

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING HELD MARCH 10, 2022**

PRESENT: Gary Girardin, James Madison, Geyer Balog, Don Edwards

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Robert Stacey (Zoom)

PLEDGE

ADD/DELETIONS:

Add: County Controller, \$20.00 Surcharge Building Inspector, Cheryl Neilsen, County Clerk new employee

Delete: None

Motion by Edwards, seconded by Madison approving the agenda with the additions. Yeas: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

MINUTES:

Motion by Girardin, seconded by Madison approving the special meeting minutes from February 25, 2022. Yeas: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Girardin, seconded by Madison approving the regular meeting minutes from February 24, 2022. Yeas: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS/FINANCE:

Bills: Regular: \$321,310.57 Desk: \$66,075.88; Total: \$387,386.45. Motion by Madison, seconded Edwards approving payment of bills. Yeas: 4 (Roll call: Madison, Girardin, Balog, Edwards) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

TREASURER REPORT:

Cheri Eggett, Treasurer present. Received 35 applications for ARPA funds. Denied five applications, did not qualify. Asking for \$55,000 for eligible applications. Motion by Edwards, seconded by Balog to approve ARPA expenditure in the amount of \$55,000 to current eligible direct pay and small business applicants. Yeas: 4 (Roll call: Girardin, Balog, Edwards, Madison) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

OTHER TOPICS: Settlements and Joe Stone on heating bids.

COUNTY CONTROLLER REPORT:

April Williamson, County Controller present. The updated BS&A module is scheduled to come out in the next couple weeks. States there are some pension grants going through legislation right now she will be looking at. Should be receiving funds from the opioid settlement going through. Narrowed the copy machine proposal to purchase five new machines.

Motion by Girardin, seconded by Edwards to move forward with the purchase of five new copy machines. Yeas: 4 (Roll Call: Balog, Edwards, Madison, Girardin) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

SHERIFF REPORT:

Sheriff Brown present. Inmate count at 13. He is working on grants for body cams, drone program and training.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cheryl Neilsen, County Clerk requesting new employee to replace the employee that left.

Motion by Edwards, seconded by Madison to hire full time employee at the rate of pay of \$15.00 per hour to replace the employee that left. Yeas: 3 Nays: 1 (Balog) Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

BUILDING INSPECTOR \$20.00 SURCHARGE: Joe Stone, Building Department requesting to add \$20.00 surcharge onto building permits due to the price of fuel going up, would be temporary.
Motion by Edwards, seconded by Girardin for approval to add the \$20.00 surcharge to Plumbing, Mechanical and Electrical permits. Yeas: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

THUNDER BAY TRANSPORTATION FOR VETERANS: Mike Burzynski asking for decision on who signs the Memorandum of Understanding form. Angie Dubie, General Manager for Thunder Bay Transportation was present. Motion by Balog, seconded by Madison for the Chair to sign the Memorandum of Understanding presented by the veteran's office. Yeas: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

JOSH LEISEN HURON PINES: Josh Leisen, Senior Project Manager for Huron Pines present. Gave presentation on restoring the river health of Hall Road River crossing in Avery Twp. States the estimated total cost of the project would be \$700,00.00. Huron Pines has secured \$500,00.00 for the project. Mr. Leisen is asking for permission for the Road Commission to give \$200,00.00 to finish the project. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

MOVE CABLES IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE: Donna Baranyai, Sheriff's Office 911 Coordinator stated that the cables need to be moved or they need to be put back where they were.
Motion by Balog, seconded by Edwards to move cables to new office for Emergency Management, not to exceed \$1,500.00. Yeas: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Madison: Nothing
Girardin: Finance claims and accounts, Sheriff
Edwards: ARPA
Balog: ARPA and Special Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike Burzynski had first meeting of Vets Relief, worked on approval. Will meet quarterly.

9:44 A.M. Motion by Edwards, seconded by Girardin to adjourn. No objections. Meeting adjourned.

Geyer Balog, Vice Chair



Lori Curwin, Deputy Clerk

Don Edwards
Gary Girardin
Robert Stacey
Geyer Balog
James Madison



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Montmorency County Board of Commissioners

Regular Board Meeting Agenda

March 10, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Boardroom/Courtroom

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CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of minutes from
- Claims and Accounts

*clerk add on
for new
employee*

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)

TREASURER'S REPORT

county controller

SHERIFF'S REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- *\$20.00 surcharge* building inspector
- Thunder Bay Transportation for Veterans
- Josh Leisen Huron Pines
- Move Cables in Emergency Management Office

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

OTHER

ADJOURN SUBJECT TO CHAIRMAN

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER OPEN MEETINGS ACT OF MICHIGAN,
PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 267 OF 1976

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON Thursday, March 24, 2022

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