

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD JUNE 27, 2018**

PRESENT: Daryl Peterson, Albert LaFleche, Stacy Carroll, Donald Edwards

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Dave Wagner

ALSO PRESENT: Linda Uchwal, Brian Crane, Yvonne Swager, Julie Goldberg, Jean Klein, Kevin Keller, Jack Ogden

PLEDGE

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

Additions: Resolution 18-05, Retirement Funding,

Deletions: Auditor Report

Motion Peterson, 2nd Carroll, approving the Agenda with changes. Yes: 4, Nays: 0, Motion carried.

MINUTES:

Motion LaFleche, 2nd Carroll, approving the minutes of 06/13/18 with correction to page 1, paragraph #2 indicating DEQ inspected building the day after evacuation, and under committee report for Edwards indicate that the reason for use of the Courthouse will be for employees to attend Annual Emergency Training. Yes: 4, Nays 0, Motion carried.

CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS:

Motion LaFleche, 2nd Peterson, approving payment of claims & accounts. Yes: 4, (Roll Call: Carroll, Peterson, LaFleche, Edwards), Nays: 0, Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Auditor will attend next meeting to give report on the County Audit. (Road Commission Audit received and filed)

Commissioner Wagner arrives and attends meeting in progress.

TREASURER REPORT:

Jean Klein, Treasurer present. Topics Included: Lake level funds and accounts, 1st Federal of Northern Michigan's merger with M Bank and how it will effect the County, still searching for new employee, Treasurer is checking into extra training for BS & A Programs for her and her staff.

SHERIFF REPORT:

Brian Crane, Under Sheriff present. Total of 16 inmates, 15 Local and 1 from another county.

Wall structure for 911 phone center has been completed and trenching has begun for running of phone and internet lines.

Employee Annual Emergency Training is being prepared, Dave Utt is assisting with the program.

Paving of the parking lot at the Sheriff Department's Evidence Barn has not been completed yet.

OLD BUSINESS:

EMERGENCY POLICY:

Emergency Policy has been reviewed by all Commissioners, Linda is to make copies and send to all departments.

REVOLVING LOAN, EDA, USDA & CDBG:

Jodi Gordon explains what is needed to voluntarily terminate/dissolve the revolving loan fund.

Motion Carroll, 2nd Peterson, to dissolve Revolving Loan Fund and voluntarily terminate the EDA Revolving Loan Grants. Yes: 5 (Roll Call: Peterson, LaFleche, Edwards, Carroll, Wagner), Nays: 0, Motion carried.

Motion Carroll, 2nd Wagner, to distribute funds as follows from the C.D.B.G. Program:

\$1,126.59 for Administrative use.

\$1,965.58 Montmorency County for beautification of front steps to the Courthouse.

\$9,195.00 to the Village of Hillman for beautification program.

\$ 500.00 to Eagle Scout Program to complete basketball court.

Yes: 5, (Roll Call: LaFleche, Edwards, Carroll, Wagner, Peterson), Nays: 0, Motion carried.

Jodi informed the Board that Alpena County offers Revolving Loans to Montmorency County, she was just made aware of this program.

MERS RETIRMENT LIABILITY:

Motion Peterson, 2nd Carroll, Pay \$100,000.00 to MERS for funding the employee retirement fund, Treasurer to designate where the funds will come from to cover the payment. Payment shall be applied equally to retirement accounts. Yes: 5, (Roll Call: Edwards, Carroll, Wagner, Peterson, LaFleche), Nays: 0, Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 18-04

Opposing HB 6049 and SB 1025,
Carroll/Wagner, Yeas: 5, (Roll Call:
Edwards, Carroll, Wagner, Peterson, LaFleche),
Nays: 0, Resolution passed.

RESOLUTION 18-05

Opposing SB 1031,
Commissioner Peterson abstains from vote as it
would create a conflict of interest.
Carroll/LaFleche, Yeas: 4, (Roll Call:
Carroll, Wagner, LaFleche, Edwards),
Nays: 0, Resolution passed.

INMATE BC/BS CONTRACT:

Motion Carroll, 2nd LaFleche, authorizing Chairman to sign the 1 year contract with BC/BS for inmate medical as presented. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Wagner: MAC Conference, Personnel, Landfill, Building & Grounds (Phone conf)

Peterson: NEMCOG, Finance, Claims & Accounts, Health Department, MAC Conference

Motion: Peterson, 2nd Wagner, approving a 2% increase of current annual contribution to NEMCOG. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion carried.

LaFleche: Claims & Accounts, Finance, Health Department, Landfill

Carroll: 911, MAC Conference, EDC, Personnel, MI Works

NEW HIRE MEDICAL INSURANCE POLICY:

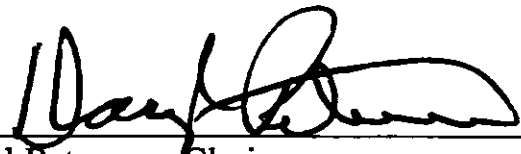
Motion Wagner, 2nd Carroll, effective July 1, 2018, all new non-union hires once eligible for Medicare Benefits they will no longer be allowed to receive Medical Insurance through the County. They will receive a \$150.00 per month stipend to assist in obtaining their own supplemental policy. Yes: 5, (Roll Call: Peterson, LaFleche, Edwards, Carroll, Wagner), Nays: 0, Motion carried.

