

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
November 12, 2014
6:00 p.m. – Elk Township Hall

Chairman Walls called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

County Clerk Shelly Myers gave the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

County Clerk Shelly Myers called the roll with the following Commissioners present:

Colleen Carrington-Atkins, John Fairbanks, Robert Myers, Dan Sloan and Karl Walls.

Commissioner Stenger was absent and excused, and Commissioner Clarke will arrive late.

Commissioner Fairbanks moved that the agenda be approved as presented seconded by Commissioner Myers, and by voice vote carried.

Commissioner Fairbanks moved to accept the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2014, seconded by Commissioner Myers, some discussion, and by voice vote carried.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT – *Limited to 5 minutes each, please!*

No persons present wished to speak.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval for the purchase requisition from Lake County Sheriff’s Department/RRP Center to Bob Barker for mattresses and pillows for the total of \$2,129.54, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, roll call vote 5 yes and 1 absent for the vote, Commissioner Clarke, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins moved for approval for the purchase requisition from Lake County Sheriff’s Department/Road Patrol to Gingrich Tire Center for snow tires in the total amount of \$3,237.12, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, roll call vote 5 yes and 1 absent for the vote, Commissioner Clarke, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins moved for approval for the purchase requisition from Maintenance to Reed City Glass to remove and replace the Power Operator on the Public Courthouse Entry for the total cost of \$4,156.15 with a budget amendment forthcoming for this, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, roll call vote 5 yes and 1 absent for the vote, Commissioner Clarke, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins moved for approval for the purchase requisition from Lake County Sheriff’s Department/Road Patrol to Bill SnethKamp for the purchase of 2- 2014 Dodge Chargers for the total cost of \$50,744.00 and to be paid from the 2014 Fund Balance, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, roll call vote 5 yes and 1 absent for the vote, Commissioner Clarke, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

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Commissioner Clarke arrived at 6:18 p.m.

Discussion followed regarding the 8 items from Finance that arose out of the Budget Hearings.

Commissioner Sloan moved to Table #5 D and #5 H until the next meeting, December 10, 2014, so that Commissioner Stenger is available to discuss, Seconded by Commissioner Carrington-Atkins, roll call vote, 6 yes, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Chairman Walls asked if any Commissioner had any interest in moving to approve the increase for the Deputy 911 Director for 2015 and with no interest or motion, item was not discussed.

Commissioner Myers moved for the approval of the COLA increase to be 1.7% per Social Security increase for 2015, for all elected officials, the same as the Department Heads, seconded by Commissioner Carrington-Atkins. Discussion followed with Commissioner Sloan stating his reasons for voting NO, and urged his colleagues to vote the same, roll call vote, 3 Yes, 3 NO, Commissioners Fairbanks, Myers, and Sloan, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger, MOTION FAILS.

Commissioner Clarke moved to approve the CFO increase to \$25,000.00 for 2015, seconded by Commissioner Myers, Discussion followed, with Commissioner Carrington-Atkins stating that this was not what was presented back in September, roll call vote, 4 yes, 2 NO, Commissioner Sloan and Carrington-Atkins, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Sloan moved to table the approval of the Maintenance Supervisor Stipend increase, for further information, seconded by Commissioner Myers, roll call vote, 6 yes, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Sloan moved to table the approval that personal items such as printers and mobile access are not to be used for County Use, as it was his understanding that this request was for purchase not a policy, seconded by Commissioner Myers, voice vote carried.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval and authorization for signature for the Memorandum of Understanding between Lake County and MSU Extension for 2015 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, discussion followed.

Commissioner Clarke stated that they are asking for a 3% increase and she would like a break down as she can't be sure that all of the 3% will not go directly to the 4-H Coordinator for his salary. Commissioner Sloan explained the MSU Memorandum of Understanding and the benefits that Lake County receives. It was stated that the 3% is for all services. Roll call vote, 6 yes, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval for the 2014 Apportionment report as presented by Equalization Director at the Finance Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Carrington-Atkins, roll call vote 6 yes, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Sloan moved to approve the 2015 Appropriations for DHS for per diems and mileage only for the 2 County appointed board members, based on their meeting schedule, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, roll call vote, 5 yes, 1 NO, Commissioner Carrington-Atkins, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

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Commissioner Sloan moved for payment of bills by fund with the deletion of the check in the amount of \$310.00 to reimburse Belinda Barbier for her Bar Dues, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, roll call vote, 5 yes, 1 NO, Commissioner Clarke, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Sloan moved for payment of bills by fund as follows

General Fund	\$84,701.08
Road Patrol	9,483.38
E911	3,464.13
RRP Center	37,290.70
Friend of the Court	78.79
Building Inspection Department	9,119.36
Register of Deeds Automation Fund	5,403.96
E911Service Fund – Wireless	1,021.75
Law Library	326.52
Child Care-Probate	23,069.78
JABG Grant 2013-2014	2,631.44
Capital Improvements	3,993.90
Ambulance	26,724.95
D.H.S. Building	1,656.97
Commissary Fund	<u>10,405.74</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$219,372.45</u>

Discussion followed. Commissioner Sloan explained why he moved to strike the payment of the State Bar Dues for the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney due to the fact that this person is a contractual person working part time. Commissioner Carrington-Atkins stated we need this to be a policy, as this has been paid in previous years.

Roll Call Vote, 6 yes, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

AGENCY REPORTS:

AREA AGENCY ON AGING:

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins reported on their 2015 assessment schedule which includes St Ann's site and Baldwin Family Health Care. This is to ensure that all entities are in compliance.

