

## SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 in District Court Room of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan, commencing at 7:00 P.M. Chairperson Allen Grimm called the meeting to order. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

Present: Chairperson Allen Grimm  
Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoilie  
Commissioner George Ecclesine  
Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar  
Commissioner Craig Reiter  
Schoolcraft County Clerk Daniel R. McKinney

Absent: None

Also present: Schoolcraft County Treasurer Julie Roscioli.

Chairperson Allen Grimm 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.

County Clerk Dan McKinney asked the Board to add approval of Executive Session Minutes for December 13, 2012 to the Agenda.

**It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2012 Audit/Board Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners as printed. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board Members present. [Copies of minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

**It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2012 Special Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners as printed. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board Members present. [Copies of minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

**It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2012 Executive Session Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners as printed. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board Members present.

**It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2012 Executive Session Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners as printed. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board Members present.

**It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2012 Executive Session Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners as printed. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board Members present.

Chairperson Allen Grimm asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioners asked that Commissioner on Aging Appointments be amended from two appointments to three appointments, Executive Session to discuss union negotiations be added to the agenda after “Communications”, and that Airport Manager Contracts be deleted from the agenda. **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and seconded by Commissioner Zellar to adopt the amended agenda. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Public Hearings”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and seconded by Commissioner LaFolle to open the public hearing for the MISHDA Grant. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

EDC Director Laurie Jasmin gave the Board a brief synopsis of the MISHDA Grant application process stating that this is done every two years and it is for the countywide rehabilitation program. Mrs. Jasmin noted that there is one new provision in the agreement which states that we must have an area of focus for the funds called placemaking and they have chosen Michigan Avenue.

Chairperson Grimm called for comment on the Public Hearing for the MISHDA Grant. No comment was made.

**It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and seconded by Commissioner LaFolle to close the public hearing for the MISHDA Grant. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present

“Brief Public Comment”: None.

“Old and Unfinished Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFolle and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to index the following thirteen items from the Audit Finance Meeting of February 9, 2012. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

1) **It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve a purchase requisition from Circuit Court Probation and Parole for various office supplies in the amount of \$103.15. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

- 2) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve a purchase requisition from Public Transit in the amount of \$6,409.82 for 51 tires and a lift control. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 3) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **3806** through **3956** inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 4) **It was moved** by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to accept the bid from Graphos Snowplowing for snow plowing at the Courthouse in the amount of \$75.00 per push and at Public Transit in the amount of \$40 per push for FY 2012-2013. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 5) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to accept the bid from Mike Braeger for purchase of the County Van in the amount of \$1,015.00. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 6) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to authorize the Chairperson to sign the campground lease for Merwin Creek Campground. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 7) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to reinstate the \$5.00 previously directed from the Drug Court Fund to the General Fund, back into the Drug Court Fund. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 8) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to accept the bid from Roger Koski this one time and direct the Clerk to write him a letter instructing him that faxed bids in the future will not be accepted. The motion carried by majority aye vote of the Committee members present with the voting as follows; Commissioner Ecclesine-yes, Commissioner Reiter-yes, Commissioner Zellar-yes, Commissioner Grimm-No, Commissioner LaFoilie-yes.
- 9) **It was moved** by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to accept the bid from Roger Koski for purchase of bus #6 in the amount of \$3,207.00 and for bus #7 in the amount of \$3,678.99. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 10) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve a Letter of Agreement with the Ministerial Association for distribution of 2% funds. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
- 11) **It was moved** by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to go into Executive Session to discuss union negotiations. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

12) **It was moved** by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to come back in to Regular Session. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

13) **It was moved** by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to send the new proposed changes to the union contracts to Bonnie Toskey to prepare them for mediation on Monday. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

Further under “Old and Unfinished Business”: Commissioner LaFoilie noted that Bob Berbohn said the Emergency Management Committee is recommending that the Board authorize them to negotiate the bid from Hilltop RV for the emergency management trailer. **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to authorize Bob Berbohn to negotiate with Hilltop RV for the purchase of an emergency management trailer. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

Further under “Old and Unfinished Business”: Regarding the cell phone for the prosecuting attorney Commissioners noted that Mr. Noble is not present and they will wait to address this issue until such time as Mr. Noble request them to revisit it.

No further “Old and Unfinished Business”.

