

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, July 27, 2015 - 6:30 p.m.
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wender at 6:30 P.M.
2. 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 Jr. and Commissioners Kramer, Stevens and Martin. (5)
Absent: None
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Sheriff Scott Ceello, Controller Sonya Pugh, Equalization Director Sid Bray, Prosecutor Lisa Richards and Admin. Asst. Dianah Fayas.
4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to accept the agenda with the following addition:
9. Unfinished Business and Old Business:
 1. Request from Habitat for Humanity- Menominee River for a letter from the Board discontinuing Dickinson County's role as the responsible entity/certifying officer for environmental reviews of property.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the following meeting minutes with an addition to the regular meeting minutes of July 13, 2015. Under #13, Commissioners Personal Privilege, second paragraph reads as follows: "Commissioner Martin stated she is concerned about the danger at Fumee Lake." It should read "**Commissioner Martin stated she is concerned about the danger at Fumee Lake as reported by the Mine Inspector due to the storm damage.**"
Regular Board Meeting – 07/13/15
Finance Meeting – 07/16/15
All Ayes, 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 Martin
 1. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the Implementation Plan for services to Upper Peninsula Older Adults.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.

DICKINSON COUNTY
Resolution 2015-11
Supporting U.P. Area Agency on Aging's 2016 Annual Implementation Plan
for Services to Upper Peninsula Older Adults.
July 27, 2015

WHEREAS, UPCAP, which serves as the U.P. Area Agency on Aging, is required to develop a 2016 Annual Implementation Plan that provides development and funding for programs to serve older adults in the Upper Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, during the 2016 Annual Implementation Plan development process, UPCAP conducted needs surveys, one public hearing, and received input from service providers, older adults, county officials, human services organizations, and other interested parties; and

WHEREAS, each U.P. county is represented by a county official on the UPCAP Board of

Directors; and

WHEREAS, the UPCAP Board of Directors has unanimously approved the proposed 2016 Annual Implementation Plan;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the U.P. Area Agency on Aging 2016 Annual Implementation Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be submitted to UPCAP and placed on file.

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 July 27, 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, this 27th day of July, 2015.

Dolly L. 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 2016 Budget Calendar. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
Chairman Wender stated if any dates need to be changed they can be changed in the future.

2. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request by Northpointe for the release of their 2015 2nd and 3rd quarter appropriations in the total amount of \$49,815.00. Roll Call Vote:
Commissioners:

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

3. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the monthly bills for July in the amount of \$160,149.39.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer	Aye	
Martin	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	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

1. Dickinson County Township Association meeting minutes of 05/18/15.
2. Dickinson County Planning Commission meeting minutes of 05/28/15.

