

January 10, 2023, Regular Board Meeting

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Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., Chairperson Mark Stauber called the meeting to order. The meeting was held in the Lower Courtroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Chairperson Mark Stauber, Commissioners Ean Bruette, Jacob Conery, Patti Peretto and Mike Stafford.

Also Present: Administrative Assistant Mary Dalpra, Sheriff Ryan Boehmke, Undersheriff Bob Reid, Judge Donald Powell, Treasurer Melanie Camps, Deputy Treasurer Jenn Curtis, Friend of the Court Danielle Cunningham, Emergency Manager Vernon Jones, Equalization Director Amy Bucek, Civil Counsel Steve Tinti and Clerk/Register Julie Kezerle.

Approval of the Minutes: Moved by Conery, supported by Peretto, to approve the December 13, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of the Agenda: Moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to approve the agenda, with one addition: under Old Business, item c: Wayside Church Tax Settlement Litigation Resolution.

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items Only (3 minutes max.)

Stauber called for Public Comment three times, with no comments voiced.

Monthly Financials:

Moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to approve the monthly payables for December in the amount of \$1,114,490.72, and payroll for December in the amount of \$335,343.19.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Stauber

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to approve journal entries 18696 through 18846 for December in the amount of \$3,507,057.38, submitted by Treasurer Melanie Camps, 38 of which are administratively approved budget amendments in the amount of \$709,031.96.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Stauber

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Commissioner Reports:

Bruette: None.

Conery: None.

Peretto: None.

Stafford: Reported on the status of the Iron County website.

Stauber: Gave an update on the Health Department building and SPARKS grant.

Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to approve the Commissioner Reports.

Voice Vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Clerk/Register Julie Kezerle gave a statistical report on how many deaths, births, divorces and marriages there were in 2022 in Iron County and also how many circuit court files were opened, accounts payable invoices processed and other services that the clerk’s office handles.

Friend of the Court Danielle Cunningham introduced herself to the Board. She assumed the Friend of the Court position in October 2022, and has been busy with training.

Sheriff Ryan Boehmke updated the board on the new hires in the jail and the status of current employees. He also stated that the Sheriff’s Department received an ORV grant in the amount of \$11,450.00 and that they are looking at purchasing a new four wheeler.

Gerry Williams from the Iron County Veteran’s Service Office gave a report on what services the Veteran’s office provided in 2022.

No other Department Reports were given.

Moved by Conery, supported by Peretto, to approve the Department Reports. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

- a. Changes to Board of Commissioner Rules of Order.

Moved by Stafford , supported by Conery, to Adopt the Rules of Order with the changes to Sections 4.3.1.2 and 4.3.1.3.

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

- b. 2023 Committee Assignments.

Committee Assignments were discussed and the following is the list of the 2023 Committee Assignments for the Iron County Board of Commissioners:

Function:	Committee:	Members: (First listed is Chair)
FINANCE:	Finance	Full Board : Stafford , Bruette, Conery, Stauber, Peretto
	Audit and Budget	2; Stafford, Bruette
ADMINISTRATION:	Personnel	3: Conery , Stauber Peretto
	Building & Capital Improvements	2: Conery , Stafford
	Remonumentation	1: Bruette
PUBLIC SAFETY:	Law Enforcement	Full Board
	Safety	1: Conery
	Central Dispatch (911 Advisory)	2: Stauber, Stafford
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:	Chamber of Commerce/ ICECA	1: Stafford
	WUPPDR	2: Peretto, Stafford
	Fairboard	1: Peretto
	UPWARD Talent Council	1: Stauber
	Resource Conservation & Development	appoint 1 * (current M Golas by term)
PARKS & RECREATION:	Liasion for Pentoga Park	2: Conery, Bruette
	Liasion for Youth Camp	1: Conery
	Liasion for Trails	1: Stauber

SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES:	DICSA	Peretto : DICSA Board Appoints
	UPCAP	1: Peretto
	Local Authority on Aging	1: Stauber

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:	Public Health (DIDHD)*	3: Stafford, Bruette, Stauber
	DHS – Medical care	1: Peretto (Stafford alternate)
	Northcare Network	1: Peretto
	Collaborative Board	1: Peretto
	MCAC	1: Conery

OTHER:	Iron County Road Commission	1: Bruette
	Veterans Service office	1: Bruette
	Building Codes	3: Stafford, Bruette, Conery

Moved by Conery, supported by Stafford, to approve the above 2023 Committee Assignments.

