

**DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 11, 2020 - 6:00 p.m.
Courthouse – Via Zoom**

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Wender at 6:00 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was said by all.
3. Roll Call was taken by County Clerk Dolly Cook and a quorum was present.
Present: Chairman Henry Wender, Vice Chairman Barb Kramer and Commissioners Joe Stevens, John Degenaer and Kevin Pirlot. (5)
Absent; None
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Controller Brian Bousley, Sheriff Scott Rutter and Prosecutor Lisa Richards.
4. Motion by Commissioner Pirlot seconded by Commissioner Degenaer to accept the agenda with the following addition:
6.B.2 Renewal of a Local State of Emergency
Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Degenaer Aye
Kramer Aye
Pirlot Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye Motion Carried
5. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the following meeting minutes. Regular – April 27th Roll Call Vote: Commissioners
Kramer Aye
Pirlot Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye
Degenaer Aye Motion Carried
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
 - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time and there was no participation.
 - B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Kramer
 1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to approve Dickinson County Resolution 2020-10 Bike Month. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Pirlot Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye
Degenaer Aye
Kramer Aye Motion Carried

Dickinson County Resolution 2020-10 Bike Month

May is National Bicycle Month and Michigan Bicycle Month each year. Bike to Work Day is usually the third Friday in May, but this year Bike to Work Week is September 21 to 25, 2020. 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 2020; 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 2020; 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, AKA Dickinson Trail Network, and other organizations across the state will promote bicycle safety during the month of May 2020:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners of MI concurring therein, hereby recognize the month of May 2020 as National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month, and the week of September 21-25, 2020, as Bike to Work Week; and Bike to Work Day on September 25th 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 – Dickinson County Chair

Date

Dolly Cook – Dickinson County Clerk

Date

2. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve extending the local State of Emergency up to an additional 28 days, until June 8, 2020 as the existing one has expired. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer Aye

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye

Motion Carried.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Kramer-None

B. **A-95 Review** – Commissioner Kramer-None

C. **Six County Employment Alliance** – Commissioner Stevens-None

D. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Commissioner Kramer-None

E. **DHHS / DICSA** – Commissioner Kramer

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to approve the second quarter payment request from DICSA in the amount of \$66,244.00. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Wender Aye

Stevens Aye

Pirlot Aye

Kramer Aye

Degenauer Aye

Motion Carried.

2. DHHS meeting agenda of May 28th.

3. DHHS meeting minutes of April 23rd.

F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None

Commissioner Stevens would like to continue to praise the Health Dept. and all its employees for their work on this virus.

G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Pirlot

1. Motion by Commissioner Pirlot seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the second quarter payment request from Northpointe in the amount of \$24,907.50. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Aye

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Motion Carried.

H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender-None

Sheriff Rutter stated that they are waiting to hear from the Dept of corrections as to when they will start accepting inmates again, as we have several awaiting transport.

The National Guard will be testing all the inmates here next week.

L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

1. Lake Antione Park Opening Date

Controller Bousley stated he would like the park to open for day use only-beach and park, starting May 29th, enforcing social distancing. He does not know if the rest rooms will be open though. He also would like the campground to open June 22nd, that is when the State Campgrounds open as well. If things change, we can amend this.

Motion by Degenauer seconded by Stevens to open Lake Antoine Park for day use only on May 29th, and the Campground June 22nd. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer Aye Motion Carried

2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the Lake Antione Park Ordinance.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Pirlot Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer Aye

Kramer Aye Motion Carried,

Commissioner Kramer stated that there was a typo on #7 line 3 should read OR parking lots.

3. The Dickinson County 2020 – 2024 Recreation Plan Update.

Controller Bousley stated that he is updating this and will be put on the website for public review.

4. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the donation from Dr and Mrs. Angela Hall in the amount of \$2,000.00 to replace the Lake Antoine Park sign. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer Aye

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye Motion Carried

Chairman Wender would like a letter of appreciation sent to the Halls.

M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request from the City of Kingsford to install a gate across the access road leading to the City of Kingsford's municipal well field. The well field is located on County Land within Ford Airport. The city would provide all the necessary materials and labor for this project. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Wender Aye

Stevens Aye

Pirlot Aye

Kramer Aye

Degenauer Aye Motion Carried.

Commissioner Stevens stated this will make things more secure for the Airport and the Well.

N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

Commissioner Degenauer stated that Skerbeck has canceled everything thru July, so we are hoping we will be OK.

