SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners / Audit Finance Committee met on Thursday, September 30, 2010 in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Chairperson Gerald L. Zellar called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

Present: Chairperson Gerald L. Zellar
Vice-Chairperson Daniel J. LaFoille
Commissioner John W. Zellar
Commissioner George Ecclesine
Commissioner Allen Grimm
Schoolcraft County Clerk Daniel R. McKinney

Absent: None.

Chairperson Gerald L. Zellar 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.

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It was moved by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner John Zellar to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2010 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 Gerald L. Zellar asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioners asked that LMAS Lease be deleted from the Agenda and that MCF 2% Cost of Living Adjustment and Jail Repairs be added to the Agenda under "New Business". **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

"Public Hearings": None.

"Brief Public Comment": Laurie Jasmin, EDC Manager, informed the Board that she met with Lisa Nyquist of Northern Initiatives today who helps individuals who wouldn't normally be able to obtain a loan to start up a new business to get loans. Laurie Jasmin said Ms. Nyquist will be spending more time in Schoolcraft County.

No further "Brief Public Comment".

"Old and Unfinished Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by

Commissioner John Zellar to contract with Office Planning Group for rental of a copy machine for the second floor of the courthouse in the amount of $0.0099 cents per copy to begin at the end of the current lease. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Further under "Old and Unfinished Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to contract with Trimen Government Solutions for conversion of land records management at a cost of $27,000.00, an annual maintenance fee of $2,100.00 and hardware cost of approximately $6,300.00, to begin at the end of the current agreement with Manatron in February. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.
No further "Old and Unfinished Business".

Under "New Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to appoint Mollie Bonifas to the Commissioner on Aging board to replace Ruth Robare who resigned. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

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Further under "New Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to advertise for snow plowing bids for FY 2011 for two separate bids; one for the courthouse area and the old Public Transit Building and the second for the new Public Transit Building area. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Further under "New Business": **It was moved by** Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to appoint Dan LaFoille and Dan McKinney as signatories for the MSHDA Grant and Jerry Zellar as the person to approve the signatories. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Further under "New Business": Schoolcraft County Clerk Dan McKinney informed the Board that the Medical Care Facility Board approved a recommendation to authorize a 2% cost of living increase for individuals in Division 4. Mr. McKinney said the cost of this action is $5,765.00, but can be amortized over 30 years because this division is over 80% funded, and the total cost is paid by MCF. Mr. McKinney said the courthouse retirees affected by this will be on the agenda for October 14, 2010. Mr. McKinney said the cost for this action for the courthouse retirees affected would be $18,086.00 and would have to be paid in one lump

sum because this division is not 80% funded. Commissioner LaFoille said the cost of this makes it nearly impossible for us to do, but we will address it on October 14th. **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner John Zellar to approve a 2% cost of living increase for individuals in Division 4 who had retired under the C-1 Old Plan. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Further under "New Business": Commissioner LaFoille said GSM, who is currently conducting the jail cost study, was asked to contact Michigan Department of Corrections regarding the changes required by MDOC. GSM was informed by MDOC that they would work with Schoolcraft County on the changes if GSM was involved and if they keep MDOC informed of the progress on the new jail project. **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Ecclesine to allow GSM to be the intermediary between Schoolcraft County and the Department of Corrections in addressing the required changes at the jail. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present. Sheriff Harris said any changes to be done would need to be approved by the Board before being completed.

No further "New Business".

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

Commissioner Allen Grimm: No report.

Commissioner George Ecclesine: Received a note from Jim Hursey indicating that he attended the MAP meeting at which they discussed the Taxiway Project for next year and plans for projects in succeeding years.

Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoille: Attended the DHS Board Meeting and they are very concerned with the recent bomb threats at the courthouse. Commissioner LaFoille said he is working on setting a meeting to address the bomb threats. Commissioner LaFoille said this is a very serious issue. Also, reported that there is a planning meeting for the Carpenter Dam repairs on October 14th and work is scheduled to begin on November 1st. **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to authorize the Chairperson to sign a contract with Markie Sumpter for Carpenter Dam Repairs in the amount of $22,250.00 with a 15% contingency. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

Commissioner John Zellar: No report.

Chairperson Gerald Zellar: No report.

Announcements and Notices: None.

Public Comment: None.

Under Communications: Schoolcraft County Clerk, Dan McKinney, informed the Board that he received a memo from the Department of Corrections on September 27th indicating that Schoolcraft County must choose an option by October 15th for County Jail Reimbursement. Sheriff Harris said Angie Peirce received a 22 page fax today with historical data of incarceration rates. Sheriff Harris said he will review the data and have a recommendation before October 15th. Sheriff Harris said we can fax the document to MDOC on October 15th. The Board will act on this issue on October 14th.

No further "Communications".

Audit Finance Chairperson Daniel J. LaFoille called the Audit Finance Meeting to order at 7:55 P.M.

Purchase Requisitions: It was moved by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Zellar to approve a purchase requisition from District Court in the amount of $293.00 for repair of a copy machine. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all members present.

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It was moved by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve budget adjustments numbered 396-10 through 482-10, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Ecclesine and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve the claims and vouchers numbered 3951 through 4311, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Vice-Chairperson LaFoille adjourned the Board Meeting at 8:00 P.M.

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Gerald L. Zellar
Chairperson County Board

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

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Daniel R. McKinney, County Clerk