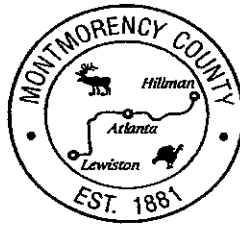


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County of Montmorency Board of Commissioners

Regular Board Meeting

Agenda

March 21, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Boardroom/Courtroom B

CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of minutes from: March 7, 2024
- Claims and Accounts

Add on: Briley twp.
Zoning ordinance

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)

NEW BUSINESS

- MCCOA Board Trustee Appointment – Jacquelyn Lardie, Atlanta – term ending 8/31/26
- Juvenile Budget Amendment – Janelle Mott
- Resolution #2024-04: Local Control for Wind and Solar Operations

OLD BUSINESS

- Equalization SUV

REPORTS:

- Controller
- Treasurer
- Sheriff
- Standing Committee

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN SUBJECT TO CHAIRMAN

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON Thursday, April 4, 2024

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING HELD MARCH 21, 2024**

PRESENT: Dell Bolser, Gary Girardin, Don Edwards, Mary Hardies, Lloyd Peltier

ABSENT/EXCUSED: NONE

PLEDGE

AGENDA:

Add: Briley Township zoning ordinance

Delete: None

Motion by Girardin, seconded by Hardies to approve the agenda with the addition. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

MINUTES:

Motion by Bolser, seconded by Girardin approving the minutes from the regular meeting held March 7, 2024. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS:

Motion by Girardin, seconded by Peltier to approve claims and accounts. (Claims: \$99,262.94; EFT's: \$326,403.92; Desk Checks: \$20,958.71; Grand Total: \$446,625.57) Yeas: 5 (Roll Call: Girardin, Hardies, Peltier, Bolser, Edwards) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

BRILEY TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE: Discussion had on waiving the thirty-day review period. Motion by Bolser, seconded by Girardin to waive the thirty-day review period. Yeas: 5 (Roll Call: Hardies, Peltier, Bolser, Edwards, Girardin) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

MCCOA BOARD TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT: Motion by Edwards, seconded by Girardin to appoint Jacquelyn Lardie to the MCCOA board with a term ending August 31, 2026. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

JUVENILE BUDGET AMENDMENT: Aprille Williamson, County Controller made presentation. The budget has increased by \$40,185.00 which is reimbursed by the state. Motion by Bolser, seconded by Hardies to make the adjustment in the juvenile budget to add the \$40,185.00. Yeas: 5 (Roll Call: Peltier, Bolser, Edwards, Girardin, Hardies) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

LOCAL CONTROL FOR WIND AND SOLAR OPERATIONS:

2024-04 **SUPPORT TO RESTORE LOCAL CONTROL FOR WIND AND SOLAR OPERATIONS.**
(Hardies/Peltier) Yeas: 5 (Roll Call: Bolser, Edwards, Girardin, Hardies, Peltier) Nays: 0 Resolution passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

EQUALIZATION SUV: Amber Woehlert present. States the equalization department needs a new vehicle. Discussion had. Motion by Bolser, seconded by Hardies to allow the Controller to enter into a lease to purchase a vehicle with no more than a \$5000.00 downpayment and no longer than a 48-month term. Yeas: 5 (Roll Call: Edwards, Girardin, Hardies, Peltier, Bolser) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

COUNTY CONTROLLER REPORT:

Aprille Williamson, County Controller present. TOPICS: Mold-Received a quote from Servpro that insurance will pay to have the mold taken care of.

Need to hire a temporary part time assistant in the building department per Tony Dawson while Lisa is on vacation. Motion by Hardies, seconded by Bolser to hire a part time temporary assistant in the building department for up to 60 hours. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

Millage language will need approval. Motion by Edwards, seconded by Hardies to hire an attorney to go over the language for the millages for the August ballot. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

TREASURER:

Cheri Egget, County Treasurer present. TOPICS: Settlement-will be paid soon; Foreclosures-have 24 that must be paid by April 1st to stop the foreclosure. Revenue report is at about 6.6%

SHERIFF REPORT:

Chad Brown, Sheriff present. Had a tower fire in town, everything is back up and running since the fire. March 8th the Sheriff's Office participated with the Hillman High School in a Students Leading Students Program.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Peltier: Community Mental Health
- Hardies: Opioid meeting, District Health Department #4
- Girardin: Finance Personnel & Sheriff
- Edwards: Finance Personnel & Sheriff
- Bolser: Michigan Association of Counties Meeting, Department of Health and Human Services

Aprille Williamson, the County Controller asked if Dawn Hubbard was still to attend the NEMCOG meetings. Board said yes.


PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pam Meicher commented on the Equalization Department SUV.

Donna Baranyai commented on Retiree Health Insurance and the Equalization Department SUV.

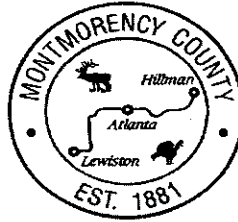
Meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m. by Chairman, Don Edwards.

Minutes prepared by:



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Resolution #2024-04

SUPPORT TO RESTORE LOCAL CONTROL FOR WIND AND SOLAR OPERATIONS

At the meeting of the County of Montmorency Board of Commissioners held in the County of Montmorency Building located in Atlanta, Michigan on **March 21, 2024**.

PRESENT: Dell Bolser, Gary Girardin, Don Edwards, Lloyd Peltier & Mary Hardies

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was made by **Mary Hardies** and seconded by **Lloyd Peltier**, to-wit:

WHEREAS, the ability of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves which projects should and should not be in their local communities; what plans are best and reasonable for each neighborhood rather than these decisions be forced onto Counties without their best interest at hand; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Michigan has passed, and the Governor has signed House Bill 5120, now Public Act 233 of 2023, that strips away local community control on these issues and places the control within the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC); and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned legislative action removes the ability for local officials to perform their duties in protecting the health, safety, and welfare of residents as well as preservation of the character of their community; and

WHEREAS, the County of Montmorency Board of Commissioners feel strongly that local government is best able to assess the needs of our community;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Montmorency County is opposed to the legislature of the State of Michigan's passage of legislation that takes away local control and places it within the authority of the MPSC;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Montmorency County supports the statewide ballot initiative, Citizens for Local Choice, a grassroots coalition of local officials and community organizers across Michigan working to amend the Clean and Renewable Energy and Energy Waste Reduction Act to, among other things, repeal Part 8 as added by Public Act 233 of 2023 which will restore local control of land use to ensure reasonable regulation in our widely diverse communities.