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

P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenauer-None

Q. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

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| 1. DCHS meeting minutes of September 26, 2019 | 5. DCHS meeting minutes of January 23rd |
| 2. DCHS meeting minutes of October 24, 2019 | 6. DCHS meeting minutes of February 20th |
| 3. DCHS meeting minutes of November 26, 2019 | 7. DCHS meeting minutes of March 26 th |
| 4. DCHS meeting minutes of December 19, 2019 | |

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-None

Commissioner Stevens stated there will be an opening on the Board as Chuck Lantz has put in his resignation.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Kramer-None

9. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Kramer

A. Discussion of Courthouse operations. Action if needed.

Controller Bousley stated he would like things to stay Status Quo for now. We are doing everything we need to at this point.

Commissioner Stevens asked about a misting machine that sterilizes everything, are we able to attain one?

Commissioner Kramer stated this would be a good purchase as we can use this in the park as well as the Airport.

Controller Bousley stated he will look into getting one.

B. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to approve Dickinson County COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan.

Controller Bousley stated that everyone has looked this over.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	
Pirlot	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	Motion Carried.

C. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the issuance of a First National Bank and Trust credit card to Lt. Jason Conery with a credit limit not to exceed \$3,000.00 for the purpose of necessary purchases affiliated with the Dickinson County Correctional Center. Any purchases over \$2,000.00 must be approved by the Dickinson County Controller. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer	Aye	
Pirlot	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer	Aye	Motion Carried

D. Make the following appointments:

1. PLANNING COMMISSION - Applicants: NONE
Three-partial terms to expire 2/28/2023

2. FUMEE LAKE COMMISSION Applicants: Sandra Adams
Three-three-year terms to expire 7/14/2023

Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to appoint Sandra Adams to the Fumee Lake Commission. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Pirlot	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	Motion Carried.

3. BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY Applicants: Lois Ellis
Three-three-year terms to expire 7/31/2023 Jordan Stanchina
Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to appoint Lois Ellis

and Jordan Stanchina to the Brownfield Development Authority. Roll Call Vote:

Commissioners:

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer Aye

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye Motion Carried.

Commissioner Stevens stated that he would like to see people from the City and Townships apply for this position.

4. LIBRARY BOARD

Applicants: Robert Lundholm

One-partial term to expire 12/31/2020

Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to appoint Robert Lundholm to the Library Board. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Wender Aye

Stevens Aye

Pirlot Aye

Kramer Aye

Degenauer Aye Motion Carried.

10. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to accept the Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Aye

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried.

11. Controller's Report.

Bousley stated the Courthouse roof project will be starting soon. We have received money for the Terminal and Cleaning supplies at the Airport. The Pine Mountain Ski Jumps have received money \$ 3 million-Great Lake Sports and First National Bank. So that will be starting in a week or 2. We have received one revenue sharing check from MAC and doesn't know if we will be getting another one but its doubtful. We will be discussing our shortfall at the Finance meeting. Superior Aviation has requested a deferment of rent and landing fees for 3 months because of these hard times., and is in agreement that it would be paid by the end of the year.

12. Citizen's Time (Limited to five minutes per person)

Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time and there was no participation.

13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.

Commissioner Pirlot stated he is concerned about the Senior Center and not being able to get the home delivered meals out that are needed more than ever now.

Commissioner Kramer stated that the home delivered meals for the Seniors are being cooked at North Elementary and it is going very well and we can continue thru the summer if need be. She stated that True North needs to be contacted about their rental services at Lake Antoine. She went to the park and posted pictures of the electrical work being done at the park and has received many positives comments.

Commissioner Stevens stated that it is very good news about the Ski Jumps going forward, it is a good thing for our Community and we can't afford to lose this. He stated he would like Controller Bousley to see about the Counties getting their fair share of the stimulus money and not have it all go to Lansing.

Controller Bousley stated that the bad news concerning the Iron Mountain Senior Center is it is much worse that we thought, so it will take more time and money.

Chairman Wender stated he would like the meetings to go back to having the meetings in the Circuit Courtroom.

It was the consensus of the Board to start having meeting in person again in the Circuit Courtroom.

Commissioners Pirlot and Degenauer are concerned that this will be against Governors Order.

Controller Bousley will have to check to see if this is against the stay at home order issued by the Governor.

14. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Kramer to adjourn, Subject to the Call of the Chairman at 6:45 PM. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Aye

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried.

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly L. Cook, County Clerk