

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING HELD DECEMBER 27, 2017**

PRESENT: Daryl Peterson, Don Edwards, Stacy Carroll, Albert LaFleche, Dave Wagner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: None

ALSO PRESENT: Ken Werner, Yvonne Swager, Donna Baranyai, Brian Crane, Jean Klein, Julie Goldberg

PLEDGE

**AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:**

Additions: Snow Plowing Bid; FOC Contract; Attorney Tim Smith RE: Opioid Litigation;

Deletions: None

Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Carroll approving the agenda with additions. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion by Edwards, seconded by Peterson approving the regular minutes of December 13, 2017. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Carroll, seconded by Wagner approving the closed session minutes from December 13, 2017. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS:**

Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Peterson approving the bills (including not entered totaling: \$4,067.40). Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Carroll, Edwards, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING 2018 BUDGET:**

No comments by the public. Motion by Wagner, seconded by LaFleche approving the 2018 budget as submitted (General Fund and Special Funds) Revenues: \$7,605,944.00 and Expenses: \$6,976,232.00. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Edwards, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Carroll) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**OPIOID LITIGATION:**

Attorney Tim Smith from Smith & Johnson in Traverse City, Michigan came and gave a presentation and request to represent our county in a federal lawsuit against the pharmaceutical industry. Question and answers. Motion by Carroll, seconded by Peterson to go forward with this litigation and retain Mr. Smith and his firm. Discussion. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Carroll, Edwards) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

10:02 A.M. Break

10:12 A.M. Back in session.

**TREASURER REPORT:**

Jean Klein present. Discussed Lake Level funds and deficit. Needs to check with auditor. Moving forward with chart of account changes. Discussed budget adjustments needed. Report handed out and e-mails sent to department heads by Aprille.

**SHERIFF REPORT:**

Donna Baranyai, 911 Director present. 9-1-1 election expenses discussed. Still waiting on additional information from Albert, and Loud has not turned in their bill yet. Clerk Neilsen also suggests not paying \$92.00 for Per Diems to Avery's two Election Commission members. Motion by Edwards, seconded by Peterson to pay the townships, except for Albert and Loud. Yeas: 4 Nays: 1 (LaFleche) Motion passed.

Under Sheriff Crane present. 21 inmates (9 Presque Isle). Solid Circle to go live today. Old plow truck at department is done, reverse went out. Will need to have someone do the plowing since both trucks are down. Court Deputy Schiable worked on and submitted a job description as well as a report of activities. Training and testing being done

on two correction officer replacements. Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Wagner to hire KNK to snow plow (\$65 p/plow & \$60 f/sanding) courthouse. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried. Ken Werner of KNK to come up with price to do MCSD and submit. In the interim will take care of plowing at MCSD if needed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

MERS LIABILITY PAYMENT: A decision needs made on which account(s) the \$100,000.00 liability payment to MERS goes into. Discussion. Motion by Edwards, seconded by Peterson to pay off Division #10 (\$49,932.00) and the remaining balance of \$50,068.00 to go to Division #2 (Sheriff). Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

MMRMA COVERAGE F/2018: Will be receiving reimbursements of \$17,441.00 and \$6261.00. Motion by Carroll, seconded by Wagner approving coverage with MMRMA in the amount of \$148,252.00 for 2018. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

ANNUAL HIPPA COMPLAINCE PLAN: Motion by Edwards, seconded by Wagner approving HIPPA compliance report/names for 2018. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

FOC CONTRACT: Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Edwards approving payment of \$1581.75 quarterly for FOC budget. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**COMMITTEES:**

- LaFleche: C&A, Finance, Landfill, District Health #4
- Carroll: Northern Counties, Landfill
- Edwards: Road Commission, DHHS
- Wagner: None

**FINANCE:**

Motion by Edwards, seconded by Wagner to participate in the MERS health insurance premium deduction for retirees and authorize the chair to sign (county to pay all the fees). Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

The Building Inspector submitted a bill for \$1900.00 to pay for the fill in Inspector while he was gone. Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Peterson to pay the \$1900.00 out of the building department budget. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Discussion on upgrade to recording system in Courtroom B/Board room. Motion passed at the 8/23/17 meeting to pay for upgrades. Line item # to pay from is 101-228-931.04.

**COMMITTEES CON'T:**

- Peterson: Health Dept. #4, Finance, C&A, Thunder Bay Transportation

**FINANCE CON'T:**

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wagner to join all 3 Chambers of Commerce for 2018. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**OTHER:**

Motion by Edwards, seconded by Carroll to continue with stipends for 2018, same amounts as last year. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Wagner, seconded by Peterson to give a 2.1% pay increase to non-union, elected (including BOC) as well as part timers making \$12.00 or more per hour. Discussion. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

11:19 A.M. Meeting adjourned subject to call of the chair.

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Daryl Peterson, Chairperson

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Cheryl A. Neilsen, County Clerk