

**SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING and AUDIT/FINANCE MEETING**

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners / Audit Finance Committee met on Thursday, February 25, 2016, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan. Chairperson Craig Reiter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

Present: Commissioner Craig Reiter
 Commissioner Allan Ott
 Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick
 Commissioner Christine Rantanen
 Commissioner Patrick Carley
 Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards

Absent: None

Chairperson Craig Reiter 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 Chris Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2016 Board and Audit-Finance Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present. [Copies of minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Chris Rantanen to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2016 Closed Session Board Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Chairperson Craig Reiter asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Craig Reiter asked to add Resolution Opposing Section 298 of the State Executive Budget to the agenda. **It was moved** by Commissioner Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Public Hearings”: None

“Brief Public Comment”: None

“Unfinished Business”: None

“New Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Chris Rantanen to approve the Sheriff’s Department Application for the 2016 Marine Safety Program Grant, in the amount of \$58,305. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Larry Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the MDSCAA Third Party Administration Management Plan to administer the Schoolcraft County CDBG Housing Grant and authorize Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign the same. There was Discussion. Commissioner Larry Mersnick withdrew his motion. No action taken.

It was moved by Commissioner Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to approve Schoolcraft County Public Transit FY2017 Resolution of Intent in the amount of \$809,209. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve the appointment of George Ecclesine to the Hiawatha Behavioral Health Board, term expiring March 31, 2019. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to increase the credit limit on the Schoolcraft County ELAN credit card for Steve Videtich, Building/Grounds and Airport Manager from \$1,100 to \$2,500. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve a Resolution to Oppose Section 298 Executive Budget Proposal for Fiscal Year 2017 only if Section 298 only applies to Mental Health Services. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Under Committee and Department Reports, the following matters were heard:

Commissioner Craig Reiter: attended meeting with the Sheriff and Judicial Council and will attend the MAC Conference next week.

Commissioner Allan Ott: attended Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Meeting and Medical Care Facility Meeting.

Commissioner Larry Mersnick: attended UPCAP meeting.

Commissioner Christine Rantanen: attended Medical Care Facility Meeting and Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Meeting.

Commissioner Patrick Carley: attended Planning Commission Meeting.

Alan Barr, EDC Director, stated that he is still working on all the same issues.

Mike Hickey, Conservation District, Annual Dinner and Meeting is Monday, March 21, 2016, see him for tickets, Annual tree sale is April 23 and 24, 2016.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment: None

Communications: None

At 7:55 p.m., meeting was turned over to Larry Mersnick, Audit-Finance Chairperson;

Commissioner Larry Mersnick addressed several unsigned vouchers from the Sheriff's Department stating that they would be paid after they are signed by Sheriff J. Norrington.

Commissioner Larry Mersnick addressed the approval from the Veterans Board and clarification for training required requested by a Budget Increase Request by Penny Carlson, Veterans Counselor.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Allan Ott to approve the Budget Increase for the Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$554.00 for two Computer Monitors and one Printer. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **5416 through 5490**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve budget adjustments numbered **JR-118-16 through JR-154-16**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 8:04 p.m. Commissioner Larry Mersnick turned the meeting back over to Commissioner Criag Reiter.

Chairperson Craig Reiter asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Larry Mersnick to adjourn. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

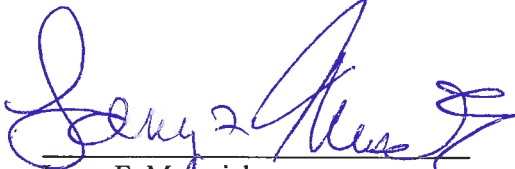
Chairperson Craig Reiter adjourned the Board and Audit Finance Meeting at 8:07 P.M.



Craig Reiter
Chairperson County Board



Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk



Larry F. Mersnick
Audit-Finance Chairperson