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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2011 – 6:00 P.M. – ROOM 231, HENRY A. SKEWIS ANNEX, MARQUETTE, MI 49855

1. CALL TO ORDER – SALUTE TO THE FLAG – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

- Call to Order by Chair at 6:00 p.m. – Room 231 Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette.
- Roll Call: Present: Commissioner Cihak, Commissioner Quayle, Commissioner Heikkila, Commissioner Corkin, Commissioner Joseph, Commissioner Pellow, and Chairperson Bergdahl. Absent: Commissioner Arsenault and Commissioner Nordeen.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON APRIL 11, 2011; THE MINUTES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS EQUALIZATION MEETING HELD ON APRIL 12, 2011; AND THE MINUTES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 19, 2011.

Board Action: Commissioner Pellow moved to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of the County Board of Commissioners held on April 11, 2011; the minutes of the Equalization Meeting of the County Board of Commissioners held on April 12, 2011; and the minutes of the County Regular Meeting of the County Board of Commissioners held on April 19, 2011. Second by Commissioner Corkin. Motion adopted.

3. PROCLAMATION, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS.

Vice-Chairperson Cihak read the following Proclamation designating the Week of May 15, 2011, as Emergency Medical Services Week.

PROCLAMATION

*To designate the Week of May 15, 2011, as
Emergency Medical Services Week*

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and
 WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and
 WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and
 WHEREAS, emergency medical services providers have traditionally served as the vital link in America’s healthcare system; and
 WHEREAS, approximately two-thirds of all community emergency medical services are volunteer professionals; and
 WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, rescue specialists, dispatchers, educators, administrators and others; and
 WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesavings skills; and

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WHEREAS, the residents and visitors of our community benefit daily from the dedication of these highly trained individuals; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; and

WHEREAS, the designation of Emergency Medical Services Week will also assist in informing the public about life saving aspects of the local EMS system,

NOW THEREFORE, we the Marquette County Board of Commissioners in recognition of our local EMS service do hereby proclaim the week of May 15-21, 2011, as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

With the theme - EMS: Everyday Heroes - we encourage the community to observe this week and actively support our local EMS organizations.

Adopted this 3rd day of May, 2011

Charles Bergdahl, Chairperson

Marquette County Board of Commissioners

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Board Action: Commissioner Corkin moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Second by Commissioner Joseph. Motion adopted.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT.

Chairperson Bergdahl opened the meeting for public comment.

- Lisa Johnson, Community Hand UP, thanked the Board again for the time spent on the Sawyer Fitness/Community Center; she reminded citizens to vote on-line for the “Cheer for Reader’s Digest” and the “Pepsi Challenge” contests. She also requested a letter of support from the County Board for the efforts of Community Hand-UP to open the Sawyer Community & Fitness Center (formerly known as the W).
- Randy Gentz, Chair, Marquette County Conservation District, updated the Board on recent activities. He also thanked the Board for the appropriation to the Conservation District from the Forestry Fund.
- Teresa Bertossi, Bill Hill, Aryel Headley, Ray Johnson, and Cindy Engle, addressed the Board in support of the “W”.

There being no further public comment, Chairperson Bergdahl closed this portion of the meeting.

6. REVIEW OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Board Action: Commissioner Corkin moved to approve Claims and Accounts for the period April 15, 2011 through April 28, 2011, in the amount of \$635,735.61; and Biweekly Payroll for the period ending April 16, 2011 in the amount of \$811,196.35. Second by Commissioner Joseph. Motion adopted.

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS. None.**
8. **PRIVILEGED COMMENT. None.**
9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS. None.**
10. **ACTION ITEMS.**

- a. **Road Commission Update.**

Jim Iwanicki, Road Commission Engineering Director, presented the 2010 Fiscal Year Annual Financial Report of the Board of County Road Commissioners and the Department of Treasury Report on Financial Statements. The financial report accurately reflects the revenues and expenditures of all road work and funds by systems, and conforms with the requirements of Act 51, Public Acts of 1951, as amended. Mr. Iwanicki also highlighted the facts and findings of the audit and explained various Road Commission projects.

Board Action: After discussion, Commissioner Corkin moved to place the Road Commission Report and Audit on file. Second by Commissioner Heikkila. Motion adopted.

- b. **2012 Community Corrections Grant.** Art Lauren, Community Corrections Coordinator, was present to explain the grant and answer questions. He also explained various programs at the Detention Center.

Board Action: Commissioner Heikkila moved to approve the 2012 Grant Application for the Community Corrections Grant in the amount of \$123,459. Second by Commissioner Corkin. Motion adopted.

- c. **Recommendation from the Committee of the Whole Budget Work Session not to move the Treasurer/Equalization Departments.**

Board Action: After discussion, Commissioner Cihak moved to approve the Committee of the Whole Recommendation not to move the Treasurer/Equalization Departments. Second by Commissioner Quayle. Motion adopted. (Commissioner Joseph voted no).

11. **LATE ADDITIONS. None.**
12. **PUBLIC COMMENT.**

Chairperson Bergdahl opened the meeting for public comment. None was forthcoming.

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13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Commissioner Quayle suggested that the Administrator’s Update Report to the Board of Commissioners be placed on the agenda for discussion.
- Commissioner Quayle also suggested a letter of support be drafted for Community Hand-UP for their continued efforts to reopen the “W.”

Board Action: Commissioner Quayle moved to direct staff to draft a letter of support for the continued efforts of Community Hand-UP to open the Sawyer Community & Fitness Center (formerly known as the W). Second by Commissioner Pellow. Motion adopted.

- Commissioner Pellow questioned when the June MAC board meeting is scheduled. Chief Justice Young is expected to attend that meeting to discuss judicial issues, including the number of judges in the state.
- Commissioner Heikkila questioned whether a response has been received from Mr. Hart.
- Commissioner Corkin announced that the U.P. Commissioners will be meeting on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, May 6-7, 2011. They will be discussing unfunded mandates.
- Commissioner Cihak announced the Green Aviation Conference scheduled for May 12, 2011, from 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., at NMU. County commissioners who wish to attend can contact Mary Yelle to register. Any member of the public who wishes to attend can contact Telkite.

14. CLOSED SESSION.

Board Action: Commissioner Pellow moved to go into Closed Session pursuant to MCL 15.268(c) for Strategy and Negotiation Sessions connected with the following Collective Bargaining Agreement: Consideration of 2011 Collective Bargaining Agreement for Sheriff’s Department Deputies. Second by Commissioner Corkin. A roll call vote was recorded. Ayes: Commissioner Cihak, Commissioner Quayle, Commissioner Heikkila, Commissioner Corkin, Commissioner Joseph, Commissioner Pellow, and Chairperson Bergdahl. Nays: None. Motion adopted 7 Ayes to 0 Nays.

Chairperson Bergdahl declared a two minute recess to clear Commission Chambers.

CLOSED SESSION


The County Board came back into Open Session.

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Board Action: Commissioner Pellow moved to approve the 2011 Collective Bargaining Agreement for Sheriff's Department Deputies as proposed, contingent upon approval by the Sheriff's Department Deputies. Second by Commissioner Quayle. A roll call vote was recorded: Ayes: Commissioner Quayle, Commissioner Heikkila, Commissioner Joseph, Commissioner Pellow and Chairperson Bergdahl. Nays: Commissioner Cihak and Commissioner Corkin. Motion adopted 5 Ayes to 2 Nays.

16. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.



Connie M. Branam
Marquette County Clerk

Charles Bergdahl, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

Minutes Proposed for Approval on May 17, 2011.