

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

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners / Audit Finance Committee met on Thursday, September 10, 2015, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan, commencing at 4:00 p.m. 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 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 August 27, 2015 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 remove the Public Hearing on the FY2016 Proposed Budget. **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”: The Public Hearing on the FY2016 Proposed Schoolcraft County Budget is moved to Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 7 p.m.

“Brief Public Comment”: None

“Unfinished Business”: None

“New Business”: It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Larry Mersnick to approve the Juvenile Court Childcare Fund Grant Application in the amount of \$430,481.24 and authorize Craig Reiter, Chairperson, to sign the same. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Chairperson Craig Reiter addressed that he had signed prior to this meeting the ORV and Snowmobile Law Enforcement Grants with the approval of three commissioners.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve the internal posting for Property Appraiser for the Equalization Department. 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 yearly salary for the 911 Administrator, W. John Norrington, of \$6,000 as recommended by the Schoolcraft County Telephone 911 Central Dispatch Committee effective October 1, 2015. 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 appoint Kristen Anderson to the Public Transit Board, term expiring on December 31, 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 Mersnick to appoint Tanya Hoar to the Economic Development Corporation Board, term expiring December 31, 2020. 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 appoint Kimberly Hampton to the Planning Commission Committee, term expiring on December 31, 2018. 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 publish again for the one remaining Planning Commission Committee opening. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Chairperson, Craig Reiter called for nominations for the Democratic Party nominee for the Schoolcraft County Board of Canvassers. Commissioner Craig Reiter nominated Nancy Demers to the Board of Canvassers. No further nominations were made. By unanimous aye vote of all

board members present Nancy Demers was appointed to the Board of Canvassers effective November 1, 2015, term expiring October 31, 2019.

Chairperson, Craig Reiter called for nominations for the Republican Party nominee for the Schoolcraft County Board of Canvassers. Commissioner Allan Ott nominated Rudy Lawrence to the Board of Canvassers. Commissioner Larry Mersnick nominated Doug Erickson. No further nominations were made. Roll Call vote as follows: Larry Mersnick, Doug Erickson; Allan Ott, Rudy Lawrence; Christine Rantanen, Rudy Lawrence; Patrick Carley, Rudy Lawrence; Craig Reiter, Rudy Lawrence. Rudy Lawrence was appointed to the Board of Canvassers effective November 1, 2015, term expiring October 31, 2019, by majority vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to appoint Keith Rochefort to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the unexpired regular term of Donald Reed, expiring December 31, 2016. 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 Larry Mersnick to approve to advertise for two alternate positions for the Zoning Board of Appeals. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk, advised the County Board that she looked into processing the Passports in the Clerk's Office and that the designated employees would need to go out of the office to process them and also she would need to certify that those employees would not process any vital records. Therefore, the Clerk's office would not be able to process the passports. There was discussion. **It was moved** by Commissioner Larry Mersnick and was seconded by Christine Rantanen to move the Passport Processing to the Sheriff's Department pending approval from the appropriate agencies. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Commissioner Craig Reiter addressed the issue with the Community Corrections Grant has been defunded by the State of Michigan. District Court has presented a program they would like to have put into place immediately. Magistrate Dave Maddox explained the proposed program for Community Corrections and the request for weekend on-call compensation plan. **It was moved** by Commissioner Larry Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve the Schoolcraft County Service/Community Corrections Program as presented effective October 1, 2015. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Chairperson Craig Reiter addressed the creation of the Schoolcraft County Service/Community Corrections Program Committee consisting of Prosecuting Attorney, The Circuit Probation/Parole Agent, the Circuit Judge, the Magistrate, the District Court Judge and the Sheriff/Undersheriff, and a member of the Board of Commissioners. Chairperson Craig Reiter appointed Commissioner Christine Rantanen and Commissioner Patrick Carley to the Schoolcraft County Service/Community Corrections Program Committee.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott approved District Court to advertise for the part-time position to be in effect October 1, 2015. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

Chairperson Craig Reiter stated that the Weekend On-Call compensation plan for the Magistrate is referred to Personnel Committee.

