

**GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**November 8, 2017**

**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 Peterson. Following the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present: (5) Oliver, Orlich, Peterson,  
Siirila, Wasley**

**Absent: (2) Bonovetz, Laabs**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** (October 25, 2017 regular meeting minutes)

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda as presented.

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**(5 minute limit)**

There were none.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Rudy Grbavcich, Chairman, Brownfield Redevelopment Authority  
(RE: membership terms)

**A motion** was made by Oliver, supported by Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to advertise for the positions with the deadline to receive applications of November 30, 2017.

2. Greg Ryskey, County Remonumentation Administrator  
(RE Peer Review Group membership)

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Orlich and carried by unanimous voice vote to appoint John Matonich to the Remonumentation Peer Review Group.

3. Judge Joel Massie  
(RE: Magistrate hire)

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve Sara Ribble as a Magistrate for the 98<sup>th</sup> District Court and adopt the resolution as presented.

4. Jerald Wuorenmaa, Executive Director, WUPPDR  
(RE: letter of support and resolution)

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to support the 2018 Regional Prosperity Initiative Program and adopt the resolution as presented.

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5. Lisa Hewitt, County Treasurer  
(RE: Investment/Depository Resolution)

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to adopt the Deposit and Investment Policy for County Funds and Approving the County Investment Policy along with the resolutions that relate to the individual checking accounts that were presented by Treasurer Lisa Hewitt at the meeting.

6. Juliane Giackino, County Administrator  
(RE: County Indigent Defense System Plan)

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the Gogebic County Indigent Defense System Plan as presented.

7. Great Lakes Recovery Centers  
(RE: Bill and Memorandum of Agreement)

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Orlich and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Great Lakes Recovery Centers and Gogebic County. The annual payment of \$1,076.00 was approved as well.

**OTHER MATTERS:**

There were none.

**ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES:**

Administrator Juliane Giackino updated the Board on the County pension liability matter, the MGT wage study is still being worked on. She mentioned the security projects are continuing with the fob door security almost completed. Judge Pope informed her that Linda Dean will be the successor to Deb Fabbri as the Friend of the Court. Committee meetings were discussed and she noted that at times it is difficult to get all seven members to attend due to scheduling problems. It was decided that if a quorum (four members) is available the meeting will be scheduled and held.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (5 minute limit)**

Megan Martell of the MSU Extension attended the meeting and discussed the Eat Smart Knapsacks project that is now in progress throughout the four schools districts in Gogebic County. The list of wanted food items was provided to the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion** was made Siirila, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

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George Peterson III, Chairman

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Gerry R. Pelissero, Clerk