

SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 in District Court room of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan, commencing at 7:00 P.M. Chairperson Allen Grimm called the meeting to order. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

Present: Chairperson Allen Grimm
 Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie
 Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar
 Commissioner Craig Reiter
 Beth A. Edwards, Schoolcraft County Clerk

Absent: Commissioner Sue Cameron (Excused)

Chairperson Allen Grimm led the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners and the members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2014 Board and Audit Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners as printed. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board Members present. [Copies of minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

Chairperson Allen Grimm asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie asked that the Adoption of the Proposed 2014/2015 FY Budget and the Secondary Road Patrol Grant be added to the agenda. Commissioner Allen Grimm also asked that the Copier Contract and the Community Action Lease also be added. **It was moved by** Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie and seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to adopt the amended agenda. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Public Hearings”: Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie stated that the public hearing on the proposed 2014/2015 FY Budget was still open for comment under public hearing. Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie also added that the budget was published and made available in the Treasurer’s Office and Clerk’s Office for review.

Commissioner Craig Reiter again expressed his disapproval of the 10% increase to the commissioner’s salary line item.

It was moved by Commissioner Gerald Zellar and seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to close the public hearing on the proposed 2014/2015 FY Budget. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Brief Public Comment”: none

“Old and Unfinished Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to index the following eighteen items from the Audit Finance Meeting of September 11, 2014. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

- 1) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to approve a purchase requisition from the Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department/911 in the amount of \$347.68 for batteries for radios in Seney Township. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 2) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Allen Grimm to approve a purchase request from the Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department/911 in the amount of \$917.47 for repairs to radios and radio batteries for Inwood Township. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 3) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Allen Grimm to approve a purchase requisition from the Under Sheriff Dixon on behalf of Search and Rescue in the amount of \$139.78 for two trailer hitches for Humvee's. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 4) **It was moved** by Commissioner Allen Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Sue Cameron to approve a purchase requisition from the District Court/Dave Maddox in the amount of \$234.08 for Mileage to Magistrates Conference in Traverse City, MI. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 5) **It was moved** by Commissioner Allen Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Sue Cameron to approve a purchase requisition from the Public Transit/Eric Perrollaz in the amount of \$452.05 for bus maintenance supplies from Ahern. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 6) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to approve a purchase requisition from the Public Transit/Eric Perrollaz in the amount of \$661.98 for PC Transit Conference in Midland, MI. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 7) **It was moved** by Commissioner Gerald Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Sue Cameron to approve a purchase requisition from the Public Transit/Eric Perrollaz in the

- amount of \$463.09 for bus maintenance supplies from Napa. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 8) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Allen Grimm to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **10020** through **10223** inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
 - 9) **It was moved** by Commissioner Gerald Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Sue Cameron to approve submission of the FY 2015 Child Care Budget in the amount of \$434,070.73 and to authorize Commissioner Allen Grimm to sign it. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.
 - 10) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to move \$25,000 from cash to the Airport Fund. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
 - 11) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to move \$10,000 to a restricted fund for the Security Wall/Door for the Courts and that \$28,000 be placed in a restricted fund for a new boiler when needed. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
 - 12) **It was moved** by Commissioner Allen Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to open up the public hearing on 2014/2015 Budgets. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
 - 13) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Sue Cameron to authorize Manistique Computer's, LLC to be paid \$13,746 which is one half of the total estimate for the security cameras for the jail. This would allow the supplies to be ordered and installation of those cameras started. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the committee members present.
 - 14) **It was moved** by Commissioner Sue Cameron and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to adjourn into closed session at 4:42 p.m. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the committee members
 - 15) **It was moved** by Commissioner Sue Cameron and was seconded by Commissioner Allen Grimm to go back to regular meeting. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
 - 16) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Sue Cameron to allow Commissioner Allen Grimm to continue his investigation with the law firm of Cohl, Stoker & Toskey, P.C. to draft a policy on carrying a concealed weapon by public transit employees. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
 - 17) **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to make an offer to both unions for a \$.30 per hour raise, opt out of the mandated

insurance and continue with the 15% co-pay by employees for insurance premiums until October 1, 2015. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

- 18) **It was moved** by Commissioner Sue Cameron and seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to make a market adjustment of \$.30 per hour to the Probate and Juvenile Court employee salary schedule to be in balance with other county employees and also to include the \$.30 per hour increase effective October 1, 2014. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

“Old and Unfinished Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie to allow Chairperson Allen Grimm to sign the C2ae Bill for the Airport. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

“Old and Unfinished Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to approve the Garage Sale Ordinance as presented by the Planning Commission after the publication requirements. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

“Old and Unfinished Business”: Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie presented the proposed Lease between Schoolcraft County and the State of Michigan for the DHS Annex. Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie addressed the lease payments as outlined in the lease and the bond debt owed, stating that the payments would cover the bond debt. **It was moved** by Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to accept the proposed lease and to have Chairperson Allen Grimm sign the same. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Under “New Business: Sheriff John Norrington presented some information on car and body cameras for his department and indicating that MMRMA would pay 50% of the cost for each camera. Sheriff Norrington requested that this be put on the agenda for September 25, 2014, as he didn’t have all the information that he had requested. No action taken.

Sheriff John Norrington also presented a bid from Michigan Taser Distributing in the amount of \$6,198.47 for 5 Taser Guns , 5 tactical performance power magazines, 5 holsters, 1 dataport download kit, 10 air cartridges. Sheriff Norrington stated that MMRMA would pay \$400 of each gun. There was discussion. **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie to send this to the Finance Committee and put on the agenda for September 25, 2014. This motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Chairperson Allen Grimm briefly commented on the Superior Trade Zone between Marquette County and Delta County and that Schoolcraft County had been asked to submit a Resolution in Support. There was discussion. **It was moved** by Commissioner Gerald Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to adopt the Resolution and authorize Chairperson Allen Grimm to sign it. This motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

“New Business”: Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie read a Letter from Prosecutor Timothy Noble and Magistrate Dave Maddox regarding Courthouse Security and the first step is the move of the Friend of the Court’s Office into the old EDC Office next to Probate Court and Karen Gurski’s office next to Judge Luoma. Further steps would be the wall being built in the west hallway just before Probate Court and then the security camera. There was discussion. **It was moved by** Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to approve the move process of the Friend of the Court Offices. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“New Business”: Sheriff John Norrington gave a brief overview of the Secondary Road Patrol Grant totaling \$27,993. **It was moved by** Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie to adopt the Secondary Road Patrol Grant and authorize Chairperson Allen Grimm to sign it. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“New Business”: Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie briefly addressed the Proposed 2014/2015 FY Budget as reasonable and again stated that the health insurance quote came in at a 5.4% increase and the budget was for a 15% budget increase so he is very confident in what the Finance Committee has put together. **It was moved by** Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to approve the 2014/2015 FY Budget. Commissioner Daniel LaFoilie, yes; Commissioner Gerald Zellar, yes; Commissioner Craig Reiter, no; Chairperson Allen Grimm, yes. The motion carried by majority aye vote of the Board members present.

“New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to adopt the lease for the small space that Community Action has upstairs and authorize Chairperson Allen Grimm to sign the lease as presented. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to allow Beth Edwards, Clerk to explore copier options as the lease

on the current downstairs machine will be up in November. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

No further "New Business":

"Committee and Department Reports":

Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoille Sr.: attended Michigan Association of Counties Conference on Mackinac Island. At the conference he was re-elected as a MAC board member for this next year.

Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar: none

Commissioner Craig Reiter: attended Commission on Aging Meeting and at the meeting they voted to not put \$20,000 in MERS and keep the money in their fund balance.

Commissioner Al Grimm: attended Michigan Association of Counties Conference on Mackinac Island which was paid for by UPCAP.

"Announcements and Notices":

Sheriff John Norrington announced that he had hired one part-time officer and is still looking for one. Mike Hickey has been hired and he will need to take a written test costing \$75 and a physical exam costing \$50. The soffit is being put on the jail and he has been told that the windows are two to three weeks behind.

"Public Comment": none

"Communications": Commissioner Daniel LaFoille stated that his conference costs for Mackinac Island were paid for by Michigan Association of Counties and there were no costs to Schoolcraft County.

Chairperson Allen Grimm adjourned the meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners at 8:05 P.M.

Allen Grimm

Allen Grimm, Chairperson County Board

Beth A. Edwards
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