It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to approve the Telecommunications Upgrade Authorization for DHHS Lease #10448 to allow the AT&T upgrade into the building for DHHS use at no cost to the County and authorize Craig Reiter, Chairperson, to sign the authorization. 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 meeting and Community Action.

Commissioner Allan Ott: None.

Commissioner Larry Mersnick: attended Six County Meeting and LMAS.

Commissioner Christine Rantanen: attended the Public Transit, Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Meeting and Medical Care Facility Meeting.

Commissioner Patrick Carley : attended Road Commission Meeting.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment: None

Communications: Beth A. Edwards, Clerk, announced that she had received an email from Jennifer Runyon, U.S. Geological Survey, Geographic Names Office, and the small creek west of town in Thompson Township has in fact been officially named Little Smelt Creek.

Julie Roscioli addressed an email received from Mike Peterson regarding the appointment of Terry Wanic to the Survey and Remonumentation Peer Review Group for Schoolcraft County.

It was moved by Commissioner Patrick Carley and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to appoint Terry Wanic, professional surveyor, owner of Davis Wanic Land Surveying to the Survey and Remonumentation Peer Review Group for Schoolcraft County effective immediately. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

J. Norrington, Sheriff, stated ~~Mr. Barr~~ Mr. Mark Rivard came to see him regarding Blight and Commercial Rental Properties. Also, they had an inspection at the jail and all went well with that inspection.

Darrell Dixson, Undersheriff, advised that MBANK from Marquette was in the office today and gave \$2,000 to the Sheriff's Department for external vests for the Sheriff's Department.

Marcy Spriks, Juvenile Officer, stated that Mr. Hernandez was here and did an inspection of the Holdover Cell at the Jail and also inspected some of the files.

Timothy Noble, Prosecutor, addressed the Cougar in the hallway and is not sure how long it will be here in Schoolcraft County. He also addressed the on call necessity of himself and Dave Maddox.

Chairperson Craig Reiter read a proposed letter that he had asked Tim Noble to compose regarding the UPCAP run Community Corrections and the equipment that had been accumulated. **It was moved** by Commissioner Larry Mersnick and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to send the letter as read to the State of Michigan, Alger County, and UPCAP regarding the equipment, ownership and how that equipment is being disposed of. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

At 5:45p.m., meeting was turned over to Larry Mersnick, Audit-Finance Chairperson;

Purchase Requisitions: It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Allan Ott to approve a purchase requisition from Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk, in the amount of \$686.00 for 20 cases of copy paper. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Chairperson Larry Mersnick addressed a purchase requisition from Steve Videtich, Building and Grounds, for \$3,500 with glass and \$3,250 without glass for the back door at the jail. There was discussion. The matter was referred to the Building and Grounds Committee.

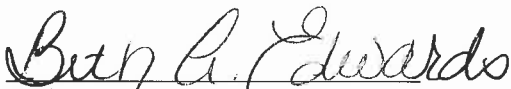
It was moved by Commissioner Christine Rantanen and was seconded by Commissioner Patrick Carley to move \$7,500 to Restricted Cash for Match Money for Future Airport Grants. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board members present.

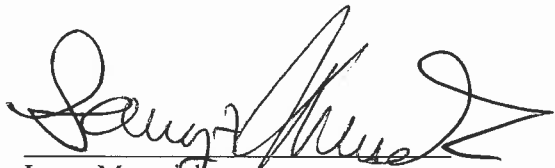
It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Christine Rantanen to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **3368 through 3647**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Chairperson Larry Mersnick asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

Chairperson Larry Mersnick adjourned the Board and Audit Finance Meeting at 6:02 P.M.


Craig Reiter
Chairperson County Board


Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk


Larry Mersnick
Audit-Finance Chairperson