

GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes

July 27, 2016

County Courthouse

Bessemer, MI 49911

5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Bonovetz. Following the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken.

ROLL CALL:

**Present: (7) Bonovetz, Kangas, Laabs, Oliver,
Orlich, Peterson, Wasley**

Absent: (0) None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (July 13, 2016 regular meeting minutes)

A motion was made by Kangas, supported by Orlich and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Kangas, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda as presented and to add four recommendations from the Finance, Budgeting Auditing Committee of earlier today and a Board appointment to the Tax Limitation Advisory Committee.

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

There were none.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - SUMMARY REPORTS:

1. Economic Development & Capital Improve. -----06/21/16
2. Economic Development & Capital Improve. -----06/23/16
3. Technology Committee-----06/22/16
4. Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee -----06/22/16

A motion was made by Kangas, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to receive and place on file reports one, two, three and four.

5. Economic Development & Capital Improve. -----07/13/16

A motion was made by Laabs, supported by Kangas to accept the bid from Erickson Roofing and Siding for wrapping of the fascia on the east side addition entrance of the courthouse in the amount of \$3,580.00

Roll Call:

**YES: (7) Laabs, Oliver, Wasley
Orlich, Peterson, Kangas, Bonovetz**

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

6. Personnel & Negotiations Committee-----07/14/16

A motion was made by Kangas, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to table recommendations A and B from the summary reports from the committee meeting. A Personnel and Negotiations Committee meeting will be scheduled.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Sue Pertile, County Treasurer
(RE: Strike 2010 Delinquent Personal Property Taxes)

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Wasley to authorize the Chairman's signature on the waiver and consent form and to strike the 2010 delinquent personal property taxes in the amount of \$2,228.89.

Roll Call:

**YES: (7) Oliver, Wasley, Orlich,
Peterson, Kangas, Laabs, Bonovetz**

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

INCREMENTS/LONGEVITY:

1. Stephanie Zaleski, Juvenile Court, one-year increment
A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Kangas and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the increment as presented.

2. Ramona Collins, Register of Deeds, 25 years
A motion was made by Kangas, supported by Laabs and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the longevity request as presented.

TRIAL BALANCE/CASH BALANCE

A motion was made by Kangas, supported by Peterson and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the reports as presented.

GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE CONTROL

A motion was made by Wasley, supported by Kangas and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the reports as presented.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS

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

Roll Call:

**YES: (7) Wasley, Orlich, Peterson,
Kangas, Laabs, Oliver, Bonovetz**

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

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OTHER MATTERS

Agenda Additions:

Recommendations from the Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee of earlier today.

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Laabs to authorize Sheriff Matonich to purchase a vehicle for the Animal Control Department and purchase an ATV to replace the ATV four wheeler that was totaled during storm road washouts.

Roll Call:

**YES: (7) Orlich, Peterson, Kangas,
Laabs, Oliver, Wasley, Bonovetz**

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Peterson, supported by Oliver to authorize Sheriff Matonich to negotiate a price for two 2016 Dodge Chargers to be paid for out of the 2016-17 Fiscal Budget.

Roll Call:

**YES: (7) Peterson, Kangas, Laabs,
Oliver, Wasley, Orlich, Bonovetz**

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Wasley, supported by Laabs and carried by unanimous voice vote to authorize the Chairman's signature on the Homeland Security Grant to provide funding to patrol the borders in the County. The Grant is for \$20,000 over three years.

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Wasley to join Chippewa, Luce and Mackinac Counties to hire an attorney that will seek an AG opinion on the pension debt the State owes to Gogebic County from the dissolution of U.P. Michigan Works. The cost to hire an attorney is to not exceed \$2,500 for Gogebic County.

Roll Call:

**YES: (7) Kangas, Laabs, Oliver, Wasley
Orlich, Peterson, Bonovetz**

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

County Board Appointment to the Tax Limitation Advisory Committee.

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Kangas and carried by unanimous voice vote to appoint Dan Pertile of Bessemer to the Committee.

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Heidi DeRosso, Assistant Emergency Management and Darin Pionk of the Road Commission gave an update on the emergency operations still to be worked on due to the storm of July 11th. The National Guard will be completing their aid to the County by the end of this week. Daily communication with the State continues to them give updates. Pionk talked about road repairs and funding challenges due to the storm. He will be seeking Federal Highway assistance for funds to repair roads that meet the requirements. Pionk said 29 sites have been identified as eligible. The Michigan DEQ and MDOT have been very helpful in providing services that will help expedite the permitting process to make the necessary road repairs.

Chairman Bonovetz thanked DeRosso and Pionk for their efforts.

Commissioner Oliver made **a motion**, supported by Orlich, and carried by unanimous voice vote, that the Board will take no action related to an appearance by an individual or group if they are added to the agenda after the County Board agenda deadline of noon the Friday prior to the Wednesday Board meeting.

The Personnel and Negotiations Committee will meet on Wednesday August 10th at 4pm.

Treasurer Sue Pertile stated she will transfer the \$150,000 to the Western U.P. Trail Authority from the DTRF, which will be reimbursed to the County in 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT (5 minute limit)

Alan Baron, Ironwood Township Supervisor invited County Board members to attend an informational meeting at Ironwood Township on Monday, August 1st, at 5 p.m. The meeting will be to update the residents affected by the road washouts and to address their concerns. Members of Road Commission and Emergency Management have been invited to participate in the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Orlich, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Joe Bonovetz, Chairman

Gerry R. Pelissero, Clerk