal Falls Township Master Plan. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to approve the License between the City of Iron River and the County of Iron for office space used by the Iron County Veterans Officer and Committee, at no cost to the County. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Mark Stuebner addressed the Board regarding an easement to cross County property in the area of Cooks Run. Administrator Smith suggested that the Board accept the request and submit it to Civil Counsel, Steve Tinti. Smith also noted that Mr. Stuebner could park his vehicle on County property in the meantime.

Announcements:

The Courthouse will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday November 25th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The next Finance Committee meetings will be held on Thursday, November 17th and Thursday, December 1, at 1:00 p.m.

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

Diane Hilberg, County Clerk

