

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, July 11, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Wender at 6:00 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 Stevens, Commissioners Degenaer, Kramer and Martin. (5)
Absent: None
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Prosecutor Lisa Richards, Sheriff Scott Ceello, Equalization Director Sid Bray, Controller Sonya Pugh, Admin. Asst. Dianah Fayas.
4. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept the agenda with the following additions:
7. F. DHHS/Community Services Agencies:
3. Request from DISCA for letter of support for grant application.
L. Public Safety and Judiciary
1. Request from Judge Slagle to retain Attorney Paula Aylward to contest Title IV-E funding reversal.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the following meeting minutes: 6/27/16 Regular Meeting All Ayes, Motion Carried.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
 - A. State Representative Ed McBroom
Representative Ed McBroom addressed the Board. He stated the State Budget had some unexpected pressures such as the Flint water problem and the Detroit School Systems. He stated they (State) have paid the debt down by \$20,000,000. He stated the Counties will receive about \$5,000 more from the State. He stated the new election machines will cost the State \$45,000,000 of which \$5,000,000 will have to be paid by the Cities and Townships at about \$2,000 per precinct. He talked about road funding. He stated the Dark Store legislation passed the House, but there is more opposition coming before the Senate votes. He stated he needs continued pressures to be put on Senators from MAC, and businesses. He stated he has put in legislation regarding term limits. He discussed many programs that will be coming and many bills that have been passed. He stated he appreciates this Board and thanked them. He stated he is proud to be from Dickinson County and he feels the State has created most of our problems. He stated many Counties are not handling these problems as well as Dickinson County.
The Board thanked McBroom for his service. `
 - B. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Mike Bronzyk, Quinnesec, addressed the Board. He asked Lisa Richards why he could not talk to Joe Stevens and if that is the case, can he talk to any of the Board? He stated he is not an employee of the County and never has been and is not a retiree. She did not reply. He thanked the Board.
There was no other participation.
 - C. Resolutions and Legislation –Commissioner Degenaer-None
7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**
 - A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Martin-None
 - 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. **DHHS / Community Services Agencies** – Commissioner Kramer
1. DHHS Board meeting minutes of 5/31/16.
 2. DICSA Board monthly meeting minutes for 12/2015 – 06/2016.
 3. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Martin to approve the request from DICSA for a letter of support for a grant application. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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| Degenauer Jr., | Nay | |
| Kramer | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | |
| Stevens | Nay | |
| Wender | Aye | Motion Carried. |
- G. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens
1. Board of Health meeting minutes of 6/29/16.
- H. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin
1. Northpointe Board meeting minutes of 6/6/16 and 6/9/16.
- I. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenauer
1. Pinecrest Board meeting minutes of 5/26/16.
- J. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer
1. Michigan Tax Tribunal appeal informational spreadsheet.
 Equalization Director Sid Bray explained the Michigan Tax Tribunal spreadsheet. He stated the potential losses from Verso are as follows: County \$206,000, Schools \$528,000, State-Ed \$127,000 and Breitung Township \$89,000 for a total of \$960,800.
 Potential Losses from Northern Star Ind. Are as follows: County \$51,162, School \$133,087, State Ed \$53,303 and City of Iron Mountain \$108,930 for a total of \$346,482.
 Known Loss from Pine Grove Country Club is as follows: County \$3007, School \$7822, State Ed \$1,848 and City of Iron Mountain \$6,402 for a total of \$19,079.
 Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Kramer to pay all Sid's Expenses for a meeting of Mac about the Dark Store Issue in Escanaba.
 All Ayes, Motion Carried,
- K. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- L. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender-
1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to increase Judge Sagle's attorney fees to reflect a \$2,500 retainer to Attorney Paula Aylward to contest Title IV-E funding reversal. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners

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

 Judge Sagle explained this is a good case to argue. He stated there is \$52,800 involved that the County may have to pay. He stated she has a good track record in these typed of cases.
 Commissioner Stevens stated we should fight this.
- M. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Martin to approve the request from DCHS to use the Fumee Lake Natural Area during their annual Lake Antoine Classic Race on August 6, 2016.
 All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- N. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None
- O. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- P. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin-None

- Q. **Employee Relations Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None
- R. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- S. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender
 1. Road Commission meeting minutes of 6/14/16.
- T. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- U. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None
8. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
 Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Kevin Pirlot, Iron Mountain addressed the Board. He stated Ed McBroom is accurate. He stated this Board should participate more. He stated we must be at the top of our game. He still thinks this Board is not receptive to the Citizens concerns. He stated again that the second Citizens Time should be after Unfinished and Old Business and Petitions and new Business.
 Chuck Lantz , Kingsford, addressed the Board. He stated our Veterans Office was #1 and now they cannot do their job with what they are getting. He stated there has got to be a way. He stated the State should pay the taxes the disabled vets do not have to pay.
 Samuel Parr, Iron Mountain, addressed the Board. He stated we need the Veteran's Office. He stated the VA is very busy and they need the Office. He stated with three they cannot keep up.
 There was no other participation.
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Degenauer
 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to nominate the following candidates for the four openings to the Solid Waste Planning Committee:

 Applicants: Representing City Government – Jordan Stanchina
 Representing Township Government – John Gaudette
 Representing General Public – Ann Hruska
 All Ayes, Motion Carried.
10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Degenauer
 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request from Mike Miller, Veterans' Affairs Office, to make a 15 minute presentation on VA statistics and a midyear office report at the next Finance or Regular Board Meeting.
 All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 County Clerk Dolly Cook stated she was asked at the last meeting to look into the Veteran's millage. She stated there are two things that can be done, a millage for a County Agency or an increase in the property tax limitation to support the existing Agency with a contract.
 Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to have a special meeting to talk about the Veteran's Millage and any other County Business on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
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. - None
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
 Commissioner Stevens stated it was good to see Chuck Lantz and he was in the Office many times.
 Commissioner Stevens stated to Kevin Pirlot that he has been to many meetings about the Dark Stores.
 He stated prayers to the men in Blue in St. Josephs County. He stated we have to support our Police and Fireman
 He thanked Sonya and stated it has been an honor to know her and has enjoyed working with her and he will miss her.
 Commissioner Kramer stated she will miss her too. She stated she wishes her the very best.
 Commissioner Degenauer Jr., was pleased we are working on the Veterans' millage.
 He stated we will be working with the Norway Senior Center to resolve the problems.
 Chairman Wender stated the Citizens Time is before the appointments and the people can approach the Board for their support and he did not think it should be moved.

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

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly L Cook, County Clerk