

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

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners / Audit Finance Committee met on Thursday, October 13, 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 Christine Rantanen
 Commissioner Patrick Carley
 Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards

Absent: Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick (excused)

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 September 22, 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.]

Chairperson Craig Reiter asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Craig Reiter asked to add EDC Board Appointments, Snow Plow Bid Advertisement, and Camp Cooks Project and also remove the Land Bank and Gulliver Lake Dam.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott 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 Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to allow Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk to advertise for Snow Plowing Bids for the 2016-2017 Winter Season. 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 accept the MCWCF Grant in the amount of \$4,995.25 for chairs at the Sheriff's Department. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Commissioner Craig Reiter addressed the Vacant Building Tax Abatement that has been applied for by three property owners (vacant Pizza Hut, Ford Dealership on main street, and Manistique Saw and Plain) all within the City and Manistique City has provided that tax break if needed by these individuals. No action was needed just for information.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to send a letter to Joanne M. Sanfilippo, District Ranger, USDA Forest Service, against the closure of trails and roads (Camp Cooks Project) in Schoolcraft County and also expressing the need to for the officials of this County and impacted Townships to be involved in discussion and impact on this community. 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 table the WIFI project until the Board Meeting on October 27, 2016 to gather information on the cost of providing a bandwidth and guest connection to the public. Roll call vote: Christine Rantanen, yes; Patrick Carley, yes; Allan Ott, yes; Craig Reiter, no. The motion carried by a majority aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Allan Ott and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk to get two quotes for no more than 25 Desk Chairs and also require an inspection of the quoted chairs. 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 approve the C2AE Billing in the amount of \$1,166.80 for Airport Project No.: 14-0092. 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 appointment of Bob Crumb, term expiring 12/31/2020, and Ben Paris, term expiring 12/31/2021, to the Economic Development Corporation Board replacing Scott Hoezee and Bobbi Ayotte respectively. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

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

Commissioner Patrick Carley : attended Road Commission meeting that had been moved.

Commissioner Craig Reiter: attended LMAS meeting and Resource Fair.

Commissioner Allan Ott: attended DHHS Board meeting.

Commissioner Christine Rantanen: Nothing.

Sheriff J. Norrington stated he was in the office on Monday the Hot Water Heater had broken and had to be replaced which will cost approximately \$5,500, he was at the Community Resource Fair, and he has requested sealed bids from two local salvage yards for the Expedition as it is unfit to drive a salvage title will be given.

Julie Roscioli addressed the end of the fiscal year and her office being short staffed causing stressful days.

Jill Maddox addressed the WIFI and how it would be helpful for Judge Carmody and the transfer of documents.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment:

Sheriff J. Norrington addressed the WIFI and the need for replacement of computers in his department.

Communications: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **7774 through 8077**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 4:45 p.m., **It was moved** by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to go into Closed Session to discuss the upcoming Union Negotiations and the parameters. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 5:32 p.m., Commissioner Craig Reiter recalled the meeting with roll call taken. Commissioner Craig Reiter, Commissioner Allan Ott, Commissioner Christine Rantanen, and Commissioner Patrick Carley being present.

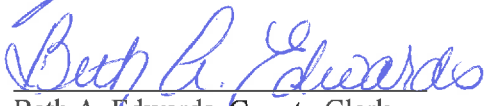
Commissioner Craig Reiter addressed a Budget Increase form from 911 in the amount of \$22,556 for past Mic Fees for Inwood Township and the City of Manistique from years 2008 to 2015. **It was moved** by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to send the billings and budget increase request back to 911 Committee for explanation and more information. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

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 5:40 P.M.



Craig Reiter
Chairperson County Board



Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk