SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 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. LaFoille Commissioner George Ecclesine Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar Commissioner Craig Reiter

Schoolcraft County Clerk Daniel R. McKinney

Absent: None

Also present: Schoolcraft County Treasurer Julie Roscioli.

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 Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to approve the minutes of the March 29, 2012 Audit/Board 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. **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to adopt the agenda as printed. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

"Public Hearings": None.

"Brief Public Comment": Ann Harrington of Manistique gave a brief report to the Board regarding her position on the U.P. State Fair Authority Board.

No further "Brief Public Comment".

"Old and Unfinished Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to index the following nine items from the Audit Finance Meeting of February 9, 2012. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

1) It was moved by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve a purchase requisition from Schoolcraft County Clerk in the amount of \$ 230.74 for one 13, 000 yield toner cartridge, and \$150.74 for one 7,000 yield toner cartridge for a total of \$381.48. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

- 2) It was moved by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine approve a purchase requisition from Schoolcraft County Sheriff in the amount of \$850.82 for repairs to the 2004 Expedition. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 3) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve the claims and vouchers numbered 1597 through 1747 inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.
- 4) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to accept a proposal from Schultz Land & Water Consulting, Inc. to perform dam safety inspection, hydraulic analysis, and reporting services for Schoolcraft County for a price not to exceed \$3,000. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.
- 5) **It was moved** by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to move \$150.77 of the \$220.58 credit from the Blue Cross fund to cover the AFLAC fund deficit and put the balance in the county general reimbursements to clean up these two line items. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.
- 6) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to allow Schoolcraft County's Public Transit Director to post and advertise a part-time position. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.
- 7) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve a resolution proclaiming April 2012 as "Head Start Month" in Schoolcraft County. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.
- 8) **It was moved** by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to accept Schoolcraft County's Surveyor's written annual report. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.
- 9) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to give Schoolcraft County Clerk authority to release demographics in order to obtain bid/proposal information for medical insurance. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under "Old and Unfinished Business": **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to write a letter to former employee Tom Lang explaining the situation with medical insurance coverage under COBRA on his wife and request that he pay \$877.35 for unpaid claims. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

Further under "Old and Unfinished Business": Chairperson Grimm opened the bids for the 2005 Ford Patrol vehicle. There were two bids; one from Turek's Used Car Parts of Thompson, Michigan in the amount of \$550.00, and the second in the amount of \$280.00 from Dan Laramie of Manistique. **It was moved** by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to accept the bid for the 2005 Ford Patrol vehicle from Turek's Used Car Parts of Thompson, Michigan in the amount of \$550.00. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

Further under "Old and Unfinished Business": There was discussion regarding raises for the two Circuit Court Employees. Commissioners decided to consult with Judge Carmody regarding his idea to pay the raises out of the administration monies paid by all four counties.

No further "Old and Unfinished Business".

Under "New Business: Equalization Director Paul Wood presented the 2012 Equalization Report to the Board. Mr. Wood indicated that this year we had the single biggest drop in assessed value he has seen, but he believes after this year things will start to increase. Mr. Wood said at least half of the decrease this year was due to one township that was assessed way too high last year and had to be adjusted this year. **It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve the 2012 Schoolcraft County Equalization Report. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under "New Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve the renewal of the Computer Services Contract with Dan Edwards of Manistique with a term ending date of May 7, 2013. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under "New Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to authorize the Sheriff to advertise for bids for the "old marine boat" with a minimum bid of \$1,500.00. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under "New Business": Commissioners had discussion regarding contribution of sick leave hours from a full-time employee to a part-time employee. Commissioners agreed that they will contact Bonnie Toskey for input on this.

No further "New Business":

"Committee and Department Reports":

Commissioner George Ecclesine: Attended the LMAS and Brownfield Meetings.

Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoille Sr.: Attended Community Action, they said an employee cannot be on the Board. Finance Meetings are ongoing. Hospital permits for building have not been billed yet; Jake Rivard is waiting for information from the State. Attended a Zoning Meeting regarding wind mills in Garden.

Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar: No report.

Commissioner Craig Reiter: Attended Commission on Aging Meeting and found an interested party for the Community Action Board. Also learned they will be going for a millage renewal in August. Met with Building and Grounds to discuss cost savings measures and talked about all departments buying the same printers so as to save on bulk purchase of print cartridges.

Commissioner Al Grimm: Met with the Sheriff and he would like the Board to revisit the issue of the ORV Grant. Also, the Sheriff mentioned that the County received a \$50,000 refund from MMRMA and his department is not informed when they get refunds. Schoolcraft County Clerk Dan McKinney stated that any refunds received from MMRMA is for the entire County and must be paid out to entities such as Public Transit, Senior Citizens, and MCF. Further, Mr. McKinney said our liability insurance costs are over \$100,000.00 and we are not making money on liability insurance.

Further, Commissioner Grimm noted that the new patrol car is supposed to be in the first week of May.

"Announcements and Notices": None.

"Public Comment": None.

"Communications": Schoolcraft County Clerk Dan McKinney informed the Board that Bonnie Toskey responded to the request for telephone conference regarding negotiations and stated that she can meet May 1st or the morning of May 8th. The Board set May 1st at 10:00 a.m. to have a telephone conference with Bonnie Toskey.

Further under "Communications": Sheriff Harris stated that the 911 Committee meets tomorrow at 4:00 p.m.

Chairperson Allen Grimm adjourned the meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners at 7:58 P.M.

Allen Grimm, Chairperson County Board

Daniel R. McKinney, County Clerk