

**GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**March 14, 2018**

**County Courthouse**

**Bessemer, MI 49911**

**5:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 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 28, 2018 Public Hearing and regular meeting minutes)

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Bonovetz 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 along with two additions to Other Matters.

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

There were none.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Airport Contracts (as requested by Airport Manager Mike Harma, which will be authorized by the Airport Board on Monday March 12.)

**A motion** was made by Bonovetz, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to authorize the Chairman's signature on the MDOT contract for aircraft rescue and firefighting training and adopt the resolution as presented.

**A motion** was made by Bonovetz, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to authorize the Chairman's signature on the contract for consulting services with Mead and Hunt for an aircraft rescue and firefighting truck equipment proposal.

**OTHER MATTERS:**

Agenda Additions:

1. CMH appointments

**A motion** was made by Wasley, supported by Orlich and carried by a six yea - zero nay and one abstain(Bonovetz) voice vote to appoint the following to three-year terms beginning April 1, 2018 on the CMH Authority Board:

Joseph Bonovetz, Carrie Braspenick, Patricia Crabtree and Stephen Thomas.

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2. Fair Board secretary position

**A motion** was made by Oliver, supported by Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the Fair Board secretary position to be hired as an independent contractor and to authorize the new secretary to receive up to five hours per week of training for four weeks by former Fair secretary Tina Romosz. The training will be done during regular business hours.

County Treasurer Lisa Hewitt presented a resolution to establish a 2017 DTRF tax banking account. River Valley Bank requires a resolution approved by the Board of Commissioners for every new account. **A motion** was made by Oliver, supported by Wasley and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the resolution as presented.

**ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES:**

Administrator Juliane Giackino mentioned the auditors will be wrapping up the FY 2017 audit shortly. The Negotiations Committee and or the full Personnel and Negotiations committee can meet via telephone or polycom to hear the presentation on the DROP plan as requested by the deputies association anytime this month with the retirement advisors. The meeting will be held on Thursday March 22, immediately following the special Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee meeting set for 4:00 p.m. that day.

Commissioner Bonovetz briefing discussed the services UPCAP has provided residents of the County.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (5-minute limit)**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion** was made by Siirila, supported by Oliver and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

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George Peterson III, Chairman

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Gerry R. Pelissero, Clerk