

**DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, November 28, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom**

Tape 248

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Wender at 6:00 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, Vice Chairman Stevens and Commissioners Degenaer, Kramer and Martin. (5)  
Absent; None  
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Controller Brian Bousley, and Admin Asst. Dianah Fayas.
4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer supported by Commissioner Martin to accept the agenda with the following deletions.
  7. U-1. DELETE
    1. Presentation of the Bay de Noc Community College financial statements and supplementary information for years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, by Mr. Kevin Carlson, Vice President of Finance at Bay West Campus. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the following meeting minutes as written:
  - Special Meeting – Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Committee of the Whole – Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Committee of the Whole – Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Regular Meeting – Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Finance Meeting – Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> All Ayes, Motion Carried.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**

Commissioner Martin introduced the following students from Mr. Hogberg's Iron Mountain Government Class: Jacob Strutz, Gary Dabb, Alice Henderson, Brandon Wilcox, Gage Theisen, Jordan Weslin, Danielle Bjorkman and Angela Carollo.

  - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)  
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Sandra Adams, Quinnesec addressed the Board. She stated Breitung Township and the citizens who signed the petitions have not changed their minds. She stated the short notice that this was on the agenda is not appreciated.  
Dan Carlson, Quinnesec, addressed the Board. He stated he agreed with Sandy. He stated the main access to the landfill is Quinnesec and we do not want the whole U.P. dumping anything at our landfill. He too complained about the timing of this meeting and the short notice given. He stated wouldn't it be great for Great American Disposal to be able to fill their trucks coming back from Alger?  
Ernie Luri addressed the Board. He stated the last time you agreed and now they are bringing it back again. We want our voices heard.  
Rita Luri, Quinnesec, addressed the Board. She stated she is disappointed on how this committee is working. She is totally against it. She asked how can we trust you? We don't want to be the landfill capital of the U.P. She stated Lincoln avenue is not a good place for all these trucks. She thanked the Board.
  - B. Resolutions and Legislation –Commissioner Martin
    1. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve Resolution 2016-14 exempting Dickinson County from requirements of PA152 for calendar year 2017, pursuant to the authority granted under Section 8 of PA152 of 2011. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

**DICKINSON COUNTY**  
**RESOLUTION 2016-14**  
**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL EXEMPTION OPTION**  
**AS SET FORTH IN 2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE**  
**CONTRIBUTION ACT**

The Dickinson County Board of Commissioners respectfully submits the following

resolution:

WHEREAS, 2011 Public Act 152 (the "Act") was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act:

- 1) Section 3 - "Hard Caps" Option - limits a public employer's total annual health care costs for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
- 2) Section 4 - "80%/20%" Option - limits a public employer's share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the governing body;
- 3) Section 8 - "Exemption" Option - a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by an annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

WHEREAS, the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners has decided to adopt the annual Exemption Option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners, acting pursuant to the authority granted a county under Section 8 of P.A. 152, hereby exempts Dickinson County from the requirements of P.A. 152 of 2011 for calendar year 2017.

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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 November 28, 2016 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 28th day of November, 2016.

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Dolly L. Cook, Clerk

Controller Bousley explained the process.

2. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request by the County Treasurer to adopt Resolution 2016-15, the 2017 Borrowing Resolution as prepared by Clark Hill PLC for the purchase of 2016 delinquent taxes from the local taxing units. All Ayes, Motion Carried. This resolution is on file in the County Clerk's Office as it is 19 pages.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Martin

1. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the monthly bills for November in the amount of \$147,720.27. Roll Call Vote:  
Commissioners:  
Degenaer 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

1. Dickinson County Township Association meeting minutes of Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>.
2. Dickinson Conservation District meeting minutes of Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>.

