

GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
August 11, 2021
County Courthouse
Bessemer, MI 49911

Ambulance Meeting~~~4:30pm
Regular Meeting~~~~~5:00pm

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (Regular meeting, July 28, 2021)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS
(5-minute limit)

APPEARANCES:

There are none

COMMUNICATIONS:

There are none

OTHER MATTERS:

ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES:

PUBLIC COMMENT (5-minute limit)

ADJOURNMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Chairman Lorensen. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken.

ROLL CALL:

**Present: (7) Orlich, Peterson, Siirila, Laabs, Byrns
Bonovetz, Lorensen**

Absent: (0) None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (July 14, 2021 meeting)

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Laabs, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Byrns, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda with addition #4 to Committee Summary Reports, #2 to Appearances and additions #1 through #5 to Other Matters as presented by Chairman Lorensen.

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS
(5-minute limit)**

There were none.

COMMITTEE SUMMARY REPORTS:

- 1. Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee, 6/28/21**
- 2. Personnel & Negotiations Committee, 7/14/21**
- 3. Ambulance Committee, 7/14/21**

A motion was made by Mr. Peterson, supported by Mr. Byrns, and carried by unanimous voice vote to receive the three reports and place them on file

- 4. Economic Development & Capital Improvements Committee,
7/28/2021**

A motion was made by Mr. Peterson, supported by Mr. Byrns to pay the matching portion of the Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development Grant for the lighting at the fairgrounds and the security of the multipurpose building from the Repairs & Maintenance line item within the Fair budget, not to exceed \$7000.

Roll was taken.

ROLL CALL:

**Yes: (7) Peterson, Siirila, Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich,
Lorensen**

No: (0)

Motion carried.

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APPEARANCES:

1. **John Frello-Veteran's Service Officer (Re: FY22 Michigan Department of Veteran Affairs CSFG Grant Application)**

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Laabs and carried by unanimous voice vote to support Mr. Frello's grant application and authorize proper signatures.

2. **Heidi DeRosso-Emergency Management Director/911 Coordinator**
Ms. DeRosso gave a brief update regarding the storm that came through on July 26, 2021. The Township of Marenisco suffered the most damage and there were power outages across the County. Through Ms. DeRosso, Marenisco Township declared a local state of emergency.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **John Wyssling-Chairman, Gogebic County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (Request to advertise for vacant board position)**

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Siirila and agreed by unanimous vote to advertise the vacancy.

2. **Juliane Giackino-Administrator (Re: MEDC grant completion)**

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Bonovetz and carried by unanimous voice vote to receive the letter and place it on file.

3. **Patrick Gallinagh-Range Suicide Prevention Council**

A motion was made by Mr. Peterson to proclaim September 5, 2021 through September 11, 2021 as **National Suicide Prevention Week** in Gogebic County. The motion was supported by Mr. Byrns and followed by a unanimous voice vote.

4. **Mike Harma-Gogebic/Iron Airport Manager (Re: Airport report and appropriation request)**

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Laabs to receive the report and authorize the appropriation. Roll was taken.

ROLL CALL:

YES: (7) Siirila, Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich, Peterson, Lorenson

NO: (0)

Motion carried

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5. Juliane Giackino-Administrator (Re: MIDC FY22 plan and advertising)

After a explanation a motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz and supported by Mr. Siirila to advertise for the position of Managed Assigned Council. Roll was taken.

ROLL CALL:

YES: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich, Peterson, Siirila, Lorensen

NO: (0)

Motion carried.

TRIAL BALANCE/CASH BALANCE:

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Laabs, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the report as presented.

GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE CONTROL:

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Peterson, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the report as presented.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS:

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Orlich to pay the claims as presented along with the pre-paids and credit cards and make them a part of the minutes.

ROLL CALL:

YES: (7) Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich, Peterson, Siirila, Laabs, Lorensen

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS:

1. Budget Amendments

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila and supported by Mr. Orlich to approve the Budgets Amendments carried forward from the earlier Finance Meeting. Roll was taken.

ROLL CALL:

YES: (7) Bonovetz, Orlich, Peterson, Siirila, Laabs, Byrns, Lorensen

NO: (0)

Motion carried

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2. Credit Cards, Walmart and Veteran's grant expenditures

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila and supported by Mr. Byrns to pay these accounts to avoid unnecessary delays and finance charges. Roll was taken:

ROLL CALL:

YES: (7) Orlich, Peterson, Siirila, Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Lorensen

NO: (0)

Motion carried.

3. Resolution Supporting American Rescue Plan State Match Programs.

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Orlich and carried by unanimous voice vote to adopt the resolution as presented.

4. Resolution of Gogebic County Board of Commissioners to Create a New Fund Within the Local Chart of Accounts Regarding Funds Received Under the American Rescue Plan Act.

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz and supported by Mr. Orlich to adopt the resolution using new fund titled "Fund 287". Roll was taken.

ROLL CALL:

YES: (7) Peterson, Siirila, Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich, Lorensen

NO: (0)

Motion carried.

5. Approve appropriations

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz and supported by Mr. Siirila to discontinue all quarterly reporting and pay all appropriations on the time schedule currently used without Board approval. Roll was taken.

ROLL CALL:

YES: (7) Siirila, Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich, Peterson, Lorensen

NO: (0)

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Byrns, and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

James A. Lorensen, Chairman

Ramona L. Collins, Clerk