

**DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, May 8, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom**

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Wender at 6:00 P.M.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said by all.
3. Roll Call was taken by Chief Deputy County Clerk Dan Miller and a quorum was present.  
Present: Chairman Wender, Vice Chairman Stevens and Commissioners Degenaer, Kramer and Martin. (5)  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Chief Deputy County Clerk Dan Miller, Prosecutor Richards, Sheriff Rutter, Equalization Director Sid Bray, Controller Brian Bousley
4. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the agenda with the following addition: 7.P Employee Relations
  2. Approve/Deny: Job description and reclassification of Assistant Controller, pay grade MP06, to an Administrative Assistant position, pay grade MP03.All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Kramer supported by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., to approve the following meeting minutes as written:

Special meeting – Apr. 17 <sup>th</sup>
Finance meeting – Apr. 20 <sup>th</sup>
Regular meeting – Apr. 24 <sup>th</sup>

All Ayes, Motion Carried.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
  - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)  
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens Time. Heidi VanSlooten addressed the Board. She stated The Felch 2017 Veteran's Ride is May 27<sup>th</sup> and she invited everyone.
  - B. Resolutions and Legislation –Commissioner Degenaer
    1. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve Dickinson County Resolution 2017-9 Bike Month. All Ayes Motion Carried.

**Dickinson County Resolution 2017-9 Bike Month**

Whereas, the bicycle is a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of recreation; and  
Whereas, millions of Michiganders will experience the joys of bicycling during the month of May through educational programs, races, commuting events, trail work days, helmet promotion, charity events, or just getting out and going for a ride; and  
Whereas, Michigan's road and trail system attracts hundreds of thousands of bicyclists each year from all 50 states and from across the globe, providing economic, health, and scenic benefits to citizens of Michigan and the world; and  
Whereas, these bicycling activities and attractions have great potential to have a positive impact on Michigan's economy and tourism industry and to stimulate economic development by making the state attractive to businesses and citizens who enjoy the out of doors and healthy lifestyles; and  
Whereas, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, to boost community spirit, to improve traffic safety, and to reduce pollution and congestion; and  
Whereas, May has been declared National Bike Month for each of the over 60 years, and is so again in 2017; and  
Whereas, the League of American Bicyclists, the League of Michigan Bicyclists, bicycle clubs, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals, companies and civic groups throughout Michigan will be promoting bicycling as a leisure activity as well as an environmentally-friendly alternative to the automobile during the month of May 2017; and  
Whereas, the education of bicyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users; and  
Whereas, the League of Michigan Bicyclists, the Dickinson County Bike Path, and other organizations across the state will promote bicycle safety during the month of May 2017:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners concurring therein, hereby recognize the month of May 2017 as National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month, and the week of May 15-19, 2017, as Bike to Work Week; and

Be it further resolved that the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners urges all who support bicycling to participate in the events planned and urges all road users to share the road safely with bicyclists.

Henry Wender, Chairman

I, Dolly Cook, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Clerk of the County of Dickinson, Michigan, do hereby certify that the above extract from the minutes of a Regular meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Dickinson County, Michigan held on May 8, 2017 is a true and correct excerpt of original minutes related to the matters set forth.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Dickinson, Michigan, this 8th day of May, 2017.

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Dolly L. Cook, Clerk

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Martin

1. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the monthly bills for April in the amount of \$338,361.42. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Wender	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Martin	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the Trial Balance & Budget Status Report from the Treasurer for period ending April 30, 2017. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the distribution of the 2017 1<sup>st</sup> quarter PA2 funds to NorthCare Network in the amount of \$6,640.50.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Stevens	Aye	
Martin	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Wender	Aye	Motion Carried.

4. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the purchase of a 72" Brush mower/cutter from Tool Time Rent-All for \$6,650, in compliance with the Dickinson County Purchasing Policy, with funds to be reimbursed from MDOT grant.

Tool Time Rent-All	\$6,650	
Skid Steer Solutions	7,495 and 14,995.	Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	Motion Carried.

5. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve Empower Retirement:

- a. Advisory Services Agreement
- b. Amendment #1 to Agreement for Recordkeeping & Communication Services 457(b) plan
- c. Governmental 457(b) Roth & In-Plan Roth Rollover/Transfer Election Form
- d. Amendment to Great-West Model 457(b) Plan Document for Governmental Employers, and authorizes the Controller to sign the same.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

- B. **A-95 Review** – Commissioner Kramer-None
- C. **Six County Employment Alliance** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- D. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Commissioner Kramer
  - 1. Dickinson County Township Association meeting minutes of Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>.
- E. **DHHS / DICSA** – Commissioner Kramer
  - 1. DHHS meeting minutes of Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>.
- F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens
  - 1. Board of Health meeting minutes of Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>.
- G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin
  - 1. Northpointe meeting minutes of Apr. 13<sup>th</sup>.
- H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve Development and submission of the Toro Annual Product Donation Program Grant for two Titan HD Zero Turn Mowers and authorizes the Controller to sign the same. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
 

Kramer	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Martin	Aye	Motion Carried.
  - 2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve Change Order #1 for the correctional center roof not to exceed \$800.00. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
 

