

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, June 22, 2015 - 6:30 p.m.
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

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 and Vice Chairman Degenauer and Commissioners Kramer, Martin and Stevens.
Absent: None
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Sheriff Scott Celello and Controller Sonya Pugh,
4. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the agenda as written. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept the following meeting minutes as written:
Special Meeting – 06/03/2015
Regular Board Meeting – 06/08/ 2015
Degenauer Jr., Kramer, Martin (she abstained from the Regular meeting minutes because she was out of town), Stevens, Wender Ayes, Martin abstained from the June 8, 2015 meeting. Motion Carried
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
 - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Mike Miller, Iron Mountain, addressed the Board. He stated the executive Board of the Office of Veteran's Affairs did a good job in hiring him to replace Chuck Lantz, who is dealing with some medical issues at this time. He stated the Veterans are in good hands.
Jinx Brew, Iron Mountain, addressed the Board. She stated she hoped the Board would support the Braumart by approving the resolution. She thanked the Board.
 - B. Resolutions and Legislation –Commissioner Kramer
 1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve Alger County's resolution in support of maintaining the State of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Office in Alger County. All Ayes, Motion Carried
 2. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Martin to approve resolution 2015-10 in support of Friends of the Braumart. Degenauer Jr., Martin, Stevens and Wender Ayes, Kramer abstained. Motion Carried.
Commissioner Stevens stated the Braumart is part of our life and we all have fond memories.

DICKINSON COUNTY
RESOLUTION 2015-10
SUPPORTING FRIENDS OF THE BRAUMART
June 22, 2015

WHEREAS, the Braumart Theater has been a part of downtown Iron Mountain and Dickinson County, providing years of entertainment since it opened in 1925; and

WHEREAS, the Braumart is a cultural asset to the community and its renovation is invaluable in supporting local artists by providing affordable and modern facilities for the arts and

community activities in a beautiful, historic venue; and

WHEREAS, restoration of historic theaters enhances downtown districts and community identity, helps stimulate the local economy, encourages new business development and helps attract and retain quality employees to the area;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners supports The Friends of the Braumart's efforts to purchase, renovate and operate the historic Braumart Theater.

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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 June 22, 2015 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, June 22, 2015.

Dolly 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 June in the amount of \$203,214.97. Roll Call

Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Jr., Aye

Kramer Aye

Martin Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried.

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

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

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

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

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

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

H. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin-None

Commissioner Martin stated Interviews were held for three candidates for Karen Thekan's Job.

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Celeslo explained they have put a 60" TV in the conference room that will handle Power Points and some tele-conferencing. He stated this was purchased with a Homeland Security Grant. He further stated he will be pulling his deputies from the Airport that are doing TSA work. He stated we are losing 70 cents an hour. He stated the Sheriff's Department is under no obligation to do this and Kingsford Public Safety is close enough to do the job.

M. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

1. Fumee Lake Commission meeting minutes of 05/06/ 2015.

2. Parks update.

Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Martin, to authorize Sonya to set up a formal meeting with the townships about taking over the parks in their jurisdiction. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Wender stated if the millage fails, the parks could close.

Commissioner Kramer stated we should not close those that are generating money.

Commissioner Degenauer stated we are losing money on all the parks and we should not treat one any different than the other.

Controller Pugh stated the mine inspector stated that the downed trees at Fumee are not allowing him to check the safety of the mine shafts and he felt it was dangerous. He stated there are a lot of widow makers.

Controller Pugh explained the insurance coverage at Lake Antoine and Fumee, and it was not much. She stated it will cover fence damage and some overtime costs. She stated we have to pay the loggers. She stated it is covered for actual losses. She stated it will cover the losses from the campers who had reservations during the clean-up. She stated they will cover the water line damage and equipment rentals.

Eric Robinson, parks manager stated there were 200 trees down but the parks will be open on June 26th.

Commissioner Stevens thanked Eric for a job well done.

Commissioner Wender stated we should go to the Township Association meeting.

Commissioner Wender asked Commissioner Stevens to talk to the Fumee Lake Commission about cutting the trees that are down on County Property.

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

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to authorize the Chairman to sign T-hangar leases. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

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

County Clerk Dolly Cook stated the bank did not need a resolution and will accept certified copies of the approved minutes for the loan. Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated the interest rate is amazing.

P. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin

1. Library Board meeting minutes of 06/09/2015.

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-None

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. Audrey Smith thanked the Board

for their support for the Braumart.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Kramer-None
10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Kramer
 - A. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee to adopt the updated Freedom of Information policy and designate the County Clerk as the FOIA Coordinator. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
11. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
12. Controller's Report.
Controller Pugh stated the Veterans Court is going well and they have applied for a small grant.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Martin stated she has a conflict with the Bay West meetings and they do not want to change the meeting. She stated she is happy about the lease agreements and does the rent go back to the Fontana Trust? Controller Pugh stated the rent will go to Fontana Trust. Commissioner Martin stated she is happy the Post Office is still open and she hopes they will change their mind.
Commissioner Wender stated Joe Stevens was just appointed to the MAC Board and John Degenauer Jr., was appointed to the Upper Peninsula County Commissioners Association Board.
14. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to adjourn, Subject to the Call of Chairman at 7:05 P.M.

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly L Cook, County Clerk