

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA

IRON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday January 14, 2020 4:00 p.m.

Iron County Courthouse Annex, Commissioners Room, Crystal Falls, Michigan

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meetings of December 19th, 30th and Regular Meeting of December 10th.
5. Approval of the Agenda
6. Public Comment regarding Agenda Items Only (3 minutes, 20 minutes max)
7. Review and Action upon: Bills Paid, Payroll, Journal Entries, Administratively Approved Budget Amendments
8. Commissioner Reports: Aho, Coates, Leonoff, Peretto, Stafford
9. Department Reports:

BOC Office	Central Dispatch	Clerk/Register
Construction Code	Civil Counsel	Drain Commissioner
Emergency Manager	Equalization	Facilities & Parks Manager
Fair Board	Friend of the Court	ICECA
Medical Examiner	MSU Extension	Parks & Rec. Commission
Prosecuting Attorney	Sheriff	Treasurer
Youth Camp Director	Veterans Officer	Soil Conservation District

10. Old Business – Discussion and Possible Action Upon:
 - a. Rules of Order Amendments
11. New Business – Discussion and Possible Action Upon:
 - a. County Lease Agreement for facility for Iron Baraga Soil Conservation
 - b. Amendment to Budget Resolution on Prosecuting Attorney salary amount
 - c. Appointment of MMRMA member representative
 - d. ICMCF MERS contracts (Crystal Manor employees conversion)
 - e. Appointment:
 - i.) Authority on Aging board for term ending 12/31/2022.
 - f. Iron County Lakes & Streams Partnership Membership
 - g. Elected and Appointed Pay
12. Public Comment
13. Announcements:
14. Motion to Adjourn

December 10, 2019 Regular Board Meeting

T-464

On Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at 4:00 p.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, Prosecuting Attorney Melissa Powell, Administrative Assistant Lynette Lorenz, Chamber Alliance Executive Director Paul Schuytema, Emergency Manager/911 Director Vernon Jones, Equalization Director Amy Marinoff, Fair Board member Dave Frailing, Civil Counsel Steve Tinti and Clerk/Register Julie Kezerle.

Moved by Coates, supported by Stafford, to approve the October 2, 2019, Special Meeting minutes and the November 12, 2019, Regular Meeting minutes. Voice vote, motion carried.

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

Chairperson Peretto called for Public Comment three times. No comments voiced.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Leonoff, to approve the monthly payables in the amount of \$277,261.89, and payroll in the amount of \$246,876.48. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Aho, to approve journal entries in the amount of \$3,856,845.67, submitted by Treasurer Melanie Camps and administratively approved budget amendments in the amount of \$110,061.90. Roll call vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Commissioner Reports:

Aho: no report at this time.

Coates: no report at this time.

Leonoff: no report at this time.

Stafford: no report at this time.

Peretto: The Iron County Medical Care Facility is starting to look at resumes for Chester Pintarelli's job, who will be retiring in March 2020.

Department Reports:

Civil Counsel Steve Tinti explained the Supreme Court decision on the *Rafaeli* matter and the importance of this case regarding the Michigan tax foreclosure process. He also explained that there needs to be clarity in the minutes of which election the Central Dispatch Millage and Veteran's Millage will be on.

Equalization Director Amy Marinoff said that there were significant errors in the first set of plat books that were printed by Mapping Solutions. They were pulled off the shelves and Mapping Solutions fixed them and reprinted them. We are now ordering just 50 books at a time in case there are any more errors. She also stated that she recently attended a meeting downstate and there was a lot of good information, specifically regarding the new assessing reform law regarding a designated assessor. She will have more information regarding this in the future.

Fair Board member Dave Frailing said the fair board had a meeting last week and there was a good turnout. There was discussion on next year's fair and improvements.

Sheriff Valesano announced that Deputy Brady McDonald will be leaving the Sheriff's Department to take another job and that he will be hard to replace. He also said that he has been working on the budget with the expenses his department has had this year and that it should be in good shape.

Moved by Aho, supported by Stafford, to approve the Department Head Reports. Voice vote: motion carried.

December 10, 2019 Regular Meeting continued

T-465

Old Business:

After discussion regarding the Central Dispatch millage and the possible election dates for the Central Dispatch millage, it was moved by Aho, supported by Coates, to table this item. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

Moved by Aho, supported by Leonoff, to put the Veteran's millage on the March 10, 2020, election. Roll call vote:

Ayes: Aho, Leonoff, Coates.

Nays: Stafford, Peretto.

Motion carried.

New Business:

Moved by Stafford, supported by Coates, to increase 101-000-677.000 by \$8491.00 and increase 101-301-935,100 by \$8491.00 for the Sheriff's Department Vehicle Insurance Repairs. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

Moved by Aho, supported by Stafford, to approve Communities That Care's request for 2019 budgeted substance abuse awareness funds not to exceed \$2600.00. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

Moved by Aho, supported by Coates, to appoint Lynette Lorenz to the Building Authority. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Aho, to adopt the Resolution Authorizing EDC Discharge of Mortgage for Bigari loan. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates, to adopt the Resolution on Emergency Management and Safe Schools. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Leonoff, to change the December 30, 2019, Special Meeting of the board for year-end financial wrap-up to 9:00 a.m. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Stafford, to adopt the Standard Operating Policy & Procedure for appointment vacancies. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Leonoff, to appoint Sonne Stowell and Helen Hord to the Iron County Authority on Aging Board for a three year term beginning 01/01/2020 and ending 12/31/2022. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Coates, to appoint Danny Yarger as Medical Examiner for a four year term beginning 01/02/2020 and ending 12/31/2023. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Stafford, to approve the MERS Health Care Savings Program Participation Agreement for Iron County Medical Care Facility. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Aho, supported by Leonoff, to approve the request to close the building for the courthouse employee holiday breakfast on Wednesday, December 18, 2019, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Voice vote, motion carried.

December 10, 2019 Regular Meeting continued

T-466

Public Comment:

Chairperson Peretto called for Public Comment:

Carol Dallavalle spoke about her concerns for the 4-H program and future support for the 4-H program.

Dave Frailing voiced his complaints about the microphone system and that people have a hard time hearing the commissioners during the meetings.

Margee Brennan stated she doesn't understand why there are budget problems this year. She also stated her concern for the Veterans and the millage request.

Dave Callovi spoke in support of 4-H and the Fair.

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

Announcements:

The Public Hearing on the proposed 2020 All Funds Budget and Truth in Taxation will be held on Thursday, December 19, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. A Special Meeting of the board will immediately follow where the proposed budget will be presented for adoption.

Bill review on Thursday, December 26th is rescheduled to Thursday, December 19th at 8:00 a.m., Suite 7, conference room.

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

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

Moved by Coates, supported by Leonoff, to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Chairperson Patti Peretto

Clerk/Register Julie Kezerle

December 19, 2019 Public Hearing & Special Board Meeting

T-467

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 unvetoes 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.

December 19, 2019 Public Hearing and Special Board Meeting continued

T-468

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.

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New Business:

Moved by Stafford, supported by Leonoff, to approve the payables in the amount of \$100,437.02 and \$1,254.31. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Leonoff, to authorize Lynette Lorenz to perform inter-department and inter-fund year-end budget amendments. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Stafford, to go into Closed Session. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

Closed Session

Moved by Coates, supported by Aho, to go back into Open Session. Roll call vote: Ayes 5, Nays 0, motion carried.

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