BUILDING AUTHORITY

Commissioner Fairbanks reported that the engineer that was scheduled for the project (Pressell) has since backed out, so they are back to square one.

DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT #10

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins reported on the awards ceremony where awards were given out. They currently have a position opening for a Full Time Health Educator. Discussions were held on the Ebola crisis, and TenCon is administering the Flu Vaccines.

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Commissioner Clarke reported on the recent Grant that was received by DHD#10, where they will be providing Healthy Trails and also Handicap Accessibility to the trails. They have scheduled a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the County/Webber Park, and she urged all to attend.

MAC SUB-COMMITTEES:

TRANSPORTATION

Commissioner Fairbanks reported that they had a presentation on vehicles of the future that will be fully operational using satellite signals to drive. By the year 2025, we won't be driving our vehicles, they will drive for us! He also reported that the future of Road funding was discussed. There is more information in the recent MAC newsletter also.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins reported that they discussed recent Bills on Solid Waste, mostly on the reporting aspect and the volumes that are reported.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Commissioner Myers reported that they recently held their first meeting of the newly formed Oversight Board where the new Intergovernmental Contract was discussed.

Discussion followed regarding the newly proposed Lakeshore Regional Partners Substance Use Oversight Board Representation in percentages and the changes from Kent County currently having 5% and proposing an increase to 7%. This is a 7 County Board with Kent County having the highest percentages, with Ottawa having 3%, Allegan and Muskegon having 2%, and Lake, Mason and Oceana having 1 %.

CFO Myers stated that she emailed everyone the newly proposed Contract for review, and would like this to be discussed at the next Board meeting.

ORV COMMITTEE

Commissioner Fairbanks stated that a meeting needs to be scheduled for early January and will contact the Clerk's Office to set this up.

ORV PROMOTIONAL GRANT

Commissioner Sloan gave a brief informational update on this grant.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins asked the Clerk if the Chair of this committee had contacted her to work out their budget, and the answer was, NO he had not. The Clerk stated that she will work on this, adding additional funds in the training line item that is requested, and then email it to Commissioner Carrington-Atkins for review.

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WMSRDC – CEDS

Commissioner Sloan reported that Lake County has been identified and placed in the new CEDS project which could result in funds for Economic Development in Lake County. Steps were taken to include this making for possibly a very positive outcome.

911 COMMITTEE

Commissioner Fairbanks reported on the recent meeting where the Microwave Equipment was discussed and is still not here in Lake County. Consolidation continues to be discussed, with Manistee being a possibility.

CORRESPONDENCE – see Exhibit “A”

Commissioner Fairbanks stated that he wanted attention brought to the Resolution from Cheboygan County regarding the EPA.

Clerk/CFO Myers wished to take this time to remind everyone of their Organizational Meeting scheduled for January 2, 2015 starting at 10:00 a.m., and to start reviewing the Committee list.

Commissioner Fairbanks moved for approval to move the November 26, 2014 meeting to a new date of November 19, 2014, seconded by several Commissioners and by voice vote carried.

Clerk/Register/CFO Myers reminded everyone of the Employee Appreciation Luncheon scheduled for the 20th, starting at 11:30 a.m., and the Closing of the Courthouse Notice has been published and posted.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval of the Lake County Place-Based Targeting Strategy Grant through MSHDA, and the Chair to sign the same, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, and by Voice Vote Carried.

Commissioner Sloan presented a request from the Building Authority to move money into their account for investment purposes, and further stated that he has an issue with just giving over any amount of money to them without restrictions.

Commissioner Sloan moved for approval to move \$400,000 from the RRP account to the Building Authority to be invested at this time, and earmarked for future building projects and to be specifically determined by the Lake County Board of Commissioners, seconded by Commissioner Fairbanks, roll call vote, 6 yes, and 1 absent and excused, Commissioner Stenger.

Commissioner Sloan asked that the Building Authority come to one of the next Board Meetings to discuss future investing possibilities.

Extended PUBLIC COMMENT – Limited to 5 minutes each, please!

Mr. Krauch, MSU Extension Director thanked the Board for their partnership and relationship. He embellished on some activities for this year, including all of the programming staff, a Tech Wizards Program Grant for Mason & Lake Counties in the amount of \$41,000, youth baseball programs to continue, Exploration Days for the youth again this year along with Capital Experience too, working on establishing a Shooting Sports Program, breakfast on the farm in Mason County, to which Lake County is also invited and MSU Extension is more than 4-H.

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COMMISSIONERS PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Commissioner Clarke reported on the Energy Grants that are available through True North for Heating or Electric Bill assistance.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins reported she has received her certificate for CDBG Sub-Grantee Training.

Commissioner Fairbanks recognized Ed Chappell, an eighty-four year old gentleman in Elk Township, who has been very beneficial to the County.

Commissioner Carrington-Atkins left the meeting at 8:21 p.m. to attend the Chase Township meeting.

Commissioner Myers reported on the recent additions of a Sportsman Club located in Baldwin and will be having a dinner Friday November 14th at the VFW.

There being no further business, the meeting was recessed at 8:24 p.m.

Shelly Myers, Clerk of the Board

Karl Walls, Chairman of the Board

Exhibit “A”

NUMBERED CORRESPONDENCE

- #1 Lake County Permit Summary October 2014**
- #2 MAC Legislative Update October 31, 2014**
- #3 Resolution 14-22 County Of Cheboygan**
- #4 Resolution OCR 14-30 Otsego County**

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