

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

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners / Audit Finance Committee met on Thursday, September 8, 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 Patrick Carley
 Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards

Absent: Commissioner Christine Rantanen (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 August 25, 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 Prosecuting Attorney CRP Grant Acceptance, EDC Board Resignation, and C2AE Billing. **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”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick to open the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 16-17 Budget for comment. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick addressed the budget process and his support for the proposed working budget presented.

Commissioner Patrick Carley expressed his support for the budget presented.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to close the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 16-17 Budget. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

“Brief Public Comment”: None

“Unfinished Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the installation of ten (10) additional Duress Buttons in the offices indicated by Security Counsel to complete the project. 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 Patrick Carley to approve and accept the Prosecuting Attorney CRP Grant in the amount of \$240,653 and authorize Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign the contract as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve and accept the Friend of the Court CRP Grant in the amount of \$696,872 and authorize Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign the contract as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to appoint Kimberly Fannin, term expiring 10/15/2018, and Nancy Demers, term expiring 10/15/2021, to the Schoolcraft County Housing Commission Board. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick to approve and accept the Childcare Fund Grant in the amount of \$426,818.61 and authorize Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign the contract as presented. 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 Allan Ott to appoint Jackie Heath, term expiring October 31, 2019, to the DHHS/Medical Care Facility Board. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the Joint Transfer Agreement Concerning Defined Benefit For Current Employees of Schoolcraft County Transit Authority Participating in MERS Plan (Division #01 and #14) 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 Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve Resolution No. 2016-5 / Resolution to Transfer Assets to Schoolcraft County Transit Authority and authorizing at least \$15,000 cash to be withheld from transfer to cover any end of year contingencies as well as Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign necessary documents to make the transfers. 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 Allan Ott to approve the Letter of Agreement between Schoolcraft County Courthouse and AFSCME Local 1196.03 changing Article 44 Pension B. to read “Effective October 1, 2016 employees hired between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2015 will participate in the MERS division 13 Defined Benefit Plan B-2 FAC3 with F-55 years/20 years waiver with E-2 cost of living rider and V-10 vesting” and authorize Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign the Letter of Agreement and the Defined Benefit Plan Adoption Agreements effecting this change if the Letter of Agreement is approved by vote of the AFSCME Union. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick to approve and adopt the Proposed Schoolcraft County FY 16-17 Budget as presented. 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 Allan Ott to accept the written resignation of Scott Hoezee from the EDC Board effective immediately and thank him for his dedication and service to the community. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Larry F. Mersnick to approve the C2AE Billing for Project No. 14-0092 in the amount of \$1,166.80 and authorize Chairperson Craig Reiter to sign the same. 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 Six-County and Community Action meeting.

Commissioner Allan Ott: attended EDC meeting.

Commissioner Larry Mersnick: attended the Alzheimer's walk.

Commissioner Christine Rantanen: (absent)

Commissioner Patrick Carley : attended Road Commissioner meeting and gave an update on the well situation at the Airport.

Alan Barr addressed the EDC progress and the Drive In will be open again on September 10, 2015 for the night.

John Stapleton stated that everything is coming together for the Transit Authority, all the insurances have been secured, thanked the County Clerk and staff for their assistance.

Marcy Spriks stated that Juvenile Court had been quiet.

Jackie Parker addressed Friend of the Court upgrades.

Dave Maddox appreciated the Budgeting process this year.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment: Isaac Swisher commented on the EDC resignation and asked how to apply.

Communications: None.

At 4:55 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 claims and vouchers numbered **7395 through 7581**, 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 payroll vouchers for September 9, 2016, payroll. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

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

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 4:58 P.M.



Craig Reiter
Chairperson County Board



Larry F. Mersnick
Audit-Finance Chairperson



Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk