

DICKINSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting – Monday, November 11, 2013
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom - 6:30 p.m.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wender at 6:30 P.M.
Chairman Wender asked for a moment of silence in honor of Veteran's Day.

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, Prosecutor Lisa Richards, Sheriff Scott Celesello and Controller Nicole Frost.

4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to accept the agenda as written.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.

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

Regular Meeting – 10/28/13

Committee of the Whole – 10/28/13

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

Approve/Deny:

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the Dickinson County Fair Housing Resolution 2013-17.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

DICKINSON COUNTY
FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION
#2013 – 17

WHEREAS, under the Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, color, religion, gender, physical or mental disabilities or national origin; and,

WHEREAS, under the Michigan Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, PA 453 of 1976, as amended, it is illegal to deny the opportunity to obtain housing to any person because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status. Therefore, **Dickinson County** does hereby pass the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with Executive Order 11063, **Dickinson County** shall not discriminate in the sale, rental, leasing, or financing of housing because of religion, race, color, gender, physical or mental disabilities, national origin, age, height, weight, familial status, or marital status;

Dickinson County will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of religion, race, color, gender, physical or mental disabilities, national origin, age, height, weight, familial status, or marital status to seek equity under federal and state laws by providing information to said persons on how to file a complaint with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights.

Dickinson County will at minimum post this policy or the Fair Housing poster or other posters, flyers or other information which will bring to the attention of owners of real estate, developers and builders their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law and Michigan Elliott Larsen Act.

This Resolution shall take effect as of the date listed below.

Henry Wender, Chairman
Dickinson County

Date

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 the Regular meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Dickinson County, State of Michigan Held on ___/___/___ 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 _____ day of _____, 2013.

Dolly Cook, Clerk

Controller Frost explained this was a requirement because she is the coordinator for the MSHDA Fair Housing Grant.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

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

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request of Northpointe for their 3rd and 4th quarter appropriations in the total amount of \$49,630.

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 Kramer to approve payment of the Partnership membership for 11/1/13-12/31/13 (pro-rated) in the amount of \$668. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

3. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept the conveyance of the 2014 Recommended Budget to the Board from the Controller. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Controller Frost gave a brief outline of the budget. (A budget workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 6:00 P.M.)

4. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the Treasurer's Trial Balance and Budget Status Reports for the period ending 10/31/2013. All Ayes, 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-No report

G. Dickinson-Iron Health Department – Commissioner Kramer

1. Board of Health meeting minutes of 10/30/13.

H. Northpointe - Commissioner Martin.

1. Northpointe Board meeting minutes of 10/24/13.

Commissioner Stevens stated all bid amounts received should be in the minutes to compare. He also asked about a 4% raise for Karen Thekan. Commissioner Martin explained Ms. Thekan asked for a 2% raise but the Board thought she should receive 4% because she has not received a raise for two years. She stated she has been there for 10 years and the Board felt she has done a wonderful job.

- I. Pincrest** - Commissioner Degenauer.-No report
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated the CEO is no longer employed and the Director of Nursing is the Temporary CEO.
- 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
Commissioner Wender stated he went and saw the progress in Dispatch and stated the Consoles have arrived and will be put in shortly.
- M. Parks Committee** - Commissioner Stevens-No report
- N. Airport Committee** - Commissioner Wender
Approve/Deny:
1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the termination of a land lease with Robert Tice, due to the death of Mr. Tice and the sale of the hangar on the property. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 2. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the Chairman to execute a land lease with Jason Hall, the new owner of the former Tice hangar.
Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye
Degenauer Jr., Aye
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye Motion Carried.
 3. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the purchase of parts for the Airport snow removal equipment from D.A. MacPherson, Inc. in the amount of \$3,911.72. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Wender Aye
Stevens Aye
Martin Aye
Kramer Aye
Degenauer Jr., Aye Motion Carried.
 4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the purchase of parts for the Airport snow removal equipment from H & L Mesabi in the amount of \$860.75. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Degenauer Jr., Aye
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye Motion Carried.
- O. Fair Board** - Commissioner Degenauer
1. Fair Board meeting minutes of 7/2/13.
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated he would talk to the Secretary about getting the minutes to the Board in a more timely manner.
- 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
- S. Dickinson County Hospital Committee** - Commissioner Stevens-No report
Commissioner Stevens stated there has been one meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee. Commissioner Martin asked if there were any minutes? Commissioner Stevens stated they were in “Closed Session.” Frost noted it was not a “closed session” but rather it was not an open meeting.
- T. Dickinson County Road Commission** - Commissioner Wender-No report
- U. Construction Code Commission** - Commissioner Degenauer-No report
- V. Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Martin-No report

8. Citizens’ Time: (Limited to five minutes per person):
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizen’s Time and there was no participation.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Stevens

Approve/Deny:

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Kramer to appointment Ray Anderson to the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee from the Solid Waste Industry. All Ayes, Motion Carried
Controller Frost explained Nick Ghere applied but he is not qualified because he lives in Wisconsin.

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

Approve/Deny:

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens supported by Commissioner Degenae Jr., to approve the request of Mine Inspector Steve Smith for an increase of 100 hours. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Degenae Jr., Aye
Kramer Nay
Martin Nay
Stevens Aye
Wender Nay Motion Failed
2. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to increase the Mine Inspectors hours by 40 hours. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Nay
Degenae Jr., Aye Motion Carried.

Smith explained he cannot get all the work done with the hours that remain. There was a lengthy discussion.

11. Motion by Commissioner Stevens 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 explained the MSHDA Grant program, the program guidelines and informed the Board that only 5 counties in the U.P. got the grant.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Degenae Jr., was disappointed with the number of hours given to the Mine Inspector and stated that Safety should be our number 1 priority.
Martin stated she was proud of the 5 counties that got the MSHDA Grant. She further stated that Jim Anderson's article in the paper on taxes was very informative. She also stated when she was young, she didn't always support our veterans, but now she salutes them and thanks them.
Commissioner Stevens stated we have to advertise more for passports being offered in the Treasurers' Office. He further stated the article about Guy Forstrom and the fire truck was very interesting and he "Keeps the past alive."
Chairman Wender stated that Jeff Heino will be leaving DISCA. He stated he went above and beyond what he had to do and he will be missed.
14. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Kramer to adjourn, subject to Call of Chairman at 7:30 P.M.

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly L Cook, County Clerk

***** There is no tape for this meeting. The card was not working properly.

