

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

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioner's Board Meeting / Audit Finance Meeting met on Thursday, March 9, 2017, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan. Chairperson Allan Ott called the meeting to order at 4:00 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 Daniel P. Hoholik
 Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards

Absent:

Chairperson Allan Ott 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 Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2017 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.]

Chairperson Allan Ott asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Allan Ott asked to remove Community Action Annual Report and add LMAS, Airport Fund, and Audit-Finance Committee Action Items (3). **It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen 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”: Nick Derusha, LMAS Director, presented the Board with a check in the amount of \$5,599 for partial return of the FY 15/16 Appropriation given by Schoolcraft County. The Board thanked Mr. Derusha for the work of his department.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the Lease of Community Action Agency and authorize Allan Ott, Chairperson, to sign the lease. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Karen McDougale gave a status report on the Mental Health Court that is being formed for the Eastern Upper Penninsula. At this point it is still in the planning stage and will start work on the operational grant for next fiscal year in May. There was talk regarding needed office space.

It was moved by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to appoint Rosalie Miller to the Schoolcraft County Commission on Aging Board, term expiring December 31, 2020. 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 Larry F. Mersnick to approve the AFSCME Union Letter of Agreement to release the Assessor’s Position from the Union Contract and authorize Allan Ott, Chairperson, to sign the same. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to approve the FOPLC Letter of Agreement to clarify job title within the current Contract and authorize Allan Ott, Chairperson, to sign the same. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the purchase and installation of the carpet in the mail room in the amount of \$399.97 and also authorize a budget increase. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to authorize Allan Ott, Chairperson, to sign the Letter of Engagement with

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC for the 2016-2017 FY Audit. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Darrell Dixon addressed the Life Tracker System and the need for a separate fund where donations and/or grant funds could be placed for purchase and maintenance of the system. **It was moved** by Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the creation of a new fund for the Life Tracker System donations and expenditures. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to cap the Airport Designated Cash - Airport Fuel 581-000-005.013 at \$50,000, transfer \$16,996.77 (current amount in excess of \$50,000) into Airport Cash in Bank 581-000-001.000 and receipt future sales into Cash in Bank 581-000-001.000. 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 Craig Reiter to approve a wage of \$14.48 per hour for the non-union part-time employees (corrections/secretary/cook) at the jail effective March 5, 2017 and look again at the wage during the 2018 Budget process. 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 Craig Reiter to increase the yearly salary of the Community Corrections/District Court Probation Agent by \$754, effective January 1, 2017. 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 Larry F. Mersnick to accept the 2017 Survey and Remonumentation Grant as presented in the amount of \$65,268. 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 LMAS, EDC, and Community Action Agency meetings.

Commissioner Allan Ott: attended SMH, and Upward Talent Council meetings.

Commissioner Larry Mersnick: attended Road Commission, LMAS, and Audit-Finance meetings.

Commissioner Christine Rantanen: attended MCF meeting.

Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik: attended MCF and Road Commission meetings.

Sheriff Paul Furman advised the Board that the jail has been busy and there was a State of Michigan Department of Corrections inmate that has been at the hospital and there will be a large bill, however, those expenses will be reimbursed by the Department of Corrections to the County.

Julie Roscioli advised that taxes from the Townships were turned into her office on March 1, 2017 and the settlement process was started. She also stated that three townships have been reconciled to date.

Announcements and Notices: None.

Public Comment: None.

Communications: None.

At 4:54 p.m., meeting was turned over to Larry Mersnick, Audit-Finance Chairperson;

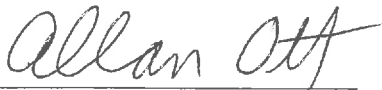
It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **173674 through 173829**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 4:56 p.m., Audit-Finance Chairperson Larry Mersnick turned the meeting back over to Chairperson Allan Ott.

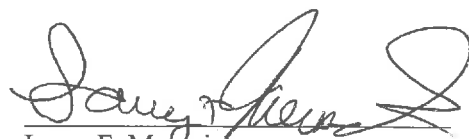
Chairperson Allan Ott asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Chairperson Allan Ott adjourned the Board and Audit Finance Meeting at 4:58 P.M.



Allan Ott
Chairperson County Board



Larry F. Mersnick
Audit-Finance Chairperson



Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk