

**DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Monday, July 11, 2011 - 6:30 p.m.

Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

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 Smith and Commissioners Degenauer Jr., Martin and Stevens. (5)

Absent: (0)

Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Sheriff Scott Ceello, Administrative Assistant Sonya Pugh and Controller Kay Pascoe.

4. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Smith to accept the Agenda with the following additions:

6.A. Communications and Legislation:

1. Introduce the newly appointed County Treasurer, Lorna Carey, appointed by the Appointment Committee consisting of the County Prosecutor, The Probate Judge and the County Clerk. Lorna will be sworn in tomorrow morning at 9:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom.

2. Citizens' Time (Limited to five minutes per person)

7.N. 3 Airport

1. Approve the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole to replace the north and east rubber roofs on the terminal with sloped metal roofs and to accept the bid of Superior Steel in the amount of \$14,985 plus Alternate #1 which is a deduct of \$787 and Alternate #2 which is an additional cost of \$2,159 for a total cost of \$16,357.

Other bids:	Rubber Roof	
	The Markell Company	\$9,863
	Lake State Roofing	18,755

	Sloped Metal Roof	
	Lake State Roofing	39,980

7.R2 Employee Relations

2. Authorize the County Treasurer to fill the newly vacated position of Chief Deputy Treasurer.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

5. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the following meeting minutes as written: Regular Meeting - 6/27/11

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**

1. County Clerk Dolly Cook introduced Lorna Carey as the Dickinson County Treasurer to replace Margie Tarsi, who retired. She stated there were 7 applicants for the position, and the Committee interviewed

4. She stated they advertised twice. She stated there are no qualifications for this position but the Committee felt a strong accounting background would be needed. She stated the Appointment Committee, consisted of Prosecutor Stephanie Brule, Probate Judge Tom Slagle and the County Clerk Dolly Cook.. She stated Lorna was chosen and she has been with the County for 12 years. Cook explained she will have to run for office next year. Cook explained she has worked with Lorna for these twelve years and she has been wonderful to work with and knows the job well. Lorna thanked the Appointment Committee. She stated she loved Dickinson County and she is excited to serve as Treasurer. Chairman Wender welcomed Lorna on behalf of the Board. County Clerk Cook stated she will be sworn in tomorrow at 9:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom and everyone was welcome.

2. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)

Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens Time. Dan Pietrantonio, Iron Mountain, addressed the Board. He stated he was disappointed because Larry Rusch was not appointed to the Planning Board. He stated he appeared before the Board in April because Larry Rusch was not appointed in March. He stated there are only three requirements for becoming a member of the planning Commission and he meets all three. He stated he is a school Board member for North Dickinson School, President of the Senior Center in Sagola and he teaches Sunday School at his church. He stated there are nine uncompensated members on the planning Commission and anybody requesting to be on this Committee should be considered. He asked the Board to reconsider his (Larry Rusch) appointment. There was no other participation.

B. Resolutions and Legislation - Commissioner Stevens

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Smith to approve a Resolution from the UP Area Agency on Aging for the FY 2012 Area Plan. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

7. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. Finance Committee - Finance Chairman John Degenauer, Jr.

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept the Treasurer's Trial Balance and Budget Status reports for the period ending 6/30/11. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve a request from the District Court Judge to attend the Annual District Judges' Judicial Conference in Traverse City on August 11-12th at an approximate cost of \$700. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Jr. Aye
Martin Aye
Smith Nay
Stevens Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried.

Commissioner Stevens stated he (Judge Ninomiya) will only be attending one conference this year. Commissioner Smith stated he voted no because it was over \$500.00.

3. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Smith to release the 2011 appropriation in the amount of \$4,200 to the County Band. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin Aye
Smith Aye
Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer Jr. Aye Motion Carried.

Commissioner Smith stated he attended their last concert and it lasted 2 hours and was very well attended. He stated they thanked the Board for their contribution.

B. A-95 Review - Commissioner Joe Stevens - No Report

C. Crystal Lake Center/YMCA - Commissioner Frank Smith .

Commissioner Smith stated the DNR will be approving the quit claim deed in about two weeks.

Chairman Wender stated we should meet with the YMCA Board and see if they are ready to accept the Community Center.

D. Six County Employment Alliance - Commissioner Frank Smith

Commissioner Smith stated they received between 2-3 million dollars of stimulus money.

E. Planning and Zoning Committee - Commissioner Joe Stevens - No Report

F. DHS/Community Services Agencies - Commissioner Smith

Chairman Wender stated DICSA has spent \$1,000 on Attorney Fees for the lawsuits concerning the Opens Meeting Act violations. Commissioner Smith stated the suit has been dismissed.

G. Dickinson-Iron Health Department - Commissioner Smith - No Report

H. Northpointe - Commissioner Ann Martin - No Report

I. Pinecrest - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr.

Commissioner Smith asked what the labor agreements paid for increases and are the administrators going to get a raise?

