

May 9, 2017, Iron County Board of Commissioners and Building Authority Meeting

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On Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 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: Commissioner James Brennan, Ray Coates, Sharon Leonoff and Chairman Tim Aho, Commissioner Patti Peretto absent.

Roll call was taken for the board of the Building Authority with the following present: Melissa Powell, Melanie Camps and Gene Smith.

Also present: Administrator Gene Smith, Administrative Assistant Mary Dalpra, Civil Council Steven Tinti, Deputy Clerk Tara Peterson, Equalization Director Amy Marinoff, Deputy Clerk Julie Kezerle, Prosecuting Attorney Melissa Powell, and County Treasurer Melanie Camps

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of Rosalie King.

Moved by Camps supported by Smith to approve the Building Authority minutes dated December 21, 2016. Voice vote, motion carried.

A public hearing on Special Assessment was conducted by the Board of Commissioner of the County of Iron and Iron County Building Authority. The public was given a chance to speak on the proposed budget and special assessment roll for the maintenance of the normal level of Indian Lake, located in the Townships of Mastodon and Stambaugh. Tinti reported he received letter from Richard Stier parcel number 007-012-057-00 expressed objection with the March Board of Review, which lowered values for 2017, Alan King parcel number 007-710-010.00 sent an updated mailing address, William Maryl parcel number 006-257-005-20 transferring to a revocable trust and Charles Thomson parcel number 006-257-003-70 and 006-257-003-80 had questions with no written comments or objection. At this time, Tinti called for anyone whom was protesting or in support to step forward. Tinti reminded everyone, if they did not speak up at this time in protest or an objection, it would not be recorded in the minutes, and therefore there would be no rights to an appeal. David Johnson parcel number 006-257-003-50 was in support. David Andreski also representing Tony Andreski Inc. Betty Turcotte, Blaise Andreski and Susan Williams parcel numbers 007-012-067-00, 007-012-066-00, 007-012-065-00, 007-012-058-70, 007-012-060-00, 007-012-061-00, 007-012-058-60 and 007-012-070-00 in protest.

With no further comments, moved by Camps, supported by Smith to adjourn the Public Hearing for the Building Authority Meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to approve Minutes from the April 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

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

Aho called for Public Comment three times regarding agenda items only. No comments voiced.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to approve bills of 4/07/2017 and 4/21/2017 in the amount of \$1,870,047.17. Payrolls 4/13/2017 and 4/28/2017 in the amount of \$235,186.88. Journal Entries #11139 – 111216 and budget amendments. Roll call vote: Ayes: 4, Coates, Leonoff, Brennan, Aho. Motion carried.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Brennan gave an updated report on the Substance Abuse Policy Board Meeting.

Coates: No report at this time.

Aho: No report at this time.

Leonoff: No report at this time.

Department Head Reports

No reports at this time.

Old Business

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Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan to adopt the Resolution Confirming Special Assessment Roll, Special Assessment District and Project Cost. Roll call: Ayes 4: Leonoff, Coates, Aho and Brennan. Motion carried. (See attached Resolution.)

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to adopt the Reimbursement Resolution 2017 Special Assessment Bonds (Limited Tax General Obligation). Roll call: Ayes 4: Brennan, Coates, Leonoff and Aho. (See attached Resolution.)

New Business

Treasurer Camps explained the County's right of first refusal to acquire tax foreclosure parcels. Under PA 123 of 1999, local units have a right of refusal after the State of Michigan to "purchase for a public purpose" and property located in their unit for the minimum bid.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to have Iron County waive its rights to acquire any of the foreclosed parcels. Voice vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Camps explained the State of Michigan DNR rights of first refusal to acquire tax foreclosed parcels. Camps recommended sending one of the 2017 tax foreclosed parcels to the State of Michigan with the DNR already owning 59/60 interest.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates to offer to the State's DNR department one foreclosed parcel. Voice vote, motion carried

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to opt for IIA Senior Centers Millage. Discussion took place.
Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to withdraw his motion to opt in IIA Millage.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates, to opt for IIIA Senior Centers Millage. Roll Call: Ayes 4:
Brennan, Coates, Leonoff and Aho. Motion carried. (See attached Resolution.)

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to adopt the Resolution establishing compensation for Elected
and Appointed Employees other than the Board of Commissioners as presented. Roll call: Ayes 4:
Coates, Leonoff, Brennan and Aho. Motion carried. (See attached Resolution.)

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Coates to adopt the Resolution establishing compensation for Camp
Batawagama and Pentoga Park summer staff. Roll call: Ayes 4: Leonoff, Coates, Brennan and Aho.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to allow the County Administrator to release requests for
Proposals for Audit Services and Cost Allocation Planning. Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff to approve fees for Summer Rates for Camp Batawagama.
Voice vote, motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates to adopt a Resolution acknowledging the Veterans in Iron
County. Voice vote, motion carried.

Chairman Aho called for public comment.

Earl Otchingwanigan spoke regarding the sign to the entrance at the Ceremonial Burial at Pentoga Park.
The sign has been down and would like to see it put back up. He also stated that he would like to see
placement of signs in the native Ojibway language at lakes, streams and rivers throughout the County.
Many years ago there was identifying signage in the native language near all of these bodies of water.
The board will be in contact with the Road Commission to discuss adding these signs.

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Announcements

The courthouse will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2017 in observance of Memorial Day.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the board of commissioners is Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan to adjourn. Voice vote, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned
at 5:31 p.m.

Reports: County Clerk

Register of Deeds
Sheriff Department
Construction Code
MSU Extention
Veteran's Service Council
Board Health Minutes of April 26, 2017
Northpointe Meeting Minutes of March 23 and April 13, 2017

Chairman Tim Aho

Deputy Clerk Tara Peterson