

GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes

December 21, 2018

County Courthouse

Bessemer, MI 49911

3:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 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 (December 12, 2018 meeting minutes)

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Orlich, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda as presented along with two additions; the NorthCare Network Memorandum of Understanding and the MGT wage study were added to Other Matters.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

(5-minute limit)

Randall Kashish asked why there wasn't more detail on his public comments in the minutes of December 12, 2018.

COMMITTEE SUMMARY REPORTS:

1. Dal Pra Scholarship Award Committee-----11/20/2018
2. Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee---11/28/2018
3. Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee---12/05/2018
4. Personnel & Negotiations Committee -----12/05/2018
5. Personnel & Negotiations Committee -----12/12/2018

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to receive and place on file reports one through five.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Nicholas J. Jacobs, Prosecutor
(RE: recreational marijuana)

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

TRIAL BALANCE/CASH BALANCE:

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

GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE CONTROL:

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

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CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS:

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

Roll Call:

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

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS

Agenda additions:

NorthCare Network Memorandum of Understanding

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to authorize the Chairman's signature on the MOA.

MGT Wage Study

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Siirila to receive and place on file the MGT Wage Study.

Roll Call:

YES: (4) Oliver, Orlich, Siirila, Peterson

No: (1) Wasley

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Siirila to adopt effective 1/1/2019 the salary adjustments and wage increase as presented on page one of the proposed wage spreadsheet presented at the Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee meeting of earlier today.

Roll Call:

YES: (4) Orlich, Siirila, Oliver, Peterson

No: (1) Wasley

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Oliver, supported by Siirila, that the Elected and Appointed members will begin paying 10% of the health insurance premium monthly costs beginning January of 2019.

Roll Call:

YES: (4) Orlich, Siirila, Oliver, Peterson

No: (1) Wasley

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Siirila, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to distribute \$25.00 gift cards to all employees this holiday season.

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Clerk Gerry Pelissero reminded the Board of the re-organizational meeting which was set for January 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. There was some discussion about changing the time of that meeting, but nothing was confirmed.

PUBLIC COMMENT (5-minute limit)

Randy Kashish spoke to the Board on the Code of Ethics for elected and appointed officials. He looks forward to meeting with Personnel & Negotiations Committee to discuss this and other matters he has raised in the past.

Commissioners Oliver and Wasley were attending their last meeting and were presented with plaques to thank them for their years of service. Each briefly thanked their fellow Board members. Those elected and appointed officials attending the meeting thanked Oliver and Wasley for their time on the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Wasley, with support from Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

George R. Peterson III, Chairman

Gerry R. Pelissero, Clerk