

GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2017

County Courthouse

Bessemer, MI 49911

5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Chairman Peterson. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken.

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: (0) None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (February 8, 2017 regular meeting minutes)

A motion was made by Siirila, supported by Laabs 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.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - SUMMARY REPORTS:

1. Health & Welfare Committee -----01/23/2017
2. Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee ---01/25/2017
3. Economic Development & Capital Improv. ----02/08/2017
4. Personnel & Negotiations Committee -----02/08/2017

A motion was made by Bonovetz, supported by Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to receive reports one through four and place them on file.

5. DalPra Educational Award Committee -----02/09/2017

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Bonovetz and carried by unanimous voice vote to offer 64 scholarships to the local schools at \$2,500 each. Ironwood will receive 32, Bessemer 14, Wakefield-Marenisco 10, Watersmeet 4 and the Gogebic County Community Schools 4. The applications are due to the school counselors by March 17, 2017 and then sent to the County Administrator by March 31, 2017. The Committee will meet on April 20, 2017.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Mike Harma, Airport Manager
(RE: MDOT Contract: Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting training and Resolution)

A motion was made by Bonovetz, supported by Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to authorize the Chairman's signature on the MDOT contract 2017-0359 and to adopt the resolution as presented.

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TRIAL BALANCE/CASH BALANCE

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

GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE CONTROL

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

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Wasley to pay the claims of the General Fund along with the pre-paids and make them a part of the minutes.

Roll Call:

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

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT (5 minute limit)

Randall Kashich discussed the lack of compliance with Federal regulations regarding the education of children with disabilities in the Ironwood Area School District.

Paul Putnam, Director, MSU Extension District One, gave an update of the programs offered through MSUE.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Siirila, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

George Peterson III, Chairman

Gerry R. Pelissero, Clerk