

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting - January 28, 2013

Courthouse, Circuit Courtroom - 6:30 p.m.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wender at 6:30 p.m.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said by all.

3. Roll Call was taken by County Clerk Dolly Cook and a quorum was present.

Present: Chairman Wender, Vice Chairman Stevens and Commissioners Degenauer Jr., Kramer and Martin. (5)

Absent: None (0)

Also present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Chief Assistant Prosecutor Carl Downing, Lt. Derek Dixon and Controller Kay Pascoe

4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept the agenda as written. All ayes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to approve the following meeting minutes as written:

Committee of the Whole – 1/8/13

Regular Meetings – 1/14/13

Finance Meeting – 1/17/13

All ayes, motion carried.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**

A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)

Commissioner Martin introduced the following students from Mr. Hogberg's Iron Mountain Government class: Patrick Merkel, Blake Black, Eric Howe and Nick Baril.

Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Lucy Shampo, Iron Mountain, addressed the Board. She read a letter which is on file in the Clerk's Office. She stated the full time clerical position is essential for the only youth program in our County. She stated the Camp Board of Volunteers is not in a position to assume the duties of producing and distributing literature, producing and distributing 4-H information and registration forms to County youth, they need a location to accept Camp registrations and monies and they need someone to pay bills.

Sally Arcand, Norway, addressed the Board. She stated the PEP program needs Diana to distribute the paperwork for their program. She stated it was difficult last year when Diana wasn't there. She stated there are many medical forms for these handicapped children. She stated they need a full-time person to do this.

Linda Lieburn stated they need a full time person because none of the volunteers have this time.

There was no other participation.

B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Martin

1. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve Resolution No. 2013-2 waiving the right to review Township Ordinances and Amendments. Roll Call Vote:

Commissioners:

Degenauer Jr., Nay

Kramer Nay

Martin Nay

Stevens Nay

Wender Aye Motion Failed.

Pascoe explained the procedure. Commissioner Stevens stated they would be checking with CUPPAD.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** - Finance Chairman Degenauer

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve Amendment #1 to the 2013 General Appropriations Act. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to release the 2013 appropriation to the Almost Home Animal Shelter in quarterly installments of \$6,250. Roll Call Vote:

Commissioners:

Kramer Aye

Martin Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye
Degenaer Jr. Aye Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept the Treasurer's 2012 Report on Interest on Investments and Taxes. All ayes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to authorize retaining MGT of America, Inc. to provide the County's cost allocation plan for 2012, 2013, and 2014, at a cost of \$4,400 per year. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

5. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to release the 50% share of the PA 2 revenues to the Western UP Substance Abuse Agency in the amount of \$9,842.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

6. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the 2013 Borrowing Resolution as requested by the County Treasurer. All ayes, Motion Carried
Commissioner Stevens stated it cost the County \$9,000 of interest to borrow this money. Pascoe stated the local banks did not bid on this loan.

B. A-95 Review - Commissioner Stevens

1. A-95 Review for City of Kingsford Police Dept. purchase of patrol vehicle.

2. A-95 Review for City of Iron Mountain Police Dept. purchase of patrol vehicle.

Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Kramer to place on file and give a favorable comment on both patrol car purchases. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Crystal Lake Center/YMCA - Commissioner Kramer-None

Commissioner Kramer stated the YMCA had 120 memberships in 2010 and they now have 2691 memberships. She stated they added 55 full and part time employees.

D. Six County Employment Alliance - Commissioner Wender-None

E. Planning and Zoning Committee - Commissioner Kramer

1. Conservation District meeting minutes of 12/18/12.

2. Planning Commission meeting minutes of 12/13/12.

F. DHS/Community Services Agencies - Commissioner Kramer-None

G. Dickinson-Iron Health Department - Commissioner Kramer-None

H. Northpointe - Commissioner Martin

1. Northpointe meeting minutes of 1/3/13.

I. Pinecrest - Commissioner Degenaer-None

J. Equalization Committee - Commissioner Degenaer

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to acknowledge a letter from Equalization Director Larry Swartout. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
Commissioner Stevens stated it will be hard to replace him and he will be missed. He further stated we should start the process to replace him. Commissioner Martin stated she hoped the Board would discuss this before we advertise.

K. Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling - Commissioner Degenaer-None

L. Public Safety and Judiciary - Commissioner Wender-None

M. Parks Committee - Commissioner Stevens

1. Parks Committee meeting minutes of 1/22/13.

2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve a request from the Veterans Recovery Group to hold a Festival at the Pine Mountain parking lot area on August 24th subject to the provision of proof of insurance and the execution of an indemnification agreement. All ayes, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Stevens stated anything we can do to help a veteran heal is a good thing and he is glad we are supporting this.

N. Airport Committee - Commissioner Wender

1. 2012 Scheduled Passenger Enplanement Report.

Chairman Wender stated our enplanements were 8102 in 2012. He stated we would like to see 10,000.

O. Fair Board - Commissioner Degenauer-None

P. Library Board - Commissioner Ann Martin-None

Q. Dickinson Partnership/Economic Dev. - Commissioner Stevens-None

R. Employee Relations Committee - Commissioner Degenauer-None

S. Dickinson County Hospital Committee - Commissioner Stevens-None

T. Dickinson County Road Commission - Commissioner Wender

1. Road Commission meeting minutes of 1/8/13

U. Construction Code Commission - Commissioner Degenauer-None

V. Bay West Advisory Committee - Commissioner Martin-None

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 Martin - None

10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** Commissioner Martin

1. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to authorize the Clerk to advertise for applicants for the following:

Construction Board of Appeals – 5 two-year terms to expire 2/27/15

Economic Development – 7 six-year terms to expire 2/27/19

Fair Board - 3 three-year terms to expire 3/1/16

Planning Commission -3 three-year terms to expire 2/28/16

Northpointe – 1 three-year term to expire 3/31/16

Western U. P. Substance Abuse, one partial term to expire in 2015.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

11. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Martin to accept Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

12. Controller's Report.

Controller Pascoe stated the Collaboration Report has been sent to the State.

13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.

Commissioner Martin stated she is in favor of keeping Diana's position at MSU full time. She stated we should follow through with Steve Smith's request for some direction.

Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Stevens to send Todd Jastremski a letter thanking him for a job well done as Mine Inspector. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Martin stated she was disappointed in the City of Iron Mountain not supporting the resolution for 911. She stated everybody else did and everybody relies on 911 and the funds are necessary. She stated she was not aware of the \$1500 election expense.

Commissioner Stevens stated we should be aware of the 2% sales tax to raise funds for roads.

Commissioner Stevens stated he would volunteer to help Camp Molinaire. He stated the next few months are critical for 911. He stated we do not know what we will lose with the repeal of the personal property tax.

Commissioner Kramer stated the Camp Molinaire Board should hire their own part time person and be creative.

Commissioner Degenauer Jr. stated he feels strongly about 4-H and Camp Molinaire and would like Diana's job reinstated. He stated it is critical.

A Committee of the Whole meeting was set for January 30, 2013 at 6:30P.M. to discuss this again.

14. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to adjourn, subject to call of Chairman at 7:10P.M.

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly Cook, County Clerk