- F. **DHHS / DICSA** – Commissioner Kramer
  - 1. DICSA meeting minutes of Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>.
- G. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- H. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin
  - 1. Northpointe meeting minutes of Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>.
- I. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- J. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- K. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- L. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer supported by Commissioner Martin to approve the request by Sheriff Elect Rutter to attend the Michigan Sheriffs’ Association New Sheriffs’ Leadership Institute in Lansing, MI at an approximate cost of \$100. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- M. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- N. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None
- O. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenaer
  - 1. Fair Board meeting minutes of Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.
- P. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin
  - 1. Library Board meeting minutes of Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Q. **Employee Relations Committee** - Commissioner Degenaer-None
- R. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- S. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender-None
- T. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- U. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenaer-None

8. Citizens’ Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)  
 Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens’ Time. Larry Lindholm, Quinnesec addressed the Board. He stated he is against the expansion of the landfill. He also did not like the short notice about this meeting. He stated this change will only open it up to more changes. He asked is 15 trucks the true maximum? He stated the owners’ interest is only money. He stated please take into consideration the people who live on the street in question.  
 Ron LaLond addressed the Board. He stated that is 15 trucks in and 15 trucks back out. He stated we have a nice County and we don’t need this.  
 Bill Rice, member of the Solid Waste Committee, addressed the board. He stated they mean 15 trucks per day period! He stated there is no limit now.  
 Steven Roell, Quinnesec, addressed the Board. He stated he is opposed. He stated he is concerned about the environment.  
 There was no other participation.

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

- A. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Degenaer Jr., to deny Dickinson County’s Solid Waste Management Planning Committee’s proposed amendment to the Dickinson County Solid Waste Management Plan and authorizes the Chairman to execute resolution relative to the same:
  - Allow for the importation of Type III wastes from the 14 Upper Peninsula counties for disposal at the existing Niagara Development Type III landfill in Breitung Township, with a maximum of 15 truckloads per day with each truck carrying no more than 24 tons of waste to the landfill from all U.P. counties, including Dickinson County.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

Motion Carried.

Commissioner Kramer is member of that Board and she stated she was not at that meeting. She stated all involved should work together for a solution and if they do she would re-consider.  
 Commissioner Stevens stated he understands the road safety issue. He stated maybe there

should be some road patrols. He stated the people's voice and the petitions were his deciding factor but he said he had a concern for Grede.

Commissioner Martin explained the process.

Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated he liked the 15 truck limit.

Commissioner Wender stated the County Board was not trying to slip anything past anybody.

Commissioner Kramer stated that the residents should contact Breitung Township about increased enforcement on that road.

Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated maybe they need a truck traffic route established.

Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to recommend A 15 truck load per day of 24 tons per load and just Dickinson County only.

Commissioner Degenauer Jr., rescinded his motion and Commissioner Kramer rescinded her support.

Commissioner Kramer stated this may limit businesses and this is why they rescinded their motion.

10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Martin

A. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve rescheduling the Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting to Tuesday, December 27 at 6:00 P.M. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve adoption of personnel policy governing job vacancy protocols. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:  
Wender           Aye  
Stevens          Aye  
Martin           Aye  
Kramer           Aye  
Degenauer Jr., Aye                    Motion Carried.  
(The policy is on file in the County Clerk's Office)

C. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve adoption of the policy governing Commissioner compensation for meetings. All Ayes, Motion Carried. On those Committees where there is no alternate, a substitute would be covered. (The policy is on file in the County Clerk's Office.)

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

12. Controller's Report.  
Controller Bousley stated the budget is complete. He stated he is working on the Veteran's By-laws. He explained how the ballots would work for the Veteran appointments to that Department.

13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.  
Commissioner Stevens asked if we can get the agenda on the website.  
Commissioner Kramer stated she had photos of Lake Antoine.  
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated there was a meeting with Mr. Haakala and the Iron County Chairman was there and it delayed the meeting. He asked why was Iron County there?  
Commissioner Stevens stated he was invited by Judge Schwedler and Judge Ninomiya and he had no problem with him being there.  
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated their issue was completely different than ours.  
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated the DICS meeting will be at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, December 2, 2016.  
County Clerk Dolly Cook explained the recount. She stated we will receive \$125.00 per precinct. She stated Dickinson County will be stuck with much of the expense. She stated it will be very interesting.

14. Motion by Commissioner Martin supported by Commissioner Kramer to adjourn, Subject to Call of Chairman at 6:50 P.M.

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Henry Wender, Chairman

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Dolly L. Cook, County Clerk