

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

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners / Audit Finance Committee met on Thursday, November 10, 2016, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan. Chairperson Craig Reiter 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 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 Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2016 Board and Audit-Finance Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Allan Ott, yes; Patrick Carley, yes; Larry F. Mersnick, yes; Christine Rantanen, yes; Craig Reiter, abstain. The motion carried by majority 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 Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2016 Executive (Closed) Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Christine Rantanen, yes; Patrick Carley, yes; Larry F. Mersnick, yes; Allan Ott, yes; Craig Reiter, abstain. The motion carried by majority 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 L-4029 Tax Rate Request and move Closed Session to 14.5 on the written 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”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick to approve and proceed with installation of WIFI in the Courthouse in the amount of \$1,243.96 for equipment and install from Manistique Computers, Inc. with secure connection set up first and then a public bandwidth to follow in the future. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

“New Business”:

It was moved by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve L-4029 Tax Rate Request submitted by Paul Wood, Equalization Director and authorize Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign the same. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to move the DHHS Board Budget Increase to November 29, 2016 Board Meeting. 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 Survey and Remonumentation Grant in the amount of \$65,268 to be submitted by Julie Roscioli, Treasurer. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to move the 5 Year Recreation Plan to the November 29, 2016 meeting to allow Chairperson Craig Reiter to contact CUPPAD regarding any assistance they may have. 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, 11th Circuit Meeting, Planning Commission Meeting, and Community Action Meeting.

Commissioner Allan Ott: attended DHHS and EDC Meeting.

Commissioner Larry Mersnick: attended LMAS and 11th Circuit Meetings.

Commissioner Christine Rantanen: attended Medical Care Facility meeting.

Commissioner Patrick Carley: attended Road Commission meeting.

Beth Edwards addressed the election being canvassed and the Auditors will be in the building for two weeks.

Marcy Spriks addressed a couple of new petitions in Juvenile Court.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment: None

Communications: Beth Edwards read a letter from the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter thanking the Board of Commissioners for the \$2,000 donation.

At 4:16 p.m., meeting was turned over to Larry F. Mersnick, Audit-Finance Chairperson;

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the payroll vouchers October 16 through October 29. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to approve the Longevity Pay Vouchers. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **8182 through 8221**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Audit-Finance Chairperson Larry Mersnick turned the meeting back over to Chairperson Craig Reiter.

At 4:20 p.m., **It was moved** by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to go into Executive (Closed) Session to discuss Union Negotiations regarding AFSCME and FOPLC Unions. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 5:10 p.m., Chairperson Craig Reiter recalls the Board Meeting with all Board Members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve the tentative contract agreement with the AFSCME Union. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Julie Roscioli addressed the Survey and Remonumentation Grant and the need for an additional employee in her office.

Chairperson Craig Reiter addressed setting up a Personnel Committee Meeting on November 18, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Chairperson Craig Reiter adjourned the Board and Audit Finance Meeting at 5:17 P.M.



Craig Reiter
Chairperson County Board



Larry F. Mersnick
Audit-Finance Chairperson



Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk