

SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners / Audit Finance Committee met on Thursday, October 27, 2011 in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Chairperson Allen Grimm called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

Present:                   Chairperson Allen Grimm  
                              Vice-Chairperson Daniel J. LaFoilie  
                              Commissioner Craig Reiter  
                              Commissioner George Ecclesine  
                              Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar  
                              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.

**It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2011 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 Allen Grimm asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioners asked that 911 Mapping and Medicare Revaluation be added to the Agenda under “New Business”. **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Public Hearings”: None.

“Brief Public Comment”: None.

“Old and Unfinished Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoilie to create a new line item for wages for DARE instruction and to continue doing DARE as we have in the past. There was discussion. Commissioner LaFoilie noted with his support that it should be indicated that wages as well as benefits will be paid out of the donation from Manistique Area Schools and the letter from the school should indicate this. The motion and support were withdrawn until such time as the letter

from Manistique Area Schools is revised to say that the \$3,000.00 donation can be used for wages as well as benefits.

No further "Old and Unfinished Business".

**Under "New Business":** It was moved by Commissioner LaFoilie and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to authorize the Chairperson to sign a letter to Rural Development indicating that the County of Schoolcraft has set aside \$16,930.00 for purchase of a patrol vehicle in order to continue the processing of the grant application. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present. Sheriff Harris indicated once the grant is approved by Rural Development it will come back to the County Board for their approval.

**Further under "New Business":** It was moved by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve the Fair Housing Resolution for MISHDA. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

**Further under "New Business":** It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve the Brownfield Redevelopment Act letter of support. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

**Further under "New Business":** Sheriff Harris indicated that they are still waiting for information regarding Securus.

**Further under "New Business":** Undersheriff Bob Madden indicated that they are still waiting for the Emergency Preparedness Agreement to come in.

**Further under "New Business":** It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to accept the recommendation from the 911 Committee for CUPPAD to do 911 Mapping in Schoolcraft County at a rate of \$59.00 per hour, up to \$8,000.00. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

**Further under "New Business":** It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner

Ecclesine to authorize the Chairperson to sign a letter to National Governmental Services stating that Schoolcraft County is legally and financial responsible for Medical Care Facility Medicare payments and to check to see if a Commissioner can sit on the MCF Board. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

No further "New Business".

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

**Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoille:** Informed the Board that Finance Committee met today and we are looking at an \$82,000.00 shortfall for FY 2013 at this point due to the loss of ARRA dollars that have been allocated to the Hiawatha National Forest Pilt for the last three years. Also, noted that we had planned on a 40% increase in medical insurance premiums for this year at the advice of our agent, but this came in at approximately 10% which includes the new 1% tax. Commissioner LaFoille noted that this helps to recoup some of the monies lost in other areas and will be placed in Budget Stabilization. Also, noted that we have requests for computers, recording equipment for the courts, a patrol vehicle and are badly in need of replacing the telephone system in the courthouse.

**Commissioner George Ecclesine:** No report.

**Chairperson Gerald Zellar:** No report.

**Commissioner Craig Reiter:** Attended Commission on Aging, 911 and Transit Meetings.

**Commissioner Allen Grimm:** Attended MCF, EDC and Road Commission Meetings.

**Announcements and Notices:** Schoolcraft County Sheriff Grant Harris informed the Board that the new DVR is in for recording purposes at the jail and will be up and running soon.

Schoolcraft County Treasurer Julie Roscioli informed the Board that the allocation amounts for the Survey & Remonumentaion Grant have come in and need to be applied. The Board asked that this be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

No further "Announcements and Notices".

**Public Comment:** None.

**Under Communications:** Schoolcraft County Clerk Dan McKinney informed the board that the Board Meeting in November is on the 15<sup>th</sup> if they would like to change this. Commissioner Gerald Zellar noted that

the Board Audit Meeting is on Thanksgiving also. **It was moved by** Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to change the Board Meeting in November from 11-15-11 to 11-14-11 and the Board audit Meeting in November from 11-24-11 to 11-23-11. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

No further “Communications”.

Audit Finance Chairperson Daniel J. LaFoilie called the Audit Finance Meeting to order at 7:56 P.M.

**Purchase Requisitions:** None.

**It was moved** by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve budget adjustments numbered 390-11 through 425-11, and those numbered 1-12 through 6-12 inclusive. 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 approve the claims and vouchers numbered 57 through 185, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

**Vice-Chairperson LaFoilie** adjourned the Board Meeting at 8:04 P.M.

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Allen Grimm  
Chairperson County Board

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Daniel J. LaFoilie, Sr.  
Audit Finance Chairperson County Board

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Daniel R. McKinney, County Clerk