

**NOTICE OF SEMI-MONTHLY COUNTY BOARD MEETING
And AUDIT/FINANCE MEETING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners will meet on **Thursday, February 8, 2024**, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, Manistique, Michigan, commencing at **5:00 P.M.**

The following is the proposed Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Minutes:

January 25, 2024, Board and Audit-Finance Meeting

January 25, 2024, Closed Session Meeting – Attorney/Client Privilege Written Opinion Discussion – Land Purchase

5. Approval of agenda
6. Public Hearings:
7. Brief Public Comment:
8. Old and unfinished business:
9. New Business:
 - Update Brewery-Carpenter Dam, Gulliver Lake Dam, McDonald Lake Dam & Manistique Lake Dam
 - Attorney Stacy Hissong
 - Jury Commission Appointment
 - Schoolcraft County Veteran’s Affairs Board Appointment
 - Request for Approval of 93rd District Court Magistrate Appointment
 - Audit-Finance Committee Report and Action Items
10. Committee and department reports
11. Announcements and notices
12. Public Comment
13. Commissioner’s Comments
14. Communications
15. Audit Claims and Vouchers
16. Adjournment

And, to take up and consider any other matter which may lawfully come before the Board at this time.

Paul Walker

Paul Walker, Chairperson
Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners

Craig Reiter

Craig Reiter, Chairperson Audit-Finance
Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners

Public may view this meeting via zoom (listening purposes only), no public comment or interaction via zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

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

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioner's Board Meeting / Audit Finance Meeting met on Thursday, January 25, 2024, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan. Chairman Paul Walker called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

Present: Commissioner Craig Reiter
 Commissioner Bruce Birr
 Commissioner Troy Bassett
 Commissioner Paul Walker
 Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik
 Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards

Absent: None

Chairman Paul Walker 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 Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2024, 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.]

Chairman Paul Walker asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Paul Walker asked to remove Personnel Committee Recommendation/Action Items and add Executive session for review of Legal Opinion of Stacy Hisson and Purchase of Property. **It was moved** by Commissioner Paul Walker and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Public Hearings”: None

“Brief Public Comment”: None

“Unfinished Business”: Dixie Anderson addressed removal of the Personnel Committee Recommendation/Action Items from the agenda.

“New Business”:

Attorney Amenda Knutson of FSBR law firm gave an update on setting up the Delegated Authority Board for each of the Dams. The first meeting for each Delegated Authority Board is set as follows: Indian Lake Delegated Authority Board - March 5, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Schoolcraft County Courthouse; Gulliver Lake Delegated Authority Board – March 5, 2024, at 1 p.m. in the Doyle Township Townhall; McDonald Lake Delegated Authority Board – March 5, 2024, at 2 p.m. (or immediately following the Gulliver Lake Delegated Authority meeting) in the Doyle Township Townhall. Troy Bassett inquired about who would handle any FOIA Requests to the Delegated Authority Boards, Attorney Knutson stated that their law firm would be assisting. Corey Barr, City Manager, stated at the advice of the City Attorney there would be no legal action to take at this time.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to approve the City of Manistique Indian Lake Delegated Authority Board Designee as City Manager, Corey Barr and alternate Rebecca Weber. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Paul Walker to approve the Olsen & Olsen bid in the amount of \$21,400 for the Sanitary Drain and Storm Sewer Upgrades to be paid for by committed ARPA Funds. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the Olsen & Olsen bid in the amount of \$42,730.68 for the new Hangar Roof at the Airport to be paid for by committed ARPA Funds. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Troy Bassett to approve the FY24 Marine Grant Application in the amount of \$9,629 and no county matching funds. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Paul Walker to approve paying John Shiner (as hired by Judge Beth A. Gibson) as a supervisor starting January 22, 2024, at a rate of \$45,639.81 annually from the Supervisor Line Item until the request for appointment as Magistrate by Judge Gibson in February and approval by the County Board is

completed. Once the provisions pursuant to Policy and Procedure are met, Judge Gibson may request a review for a 5% increase of the original salary of \$50,710.90. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the purchase of a new laptop by the Mental Health Specialty Court Program. The laptop shall be purchased with funds from the MHC Grant. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Bruce Birr and was seconded by Commissioner Paul Walker to approve the reimbursement of \$1,000 to the City of Manistique for the Registration fees for the EMS Instructor Coordinator School from the committed ARPA Funds for training for EMS – City of Manistique. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

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

Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik: attended Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility meeting.