Under “New Business: Regarding the Telephone System Commissioner discussed forming a committee to explore and evaluate the needs for a new telephone system for the County. Chairperson Grimm said the Board will revisit this after the first of the year when committee appointments are made. Schoolcraft County Clerk Dan McKinney suggested Julie Roscioli, Dan Edwards and a Commissioner. Commissioner Reiter said he would be interested in serving on this committee.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to authorize the Treasurer’s Office to send out the bills for Carpenter Dam Maintenance for FY 2013. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to Authorize the County Clerk to sign the Resolution Authorizing the Submission of the 2013 Housing Rehabilitation Grant Application. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to authorize the Clerk to sign the Resolution on Designation of the 2013 Homeowners Rehabilitation County Allocation Program Grant Administrator. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to Authorize the Chairperson to sign the Administrative Agreement for the MISHD Grant for 2013. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to authorize the use of the courthouse by Wayne Formolo and the Energy Savings Group for an informative session as long as it meets the policy for courthouse use. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to sign up with Mazzali Insurance Agency for medical insurance coverage for FY 2013 under the same plan as we currently have. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to reappoint Donald J. Reed, William F. Bowman and Julie Roscioli to the Building Authority with term ending dates of 6-30-15, 6-30-15 and 12-31-15 respectively. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to reappoint Robert Johnson to the Building Mechanical Electrical Appeals Board with a term ending date of 7-15-14. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to reappoint Larry Mersnick and Nancy Cheney to the Commission on Aging Board with term ending dates of 12-31-16 and to appoint Kerry L. Ott to replace Mary Lou Marx who resigned with a term ending date of 12-31-13. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to reappoint Dan LaFoille and Omer Doran to the Community Action Agency Board with term ending dates of 12-31-13. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to reappoint Dan LaFoille to the Community Corrections Advisory Board with a term ending date of 6-30-14. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to reappoint Gloria Hansen to the Housing Commission board with a term ending date of 10-15-17. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to reappoint Gary DeMers to the Planning Commission with a term ending date of 12-31-15. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to reappoint Gary DeMers and Larry Mersnick to the Public Transit Advisory Board with term ending dates of 12-31-15. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to reappoint Jeremy SPRIKS, Carol FORD, James HURSEY, Wilbur E. LaBAR, Terry JONES, John Stapleton, Dana DEMERS, Hillary PETERSON, and Keith A. WHITE to the Risk Management Safety Committee and to appoint Craig Reiter to replace Allen Grimm with term ending dates of 12-31-15. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to reappoint Russell King to the Soil Erosion & Sedimentation Appeal Board with a term ending date of 12-31-15. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to reappoint William F. Bowman, James Cook, Richard Ketcik, Donald Reed, Roger Quist, Donald Halling, Allen Grimm, David Peterson, Daniel LaFoille, George

Slining and Craig Kelso, and appointed Omer Doran to replace James Barr as Township Representative to the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee with term ending dates of 12-31-15. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to reappoint Nichole Hoholik and Bonnie Hansen-Groh to the Library Board with term ending dates of 7-29-15 respectfully. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: Regarding the Transit Director Agreement with Data Chairperson Grimm said the contract is not back yet so we will put this off until a future meeting.

No further “New Business”:

“Committee and Department Reports”:

Commissioner George Ecclesine: Attended the Insurance Committee Meeting and the LMAS Board Meeting and he encouraged everyone to get their flu shot.

Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoille Sr.: Attended the Local Planning Team Meeting. Also, went to Small Claims Court Monday and the judge ruled in the counties favor in the Tom Lang matter. Attended an MCF Meeting and an HBH Meeting where they talked about restructuring of the PHIP system. Also, attended UPCAP and learned that the personal property tax change is going through and that PILT will be fully funded.

Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar: Attended the Brownfield Meeting.

Commissioner Craig Reiter: Attended negotiations and the Broadband Meeting.

Commissioner Al Grimm: Attended negotiations.

“Announcements and Notices”: None.

“Public Comment”: None.

“Communications”: County Clerk Dan McKinney informed the Board that he will be swearing everyone in during the December 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

**It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to recess Regular Session and go into Executive Session to discuss union negotiations. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

**The meeting was recessed at 7:51 P.M.**

**It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoilie to come back in to Regular Session. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

**The meeting was reconvened at 8:46 P.M.**

**It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to correct the AFSCME contract from Bonnie Toskey today by deleting Deputy Transit Director from the Pay Grade List. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

**It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to authorize Bonnie Toskey to prepare a tentative agreement for POAM consistent with the TA we came to with AFSCME, send it to the Negotiating Team for Review and once approved send it on to the union.. The motion carried by majority aye vote of the Board members present with the voting as follows; Commissioner Ecclesine-yes, Commissioner Reiter-no, Commissioner LaFoilie-yes, Commissioner Zellar-yes, and Chairperson-yes.

**It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to make no changes to the Tentative Agreement reached with AFSCME and signed by both sides and, that the TA submitted by Sue Cameron this evening is not consistent with the TA that was agreed to and signed by both sides. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

**Chairperson Allen Grimm** adjourned the meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners at 9:00 P.M.

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Allen Grimm, Chairperson County Board

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Daniel R. McKinney, County Clerk