

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD DECEMBER 12, 2018**

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

ABSENT/EXCUSED: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jack Oeder, Gary Girardin, Yvonne Swagger

PLEDGE

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

Additions: Health Insurance, Closed Session: Personnel, MCSD Union

Deletions: None

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

CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS:

Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Peterson approving payment of bills (including not entered \$11,069.08 BCBS Insurance). Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Carroll, Edwards, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner) Nays: 0 Motion carried

MINUTES:

Motion by Edwards, seconded by LaFleche approving the special minutes of November 27, 2018. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Wagner, seconded by Carroll approving the regular session minutes of November 28, 2018. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

TREASURER:

Connie Brandt, Chief Deputy Treasurer, present. Nothing new to report.

SHERIFF: Sheriff Brown present. Jail count at 17 (3 Presque Isle). Discussion on transfer of some funds that have been sitting. Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Peterson to transfer \$1408.66 from T&A 228.610 to 264-362-607.264 State Booking Fee. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Myron McIntire, Hillman Village President present. Lengthy discussion on recycling program. They have recently changed their recycling to Alpena Recycling. Some new grants available right now through the Governors office. Discussion. Commissioner LaFleche will go back to the Landfill board and discuss monies being paid to the local townships be designated to recycling.

Myron McIntire also discussed ways to obtain monies from the state for a county airport. He would like to see Hillman become a designated county airport and funded. Also discussed Veteran in Hillman who needs batteries for his scooter and a request to have the board see if they couldn't increase funds.

OTHER:

VETERANS TREATMENT COURT: Kristen Cheedie, present. Request to increase wages for Probation Officer/Case Manager. Discussion. Motion by Carroll, seconded by Wagner approving \$25.25 p/hour for the District Court/Veterans Probation Officer effective Jan. 1, 2019. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Carroll to pay a veteran's treatment bill for drug tests (\$950.00). Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Cheedie indicated she will be turning in her resignation as Magistrate once the Judge returns.

POSTING OF 2019 BUDGET: Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wagner posting 2019 budget numbers in the paper for public comment (Revenues: \$4,303,615.00 & Expenses: \$4,290,785.00). Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Edwards, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Carroll) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE: Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wagner that the 2019 health premium reimbursement remain at 20% for active and retirees. Discussion. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Carroll, Edwards) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Carroll, seconded by LaFleche that the current health insurance plan will remain the same for active and retirees (under 65). Yeas: 4 (Roll call: Peterson, Wagner, Carroll, LaFleche) Nays: 0 Abstain: 1 (Edwards) Motion carried.

EQUALIZATION: Discussion on full time appraiser position with E.Q. Director Keller. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wager to offer the appraiser position to Beth Offerman at \$14.50 p/hr. with benefits effective 12/2/18. Discussion. Yeas: 4 (Roll call: Wagner, LaFleche, Edwards, Peterson) Nays: 1 (Carroll) Motion passed.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wagner authorizing to hire a part time equalization description clerk at \$12.25 p/hr. starting Jan. 2, 2019. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Carroll, Edwards, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

FINANCE/OTHER:

TREASURER OFFICE: Deb Ewing will not be returning as Deputy Treasurer per letter from Treasurer Jean Klein. Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Peterson authorizing to fill the position of Deputy Treasurer (Kathi Edwards) full time with benefits at \$13.25 p/hour and a raise of .50 cents Jan. 1, 2019. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Edwards, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Carroll) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

STIPENDS: Discussion on previous motion made removing stipends from payroll and issuing a 1099 specifically the Remon position. Motion by Carroll, seconded by Edwards to eliminate the Remon stipend from the 1099 motion. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LaFleche: Landfill, Claims & Accounts, Finance
Edwards: Thunder Bay Transportation

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wagner returning stipends for Foreclosure/PRA Admin.; 911 Admin and Law Library back to W-2's. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Wagner: NEMSCA, Union, Landfill
Peterson: Claims & Accounts, Finance, Union
Carroll: Mi. Works

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

10:33 A.M. Break
10:43 A.M. Back in session

CLOSED SESSION:

10:43 A.M. Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Peterson to go into closed session to discuss personnel issues. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Carroll, Edwards) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

10:54 A.M. Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Wagner to go back to open session. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Carroll, seconded by Wagner approving the attorneys modified recommendation for settlement and authorize the chair to sign; funds to come from the Building Department Fund Balance. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

10:55 A.M. Break for the following:

RETIREE INSURANCE PRESENTATION:

John Lee from Humana and Jim Munn from Valley United present. Retirees present included: Dan Braun, Grace Halberg, Pat Baker, Michael Juszak, Rose Tchorzynski, Deb Allen, Del McElroy, Naomi Deo, Connie Marlatt, Will Funk. Question and answer session along with presentation of new health coverage for retirees over 65.

11:52 A.M. Break before resuming regular meeting.

12:01 P.M. Back in regular session. Motion by LaFleche, seconded by Edwards authorizing payment of \$142.98 for purchase of a battery for a veteran. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

12:02 P.M. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Carroll to go into closed session to discuss union negotiations. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Peterson, Wagner, Carroll, Edwards, LaFleche) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

12:36 P.M. Motion by Carroll, seconded by LaFleche to return to regular open session. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

12:37 P.M. Meeting adjourned subject to call of the chair.

Daryl Peterson, Chair

Cheryl A. Neilsen, County Clerk