Commissioner Craig Reiter : attended Doyle Township, FOPLC Union Negotiations, Personnel Committee, Audit-Finance Committee, CAA Finance Committee, Mueller Township, and CAA Board meetings.

Commissioner Paul Walker: attended City Council meeting.

Commissioner Bruce Birr: attended Commission on Aging, Manistique Township, and Schoolcraft Public Transit Authority meetings.

Commissioner Troy Bassett: attended Hiawatha Township, Personnel Committee, and Road Commission meetings.

Ashley Reitter, Soil Conservation, addressed office open house on the 30th, Community Grants and Scholarships, Hemlock Tree checks for invasive species, and February 19th their annual tree sale starts.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment: Dixie Anderson addressed the hiring of a Magistrate.

Commissioner's Comment: Paul Walker stated that the County Master Plan is almost complete.

Communications: None.

At 5:34 p.m., meeting was turned over to Craig Reiter , Audit-Finance Chairman.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Paul Walker to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **7022 through 7106**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Paul Walker and was seconded by Commissioner Troy Bassett to approve the budget adjustments numbered **24-32 through 24-44**, inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 5:36 p.m., the meeting was turned back over to Chairman Paul Walker. Chairman Paul Walker asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to go into Closed Session for the purpose of Reviewing Written Opinion of County Attorney regarding Indian Lake Permitting issues MCL 15.268(1)(h) and Gulliver Lake Dam purchase, included in the discussion is Jean Vanderville, Delegated Authority, and Luke O'Brien, engineer. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 5:36 p.m. went into Closed Session.

At 6:13 p.m. Commissioner Paul Walker recalls the meeting to open session.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to return to open session. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Bruce Birr and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the legal recommendation of Stacy Hissong, County Attorney, regarding the Indian Lake Permit. Roll call vote: Bruce Birr, yes; Daniel P. Hoholik, yes; Craig Reiter, yes; Troy Bassett, no; Paul Walker, yes. The motion carried by a majority aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Troy Bassett to purchase the Gulliver Lake Dam from Gulliver Lake Dam, LLC for the purchase price of \$2,500 from County funds. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to adjourn. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Chairman Paul Walker adjourned the Board and Audit Finance Meeting at 6:14 P.M.

Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk

Approved: _____

DRAFT

Alger County
101 Court Street
Munising, MI 49862
906-387-2076

STATE OF MICHIGAN



Luce County
407 West Harrie Street
Newberry, MI 49868
906-293-5521

Schoolcraft County
300 Walnut St., Rm 104
Manistique, MI 49854
906-341-3655

11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

HON. BRIAN D. RAHILLY

Mackinac County
100 S. Marley Street
St. Ignace, MI 49781
906-643-7300

January 25, 2024

Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners
c/o Schoolcraft County Clerk
300 Walnut Street
Manistique, MI 49854

Re: Schoolcraft County Jury Board

The Court is nominating Ms. Roxanne Skarritt to fill the vacancy on the jury commission created by the resignation of Ms. Nancy Demers. Ms. Skarritt's term of office will expire on April 30, 2025.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "BDR", written over a horizontal line.