- F. **DHS / Community Services Agencies** – Commissioner Kramer-None
 - G. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None
 - H. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin-None
Commissioner Martin explained they offered the CEO position to Jennifer McCarty, who is currently the Menominee Northpointe Director.
 - I. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenauer
1. Pinecrest amended meeting minutes of 05/28/15.
 - J. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
Equalization Director Sid Bray stated the State is doing an assessor audit. They have to score 90% or better to pass. He stated they are doing all ten units. He stated one of the things they look for are the timely filing of paperwork within units. He stated the State Tax Commission is doing the audit. He stated this just says the Assessor is doing what he or she should be doing.
 - K. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
 - L. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender-None
Sheriff Celeslo stated Council Member Smeester was in error when he said we receive \$1.54 per phone line for 911. He (Sheriff) stated we receive 68 cents per line. He stated this was printed in the “Letter to the Editor in the Daily News.”
 - M. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the request from the Hamilton Lakes Association to waive the pavilion rental fee for their picnic at Lake Mary on Saturday, August 1st. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request from Donna Schinderle to rent the County Band shell Aug. 13th for a dance performance. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 - N. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None
 - O. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer
1. Fair Board meeting minutes of 06/26/15.
 - P. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin
1. Library Board meeting minutes of 07/14/15.
 - 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
1. Construction Code Commission meeting minutes of 05/19/15.
 - V. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Martin-None
Commissioner Martin explained she had a conflict with the meetings at Bay College and stated Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated he could make the meetings and asked if his name would be placed on the chart for Committee appointments and the agenda.
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
 1. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the Request from Habitat for Humanity- Menominee River for a letter from the Board discontinuing Dickinson County's role as the responsible entity/certifying officer for environmental reviews of property. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
Chairman Wender stated he was uncomfortable signing the approval in the first letter. Controller Pugh stated we have no liability insurance if something were to go wrong. She contacted Habitat and HUD will do this in the future.
10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Martin
 - A. Dickinson Conservation District meeting minutes of 06/16/15, and Special Meeting minutes of 06/29/15.
 - B. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the Construction Code Representative Appointments submitted by the Municipalities: Breitung Township –
Denny Olson, Representative
John Gaudette, Representative (to fill the remainder of Joe Rogina's term)
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 - C. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to authorize the Chairman to sign a Program Determination Exemption at the request of the MSHDA Community Development grant Administrator. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
Commissioner Stevens stated he would like a formal letter sent to MSHDA that the County will not be doing this program in the future. He stated he hoped DICSA would.
 - D. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to require any independent contractor, including Court appointed attorneys, transcriptionists and any contract laborer listed in Dickinson County's Workers' Comp audit, to complete an Independent Contractor Statement annually as a provision of their compensation from Dickinson County, as per the County's Workers' Comp provider.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
11. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
12. Controller's Report. - None
Chairman Wender asked the Controller if we could get a report from the airport for the next meeting. She stated she would.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated an article in the Daily News, by our Sagola Editor, stated he (Degenauer Jr.) was actively involved in pursuing the government to put County Board of Commissioners on the Pinecrest Board. He stated that is false, he had nothing to do with that and it was done by Delta County Commissioners and it should be put in the paper like that, not that he was the leader of the pack.
Commissioner Kramer stated the Northwoods Garden Club has authorized spending \$80.00 to fix the flowers at Lake Antoine that were damaged by the Storm. She further stated they will be decorating the Vietnam Veteran's Moving Wall. She stated Mr. Alessandrini's flowers decorate most of downtown. Chairman Wender asked Controller Pugh to send a letter of thank-you to the Northwoods Garden Club
Commissioner Kramer stated she went to a tour of CCI through CUPPAD. She stated we are fortunate to have that company here. She stated they are adding on and creating two to four hundred jobs.
She read a statement as follows:
"In order to set the record straight and to respond to a letter to the editor that appeared in the Iron Mountain Daily News and to clarify a clerical error and any misconception it may have caused, I state the following:
I, Barbara Kramer, duly elected County Commissioner for District 3 in Dickinson County

have never been assigned to the Dickinson-Iron Community Services Agency Governing Board by Chairman Wender or anyone else in Dickinson County government, nor have I applied for a seat or been appointed to the Dickinson Iron County Community Services Agency Governing Board by the members of that Board”.

I respectfully request that my statement be entered verbatim into the County Board minutes of July 27, 2015. Thank you.

Commissioner Stevens stated he went to a Northwoods Rail Conference concerning the tiger grant for the production of new box cars between the two states. He stated it is moving forward and they will decide where these cars will be produced.

Commissioner Stevens stated the Mine Inspector keeps giving us these reports and he has some serious concerns that people are not taking him seriously about repairs of fences that need to be done.

Commissioner Stevens stated we should thank all those involved in getting the Vietnam Veterans Moving Wall here. He passed out the books for the ceremony times. He thanked the news for the great reporting. He thanked all those that sacrificed with the loss of loved ones. He stated a helicopter is also coming. He stated the community has been fantastic. He stated it is a big deal.

The Sheriff stated all municipalities are involved. He stated this is five counties. He stated the stats will make you cry.

Commissioner Martin stated the book is beautiful.

Commissioner Stevens stated 1900 were killed the first day and 1500 on the last day.

14. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Stevens to adjourn subject to the Call of Chairman at 7:02 P.M.

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly L. Cook, County Clerk