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

c. Wayside Church Tax Settlement Litigation Resolution.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Bruette, to move forward with the Wayside Church Tax Settlement Resolution and authorize the Clerk to execute it.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stauber

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

New Business:

a. Request for Proposals:

i. Ambulance Services. One proposal was received. **It was then moved by Conery, supported by Stafford, to table this until the next meeting in order for counsel to review it.**

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

ii. Cooks Run Cabin Roof Replacement. Two proposals were received.

iii. Pentoga Park Buildings Roof Replacement. Two proposals were received. **It was moved by Peretto, supported by Stafford, to table both the Cooks Run Cabin and Pentoga Park Buildings Roof Replacement in order for the board to review them.**

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

iv. Courthouse Flooring. One proposal was received. **It was moved by Bruette, supported by Conery, to also table this item in order for the board to fully review it.**

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

b. Prosecuting Attorney’s office TPOAM/MOU. The subject of the Memorandum of Understanding is for the Victim Witness Coordinator. The crime victim rights position has recently been filled by a new employee. The MOU stated that the starting pay would be the rate identified as step #5 by the current collective bargaining agreement, payable back to original date of hire in this position. Additionally, all previously accumulated PTO earned while employed in a different classification as an Iron County employee will transfer with the employee. After some discussion, **it was moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to agree to the all previously accumulated PTO earned while employed in a different classification as an Iron County employee to transfer with the employee, but that the starting pay would be at the current union pay scale rate for a new hire.**

Roll call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Stauber

Nays: None

Motion carried.

c. Appointments:

- i. Authority on Aging Board: No Candidates put forth. No action taken.
- ii. Dept. Human Services Board partial term vacancy. Three letters of interest were received: Jim Dellies; Michael Hedtke; and, Chris Ponchaud. After some discussion, **it was moved by Stafford, supported by Bruette, to appoint Michael Hedtke to the Department of Human Services Board, partial term ending 10/31/2023.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

- d. Establish Consulting Wage for Construction Code. Discussion with regard to the newly hired building inspector, Jim Marcell, ensued. Mr. Marcell is in the process of getting his certification. **It was then moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to pay Jerry Anderson, the former building inspector, when needed, a consulting fee of \$35.00 per hour, up to ten hours a week, not to exceed 60 days, during this transitional time.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

- e. Window Store Quote on Exterior Doors Replacement. **Moved by Peretto, supported by Conery, to accept the proposal dated 12/22/22 from the Window Store, for the total price of \$36,259.00.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

- f. Corrections Union. **Moved by Stafford, supported by Peretto, to approve the Contract and Hazard Duty Pay Letter of Agreement between the County of Iron and the Iron County Corrections Officers Employees Chapter of Local #1424.06 Michigan Council #25 AFSCME AFL-CIO, contingent on the Union and Chairperson Stauber signing the Contract and Agreement.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

- g. Medical Examiner Services. **Moved by Bruette, supported by Stafford, to move forward with discussions with Dickinson County and for civil counsel Steve Tinti, to draft the paperwork.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

- h. Trial Court Magistrate/CJO new hire. Judge Powell spoke with regard to this position. Gene Byrge is going to retire and the Judge would like to advertise for this position, starting at \$19.00 per hour, with pay increases to \$20.50 per hour, and then \$22.00 per hour, and allow Gene Byrge two weeks to train the new hire. **It was then moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to allow Judge Powell to fill the position, allow two weeks of training with Gene Byrge, and the pay of \$19.00 per hour to start, with increases to \$20.50 per hour, and then \$22.00 per hour.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Stauber called for Public Comment.

Mark Bromley wanted to make the board aware that the bridge on Idlewild Road is closed and asked the board to work with the Road Commission so that the bridge can be repaired as soon as possible.

Stauber called for public comment two more times, with no further comments voiced.

Announcements:

The next regular scheduled board meeting is Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn: Moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Chairperson Mark Stauber

Clerk/Register Julie Kezerle