Brian D. Rahilly

Circuit Judge

BDR/jp

clerk schoolcraftcounty.us

From: Roxanne Skarritt <rmskarritt@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2024 1:29 PM
To: clerk schoolcraftcounty.us
Subject: Jury Board

I would like to submit my interest in being a member of Schoolcraft County Jury Board as a Democrat representative. I am positive that I would be excellent addition to the Board.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully, Roxanne M Skarritt

440 Alger Ave.
Manistique, MI 49854
906-450-5444

Received
JAN 25 2024

Schoolcraft Circuit Court

RECEIVED JAN 25 2024

Schoolcraft County Veterans Services

January 16, 2024

Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners
300 Walnut Street
Manistique, Mi 49854

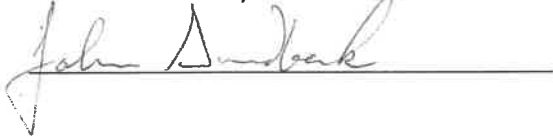
Subject: Reappointment of Dave Huddleston to the Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board

Please accept the Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs nomination to reappoint the following individual Dave Huddleston whose term expired December 2023. He has served as a member of the Veterans Affairs Board since October 2003 and brings with him much expertise and experience.

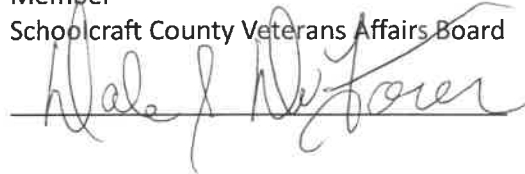
The Undersigned members of the Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board would like to encourage the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners to appoint Dave Huddleston to the Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board for an additional four-year term ending January 16, 2028.

Please let this letter serve as a submission for Dave Huddleston to the Board of Supervisors for their approval and selection.

John Sundbeck
Chairman
Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board



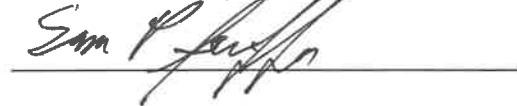
Dale DuFour
Member
Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board



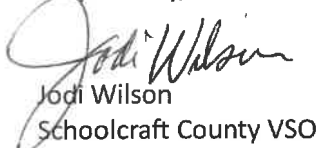
Nikole Messer
Member
Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board



Sam Pfeiffer
Member
Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board



Respectfully,



Jodi Wilson
Schoolcraft County VSO

accountspayable schoolcraftcounty.us

From: veterans schoolcraftcounty.us
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 3:35 PM
To: accountspayable schoolcraftcounty.us
Subject: FW: Reappointment to the Veteran's Board

This is what she sent me - Will this work?

Jodi Wilson
Schoolcraft County Veteran Service Officer Office 906-341-3669 Fax 906-341-1161

-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia Huddleston <phud59@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 3:29 PM
To: veterans schoolcraftcounty.us <veterans@schoolcraftcounty.us>
Subject: Reappointment to the Veteran's Board

I David Huddleston would like to be reappointed to the Schoolcraft County Veteran's Board.
Signed. David Huddleston
Sent from my iPhone

STATE OF MICHIGAN



11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
for
Alger, Luce, Mackinac, and Schoolcraft Counties

BETH ANN GIBSON
CHIEF JUDGE

January 24, 2024

Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners
300 Walnut Street
Manistique, MI 49854

RE: APPOINTMENT OF JOHN SHINER AS DISTRICT COURT MAGISTRATE

Dear Members of the Board:

I respectfully request that the Board place on the agenda for the regularly scheduled board meeting in February an agenda item approving the appointment of John Shiner as 93rd District Court Magistrate for Schoolcraft County.

Thank you very much. As always, if you have any questions, please contact me.

Truly yours,

Beth Ann Gibson
11th Circuit Court Chief Judge

c: Schoolcraft County Clerk
Mr. John Shiner

JUDGE
BRIAN D. RAHILLY
11TH CIRCUIT COURT

JUDGE
BETH ANN GIBSON
92ND DISTRICT COURT

JUDGE
MARK. E. LUOMA
93RD DISTRICT COURT

JUDGE
W. CLAYTON GRAHAM
11TH CIRCUIT FAMILY COURT
6TH JUDICIAL PROBATE COURT

JUDGE
CHARLES C. NEBEL
11TH CIRCUIT FAMILY COURT
5TH JUDICIAL PROBATE COURT