

# DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting – October 14, 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 Stephens and Commissioners Degenaer Jr., Kramer and Martin.  
(5)  
Absent: 0  
Also present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Prosecutor Lisa Richards, Lt. Derek Dixon, Equalization Director Sid Bray, Deputy Director of Emergency Services Pete Schlitt and Controller Nicole Frost
4. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the agenda with the following change:
  7. R Employee Relations Committee
    1. Closed Session to consider settlement strategy.  
This will be moved down between 13, Commissioners' Personal Privilege and Adjournment.  
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Stevens supported by Commissioner Martin to approve the following meeting minutes as written:

Regular Meeting – 9/23/13
Finance Committee – 9/19/13.

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 Stevens  
*Consider/Approve/Deny:*
    1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve Resolution 2013-12 honoring Betty Johnson as Citizen Patriot of the Year. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

## A Resolution # 2013-12 Honoring Betty Johnson As Citizen Patriot of the Year

WHEREAS, Betty Johnson served in the U.S. Air Force & U.S. Army during WWII from 1944-1946; and

WHEREAS, Betty eventually worked at the Pentagon for General Eisenhower; and

WHEREAS, Betty attended the Nuremberg Trials in 1946 with a select group of Service men and women; and

WHEREAS, upon fulfilling her service to the U.S. military, Betty returned home and taught Sunday school, directed a youth orchestra and taught swimming & lifesaving classes for over forty years; and

WHEREAS, Betty furthered her commitment to her community by serving as a 4-H leader, Den Mother & Boy Scout Merit Badge Counselor; and

WHEREAS, through the musical arts, Betty impacted the lives of her fellow citizens through her participation in numerous musicals, the Dickinson County Precisionaires Drill Team, and the White Beret Drum & Bugle Corps Parent's Club "Singing Strings".

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners is honored to recognize Betty Johnson as the very deserving 2013 Citizen Patriot of the Year.

YEAS:

NAYS:

This, 14TH day of OCTOBER, 2013.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**A. Finance Committee** - Finance Chairman Degenauer  
*Consider/Approve/Deny:*

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the monthly bills for September in the amount of \$227,775.68. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:  
Degenauer Jr., Aye  
Kramer Aye  
Martin Aye  
Stevens Aye  
Wender Aye Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to release the 2013 appropriation to the Breen Senior Center in the amount of \$19,840. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:  
Kramer Aye  
Martin Aye  
Stevens Aye  
Wender Aye  
Degenauer Jr., Aye Motion Carried.

**B. A-95 Review** - Commissioner Kramer-No report

**C. Crystal Lake Center/YMCA** - Commissioner Kramer-No report

**D. Six County Employment Alliance** - Commissioner Stevens-No report

**E. Planning and Zoning Committee** - Commissioner Kramer-No report

**F. DHS/Community Services Agencies** - Commissioner Kramer

1. DHS Board meeting minutes of 8/26/13.

**G. Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Kramer-No report

**H. Northpointe** - Commissioner Martin.

1. Northpointe Board meeting minutes of 9/26/13.

**I. Pincrest** - Commissioner Degenauer.-No report

**J. Equalization Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer.-No report

**K. Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-No report

**L. Public Safety and Judiciary** - Commissioner Wender-No report

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the proposal from Van Ert Electric in the amount of \$4,995, for the provision and installation of cabling and hardware. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:  
Martin Aye  
Stevens Aye  
Wender Aye  
Degenauer Jr., Aye  
Kramer Aye Motion Carried.

Schlitt stated they wanted to use the old infrastructure of the telephone system but it was not functional. He stated this is why we need these motions.

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the quotation from Teck Solutions in the amount of \$3,500, for a dell 5548 POE Switch. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:  
Stevens Aye  
Wender Aye  
Degenauer Jr., Aye  
Kramer Aye  
Martin Aye Motion Carried.

Commissioner Stevens asked if this was bid out? Schlitt stated he is not aware of any other people who sell this. Frost explained it met our policy for a sole source purchase.

**M. Parks Committee** - Commissioner Stevens-No report  
Commissioner Stevens stated the parks are closed and we do not have final figures yet and a parks tour will be scheduled in the spring. He thanked everyone who used the parks during the summer.

**N. Airport Committee** - Commissioner Wender

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve MDOT Contract No. 2013-0514, and accompanying Resolution 2013-13 authorizing Chairman Henry Wender to sign said contract, which will provide up to \$2,000 in reimbursement for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) Training. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

## **DICKINSON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2013-13**

“Authorize Chairman Henry Wender to sign MDOT Contract 2013-0514, which provides up to \$2,000 for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) Training.”

Approved: Regular Board Meeting of: 10/14/13

Moved by: Commissioner

Supported by: Commissioner

Vote on Motion:

### Certification

I, Dolly Cook, the duly appointed, qualified and Acting Clerk of the County of Dickinson, State of 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 10/14/13 is a true and correct copy 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, State of Michigan, this 14th day of October, 2013.

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Dolly Cook, Clerk

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to approve MDOT Contract No. 2013-0528, and accompanying Resolution 2013-14 authorizing Chairman Henry Wender to sign MDOT Contract No. 2013-0528, which provides for a State share of \$31,400 and a local share of \$3,489 for Interior door ADA modification, and repairs to the water pump on the ARFF vehicle. (Note: Reimbursement for recent \$10,245 repair bill for the Airport Truck.) Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

## **DICKINSON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2013-14**

“Authorize Chairman Henry Wender to sign MDOT Contract 2013-05258, which provides for a State share of \$31,400, and a local share of \$3,489 for Interior door ADA modification at Ford Airport, and repairs to the water pump on the ARFF vehicle.”

Approved: Regular Board Meeting of: 10/14/13

Moved by: Commissioner

Supported by: Commissioner

Vote on Motion:

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Chairman Wender stated enplanements were up 55% in June, 45% in July and 19% in August.

**O. Fair Board** - Commissioner Degenauer-No report

**P. Library Board** - Commissioner Ann Martin-No report

**Q. Dickinson Partnership/Economic Dev.** - Commissioner Stevens-No report

**R. Employee Relations Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-No report

1. Closed Session to consider settlement strategy. (Moved to the end of meeting between 13 and 14.)

**S. Dickinson County Hospital Committee** - Commissioner Stevens-No report

**T. Dickinson County Road Commission** - Commissioner Wender

1. Road Commission meeting minutes of 9/10/13.

**U. Construction Code Commission** - Commissioner Degenauer-No report

**V. Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Martin

1. Bay West Advisory Committee meeting minutes of 6/27/13.

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 Stevens - None

10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** Commissioner Stevens  
*Consider/Approve/Deny:*

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request from the Upper Peninsula Association of Rural Health Services, Inc. for a letter of support for continued Federal funding. All Ayes, Motion carried.

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

12. Controller's Report.

Controller Frost stated interviews were held Friday for the MSU Extension part-time secretary. She stated the DNR audit is going well. Chairman Wender asked if we owned the snowmobile trail in Felch or does the Road Commission? Frost stated the county owns all 128 acres. She stated Sid gave her all the documentation. She stated the easement issue with the DNR is going well and we have to make a decision about mitigating property to replace easement property. She further stated she attended a Northwoods Rail Transit Commission meeting with Chairman Wender in September. She stated they received the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Rail Study, which is very informative. She stated they accepted Michigan Counties and no money, no vote. She stated our thoughts and prayers are with Aaron Harper for a speedy recovery.

13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.

Commissioner Martin stated the paving up at the Pine Mountain Veterans' Memorial is beautiful. She would like to see the rest finished.

Commissioner Stevens thanked Breitung Township for their work at the Veteran's Memorial. He thanked them also for the ramp at the site.

Commissioner Kramer stated she attended the Natural Resources Commission meeting and heard a lot of feedback about grouse hunting, bird hunting and the glider museum by the people here from the State.

Commissioner Degenauer Jr. stated the U.P. State Fair board will consider the per diem pay discussed at a

previous Board meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to go into closed session to consider the settlement strategy at 6:53P.M. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to go back into regular session at 7:07 P.M.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the proposed settlement agreement subject to the review and approval of the Prosecuting Attorney. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

14. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to adjourn, subject to Call of Chairman at 7:06 P.M.

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Henry Wender, Chairman

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Dolly L Cook, County Clerk