Kramer	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Martin	Aye	Motion Carried.
- K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender
  - 1. Update from Hon. Thomas D. Slagle on Title IV-E litigation with DHHS. Judge Slagle stated the \$53,000 Title IV litigation has been settled and we will have to pay approximately \$8,000 for our attorneys. He further stated 2 boys have been placed in a residential setting that costs \$300.00 a day. He stated this will exceed our budget line item amount this month but we have a healthy child care fund which will offset this amount. He stated a typical placement in a residential setting is 9 to 12 months.
  - 2. Update from Friend of the Court. Heidi VanSlooten, Friend of the Court, addressed the Board. (She read from a letter that is on file in the County Clerk's Office.) She stated in 2016 they collected \$284,000 in revenues from 10 different areas. She stated they distributed 3.7 million dollars in child support, spousal support, medical support, extraordinary medical expenses, child care expenses, birthing expenses, educational expenses, interstate payments and foster care payments. She stated her office ranks 1<sup>st</sup> in the Upper Peninsula and 13<sup>th</sup> in the State out of 83 counties for cost effectiveness. She stated her office has earned \$43,789 in incentives. She stated Celeste Calo, her employee, was recently recognized by the Michigan Office of Child Support for her efforts in service of process in paternity actions. She stated Dickinson County has a 94% success rate. Commissioner Stevens congratulated her for a job well done.
  - 3. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve amendment #7 to the food service contract between the Dickinson County Jail and CBM Managed Services and authorizes the Chairman to sign the same. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Sheriff Rutter stated there was minimal increase.

4. Sheriff's Office monthly report for April 2017.

L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens supported by Commissioner Martin to approve submission of the Lake Antoine Park Public Spaces Enhancement – Tot Lot Playground Project grant application to the CUPPAD Prosperous Places Mini-grant Program and authorizes the Chairman to sign the same. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens supported by Commissioner Martin to approve the transfer of \$3,000 from the County Parks fund balance for a 1:1 grant match for playground equipment replacement. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Martin	Aye	Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Commissioner Stevens supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the appointment of Mr. Duane Lundamo for Camp Host at Lake Antoine Park for the 2017 camping season. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

4. Spring 2017 mine inspection reports to Michigan Mining LLC (Groveland Mine), Greg Larson (Traders-Clifford Mine), the City of Iron Mountain (multiple sites), Dick Hanson and Craig Hanson (Devil's Icebox), and C&E Frank, LLC (Vivian-Robinson)  
It was the consensus of the Board that Commissioner Martin attends an Iron Mountain Council meeting.

M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None

N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer

1. Dickinson County Fair Board Special Meeting minutes of Apr. 21<sup>st</sup>.

O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin-None

Commissioner Martin stated the Library Board should be commended for paying down their retirement liability and their healthcare liability.

P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenauer

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to authorize the Controller to advertise to fill an upcoming vacancy in the Controller's Office. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the job description and reclassification of Assistant Controller, pay Grade MP06, to an Administrative Assistant position, pay grade MP03. All Ayes, Motion Carried  
Controller Bousley thanked Dianah for all her help in the beginning. He stated he will take on more responsibility which allows for lower pay for the position.

Q. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None

R. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender-None

S. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

T. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None

U. **Veterans' Affairs Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

1. Veterans' Affairs Committee meeting minutes of Mar. 7<sup>th</sup>.

8. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)  
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time and there was no participation.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Degenauer-None

10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Degenauer-None

11. Motion by Commissioner Kramer supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to accept the Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
12. Controller's Report.  
 Controller Bousley stated he met with the unions again. He stated Lake Antoine Partners are seeking positions for their Board. He stated the DNR Grant had a few changes and was sent back and we should hear something in October. He stated Trico cleaning had a few issues and we are working them out. He stated the roof at the Sheriff's Office will be done in a few weeks. He stated Brooks Electric will be in soon to work on the Clerk's Office. He stated the blower helped Eric at the park. He stated BSA is moving ahead and the auditors are here. He stated we will have active shooter training soon in the courthouse.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.  
 Commissioner Martin wished Dianah well. She asked is John Sacchetti is going to run the concession stand?  
 Commissioner Stevens stated yes he was and he felt he should not be charged.  
 Commissioner Wender stated he should be charged \$100.00 to go towards utilities.  
 Commissioner Kramer stated he and his mother paid to be certified to serve food. She agreed he should not have to pay. Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated he did not feel he should pay either.  
 Commissioner Martin agreed but thought he should start paying next year.  
 Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to have the controller do an agreement with Mr. Sacchetti and there will be no charge. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners  
 Degenauer Jr., Aye  
 Kramer Aye  
 Martin Aye  
 Stevens Aye  
 Wender Nay Motion Carried.  
 Commissioner Martin stated there is a breakdown of families in Dickinson County with all we have heard tonight.  
 Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated we should look into bringing back 4-H because it made the County a much better place.  
 Commissioner Stevens wished Dianah well. He stated the State of Wisconsin has fixed the problem with the big box stores but Michigan has not. He thanked Jim and Aaron for running the story about trash sites in Michigan.  
 Commissioner Kramer stated the Norway DDA amendment should go to the planning commission not the Board. Commissioner Kramer thanked Dianah and wished her well.  
 Commissioner Degenauer Jr., also wished Dianah well.
- A. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to go into a closed session to discuss negotiations with the collective bargaining units at 6:45 P.M., pursuant to the Open Meetings Act 15.268, Sec. 8(c). *(Closed Session requires 2/3 vote)*  
 Roll Call Vote: Commissioners  
 Wender Aye  
 Stevens Aye  
 Martin Aye  
 Kramer Aye  
 Degenauer Jr, Aye  
 Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to enter back into the regular meeting at 7:10 P.M. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:  
 Wender Aye  
 Degenauer Jr., Aye  
 Kramer Aye  
 Martin Aye  
 Stevens Aye Motion Carried
14. Motion by Commissioner Kramer supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr, to adjourn, Subject to Call of Chairman at 7:11 P.M.

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Henry Wender, Chairman

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Daniel Miller, Chief Deputy Clerk