1. Pinecrest Meeting Minutes of 5/26/11.

J. Equalization Committee - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr. - No Report

K. Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling- Commissioner Smith - No Report

L. Public Safety and Judiciary - Commissioner Henry Wender

Sheriff Celello said there was no interest on the boat. He will park the boat outside and put a sign on the boat.

Commissioner Stevens asked if the boat could be given away for a charity? Sheriff Celello said he would check on it.

M. Parks Committee - Commissioner Joe Stevens

Commissioner Stevens stated the triathalon went well.

N. Airport Committee - Commissioner Henry Wender

2. Passenger Activity Reports for May and June.

Controller Pascoe stated for May the enplanements last year were 562 and this year they were 842 for an increase of 34%. She stated for June of last year they were 544 and this year they were 1097 for a 51% increase. She stated this was an amazing increase.

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole to replace the north and east rubber roofs on the terminal with sloped metal roofs and to accept the bid of Superior Steel in the amount of \$14,985 plus Alternate #1 which is a deduct of \$787 and Alternate #2 which is an additional cost of \$2,159 for a total cost of \$16,357. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Smith	Nay	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.	Aye	
Martin	Aye	Motion Carried.

Commissioner Smith stated he is concerned because he does not know what this is going to look like. He stated there was also no drawing showing the clearance. Commissioner Stevens stated he has no problem with what is being done. Commissioner Martin stated it looks very good so far.

O. Fair Board - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr. - No Report

P. Library Board - Commissioner Ann Martin - No Report

Q. Dickinson Partnership/Economic Dev. - Commissioner Joe Stevens - No Report

R. Employee Relations Committee - Commissioner Frank Smith

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr. to authorize the Probate Judge to fill a full-time position due to a retirement. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.	Aye	
Martin	Aye	
Smith	Nay	Motion Carried.

Pascoe stated there are three officers at this point. Sheriff Celello stated Wayne's case load is very heavy.

2. Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Stevens to authorize the County Treasurer to fill the newly vacated position of Chief Deputy Treasurer. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Wender	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Smith	Aye	
Martin	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.	Aye	Motion Carried.

S. Dickinson County Hospital Committee - Commissioner Joe Stevens - No Report

T. Dickinson County Road Commission - Commissioner Henry Wender

3. Road Commission meeting minutes of 6/20/11.

U. Construction Code Commission - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr. - No Report

V. Bay West Advisory Committee - Ann Martin - No Report

8. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person):

Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Barb Kramer, Iron Mountain, addressed the Board. She suggested putting the job openings and the sale of the boat on the website. She also stated the downtown park will be dedicated this Thursday to Magee Johnson and Joan Flood. She stated she has used the airport and has been very pleased. She thanked the Board for the Airport. There was no other participation.

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

1. Fumee Lake Commission: One 3-year terms to expire 7/14/14, and
Balance of a term to expire 7/14/12

Motion by Commissioner Stevens to nominate the following three applicants for a three year term, to expire 7/14/2014: David Irwin, Christina Kionka and Lucy Shampo. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Jr. Shampo
Martin Shampo
Smith Shampo
Stevens Shampo
Wender Shampo

Lucy Shampo was appointed to the Fumee Lake Commission for a three year term to expire 7/14/2014.

Motion by Commissioner Stevens to nominate the following applicants: Dave Irwin and Christina Kionka for partial term to the Fumee Lake Commission to expire 7/14/2012. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin Irwin
Smith Kionka
Stevens Kionka

Wender Irwin
Degenauer Jr. Kionka

Christina Kionka was appointed to a partial term on the Fumee Lake Commission to expire 7/14/2012.

10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Stevens - None

11. Motion by Commissioner Smith, supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept Committee Reports and Correspondence and Place on File. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

12. Controller's Report.

Controller Pascoe congratulated Lorna. She stated they have worked well together.

13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.

Commissioner Martin asked Kay to call the mine inspector to address his concerns in his annual report.

She stated Barb had an excellent idea about the website and thanked her. She thanked her for her compliments about the airport.

Commissioner Stevens asked who keeps the website up? County Clerk Dolly Cook stated they will be updating the website and adding the items for sale and the job openings.

Commissioner Stevens also commented on the Larry Rusch non-appointment. He stated he doesn't understand why we can't put him on the Planning Commission and he asked the Board to reconsider.

Chairman Wender stated he wanted to set the record straight about why he did not vote for Larry Rusch. He stated his reason was not because Larry Rusch ran against him, he had other reasons. Commissioner Smith stated after hearing his background his vote may have been different. He stated this is why he should put this kind of thing in his letter.

Commissioner Degenauer Jr. stated these decisions are important. He stated we need more information.

14. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to adjourn, Subject to Call of Chairman at 7:13 P.M. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly L. Cook, County Clerk

