

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 13, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

Tape 387

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 Joe Stevens and Commissioners Barb Kramer, John Degenauer and Kevin Pirlot. (5)
Absent: None
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Controller Brian Bousley, Prosecutor Richards and Deputy Sheriff Brian Polzien
4. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Degenauer Jr. to accept the agenda as written.
All Ayes, Motion Carried
5. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the following meeting minutes with the following additions on the Special Meeting of April 24, 2019: Under #5 second paragraph read as follows: "to finish the bathrooms and to replace them when they receive the grant" **It should have read: "to finish the bathrooms and to replace the money when they receive the grant."** The second add on is paragraph 3: It reads as follows: "and add an accessible walkway to the beach" **It should have read: and add an accessible walkway to the beach at Lake Antoine."**

Finance – April 18th

Regular – April 22nd

Special – April 24th

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**

Commissioner Kramer introduced the following student from Mr. Hogberg's Iron Mountain Government Class: Madeline McCash.

- A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Gerald McCole addressed the Board. (He read from a letter that is on file in the County Clerk's Office.) He stated in his letter that the only solution is to remove this obstacle and move the YMCA forward by removing the dinosaur we call a senior center which has more than lived out its useful life by many years and should have been removed in 2013 when the YMCA wanted to.
Mr. David Streckert, Niagara addressed the Board. He stated he was a victim of our corrupt judicial system. He explained his problem. He stated he has been hurt by this system. He stated he is continually harassed. He stated he lost everything. He stated we need to stand together against the Prosecutor and the Judges. He thanked the Board.

1. Mr. Richard W.E. Ledy – First Bank, Investment Management Group

Mr. Ledy addressed the Board. (He handed out a packet for the Dickinson County Retiree Health Care fund which is on file in the County Clerk's Office.) He explained the different investment areas that we are invested in. He stated we are in line with the Counties investment policy. He stated our balance as of May 13, 2019 is \$2,967,994 Commissioner Stevens stated he should be here more than once a year.

Commissioner Pirlot asked some questions and felt we should be making more.

- B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Kramer
 1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenauer Jr. to approve Resolution 2019-7 Approval of MDOT Contract No. 2019-0503 for airport awareness projects for the Ford Airport. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2019-7
APPROVAL OF MDOT CONTRACT NO. 2019-0503 – FORD AIRPORT DICKINSON COUNTY,
MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, Dickinson County has been offered a Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

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 2019; 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 2019; 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 2019:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners concurring therein, hereby recognize the month of May 2018 as National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month, and the week of May 13-19, 2019, as Bike to Work Week; and Bike to Work Day on Friday, May 17 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

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Kramer

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the monthly bills for March in the amount of \$4,151,699.52. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Degenauer Jr., Aye
Kramer Aye
Pirlot Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye Motion Carried.

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. DICSA meeting minutes of March 14th.
2. DICSA meeting minutes of March 27th.
3. DHHS meeting agenda for May 23rd.
4. DHHS meeting minutes of March 25th.
5. DICSA meeting minutes of April 18th.

F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens

1. Board of Health meeting minutes of April 1st.

G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Pirlot

1. Northpointe special meeting minutes of February 8th.
2. Northpointe meeting minutes of February 21st.
3. Northpointe meeting minutes of March 7th.
4. Northpointe meeting minutes of March 21st.

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., seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the quotes received from Energy Control & Design, Inc. in the amount of \$29,300.00 to replace AC unit and install reheating coils in the Correctional Center. Roll Call Vote;
Commissioners:

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

 Controller Bousley stated no one else bid.
- K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender
1. Sheriff's office monthly report for April.
- L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
 Commissioner Kramer stated they had their work bee Saturday and about thirty people showed up from 9-2. She stated they gave tours of the beach. Commissioner Stevens stated reservations are steady and up a little bit.
- M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender -None
- N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
 Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated they would like to have an active shooter training for all those who work at the fair.
- O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Pirlot-None
 Commissioner Pirlot stated the library borrowed a 3-D printer if anyone needs to use it.
- P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenauer
 Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to discuss the position of the Victim Advocate in the Prosecuting Attorney's Office to move from a part-time position to a full-time position, this position is grant funded. If grant funds are reduced the employment hours and benefits will be adjusted to meet the financial constraints of the grant funds received. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 Commissioner Degenauer Jr., asked why now?
 Prosecutor Richards stated she just received it.
 Commissioner Degenauer Jr., does not want the position to stay if the grant is discontinued. Prosecutor Richards stated there was a surplus for Victims Rights Advocates and she applied for the funds. She stated it is 100% grant funded and she received \$5,000 extra.
 Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the position of Victim Advocate in the Prosecuting Attorney's Office to move from a part-time position to a full-time position, this position is grant funded. If grant funds are reduced the employment hours and benefits will be adjusted to meet the financial constraints of the grant funds received. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Pirlot	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	Motion Carried
- Q. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
1. DCHS meeting minutes of February 21st.
 2. DCHS meeting minutes of March 28th.
- R. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender
1. DCRC meeting minutes of February 12th.
 2. DCRC meeting minutes of March 12th.
- 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 the Aaron Harper Day was a great success and Aaron was

very pleased.

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

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

A. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to approve the 2nd quarter payment request from Breen Avenue Senior Center in the amount of \$6,041.25. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer Jr., Aye

Kramer Aye

Pirlot Aye

Motion Carried.

B. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the contract for building use between the Crystal Lake Senior Center and DICSA. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

10. Motion by Commissioner Pirlot seconded by Commissioner Kramer to accept the Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

11. Controller's Report.

Controller Bousley stated Christy and he went to the Airport to go over the construction of the hangar and they will be meeting weekly with Rob. He stated the auditors are finished and will present in late June or July. He stated on Wednesday they are meeting at the park about the wall and Bacco and the landscaping. He stated Merit will be providing a new program about cyber security. He stated the Jail Administrator will be retiring the end of June. Airport Manager Tim Howen stated the enplanements out were 2041 and in were 1781 for April and the March enplanements out were 1641 and in were 1859. He stated the cooling season is here and we will be turning off the heat and turning on the coolers.

12. Citizens' 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 Stevens stated cyber bullying is happening and ransoms are being paid.

Commissioner Pirlot stated to Mr. Streckert that the County Board has no supervision over elected officials. He stated the people over see the elected officials.

Commissioner Stevens thanked Breen for allowing DICSA to prepare home delivered meals for so long. He stated they stepped up and have done a great job. He stated the hospital had problems with money but never quality.

Commissioner Kramer stated the fundraising for Lake Antoine is going great. She thanked all the volunteers that helped clean the park on Saturday. She stated Memorial Week-end there will be a live concert at Lake Antoine and popcorn will be served. She stated the movies will start on Sunday and everything is free.

Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated they are remodeling and painting the bathrooms in the grandstands at the fairgrounds. He explained where they are and stated they should be ready by the first race on May 25th, 2019. He stated all wiring will be underground.

14. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., seconded by Commissioner Pirlot to adjourn, Subject to Call of Chairman at 6:55 PM.

Chairman Henry Wender

County Clerk Dolly L. Cook