Edwards: DHHS, Road Commission

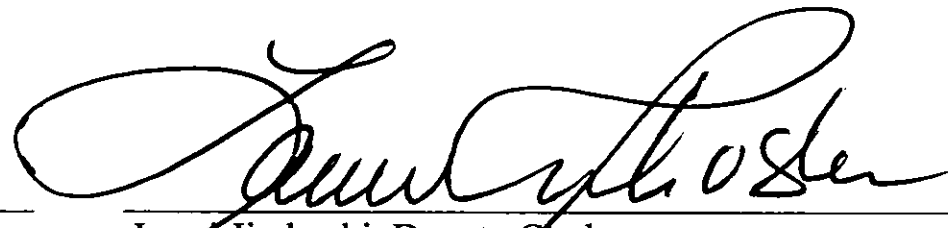
PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

10:21 A.M. Meeting adjourned subject to call of the chair.

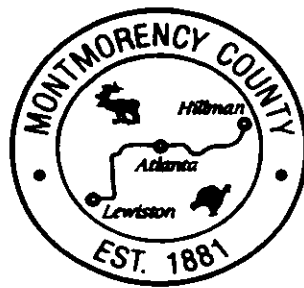


Daryl Peterson, Chairman



Lauri Jimkoski, Deputy Clerk

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RESOLUTION 18-04

Resolution in Opposition of HB 6049 and SB 1025

WHEREAS, House Bill (HB) 6049 and Senate Bill (SB) 1025 seeks to completely restructure the tax assessing qualifications, process and boundaries of local assessing units in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, HB 6049/SB 1025 will impose a huge financial burden on Montmorency County as well as Michigan's other counties and local units because its mandates will require increased staffing levels and office space while providing a woefully inadequate 1% administrative fee and undefined "start-up funding" to compensate the counties and other local units for the drastic expenses that will surely accompany the new mandates; and

WHEREAS, HB 6049/SB 1025 will put Montmorency County at odds with its local townships by requiring us to take the 1% administration fee from the local units to pay for our increased costs; and

WHEREAS, HB 6049/SB 1025 changes the manner in which local boards of review (BOR) are conducted. By putting specialized BOR's at the county level, HB6049/SB 1025 has the potential to strip elected township supervisors and local assessing units of control over the tax assessing process, depriving them of the ability to account for unique conditions and values unknown to county-wide, regional and/or statewide assessing units but well known in the local units; and

WHEREAS, HB 6049/SB 1025 appears to have been designed without any input from existing assessors or their associations and the previous drafts were not made public to the counties and townships directly affected by its sweeping changes until nearly ready for introduction into the Michigan Legislature; and

WHEREAS, there are no guarantees that quality education will be available locally or even regionally to allow for the increased certification levels imposed by HB 6049/SB1025; and

WHEREAS, HB 6049/SB 1025's proposed levels of certification for assessors will not achieve the results that are being sought. The real problem is bad assessors, not their levels of certification. The solution lies in better policing of assessors by the State Tax Commission, not simply imposing increased educational requirements that may be impossible to achieve and that do nothing to weed out the bad assessors; and

WHEREAS, Montmorency County views HB 6049/SB 1025 in its current form as an unfunded mandate which does nothing to accomplish its stated goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montmorency County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes HB 6049/SB 1025 and asks that it be referred back to the House Tax Policy Committee and the Senate Finance Committee until the funding issues and other problems identified above can be properly addressed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will be forwarded to all counties in Michigan, Michigan House Representative Triston Cole, Senator Jim Stamas, and Governor Rick Snyder.

MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By:  _____
Daryl Peterson, Chairman

PRESENT

Commissioner Dave Wagner
Commissioner Albert La Fleche
Commissioner Daryl Peterson
Commissioner Stacy Carroll
Commissioner Don Edwards

ABSENT

On a motion by Commissioner Carroll
and seconded by Commissioner Wagner

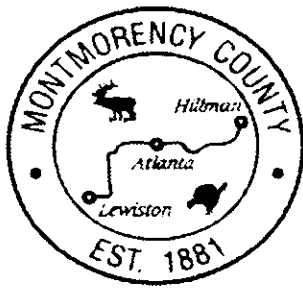
Yeas 5

Nays 0

I, Lauri Jimkoski, Deputy County Clerk, hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of the resolution adopted by the Montmorency County Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting held on June 27, 2018.

Signed:  _____

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RESOLUTION 18-05

A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1031

WHEREAS, Senate Bill (SB) 1031 seeks to amend the General Property Tax Act to exempt qualified utility personal property from the collection of taxes under the Act; and

WHEREAS, "Qualified utility personal property" under the Act would include both of the following utility personal property: electric transmission and distribution systems, substation equipment, spare parts, gas distribution systems, water transmission and distribution systems, gas storage equipment, and transmission lines of gas or oil transporting companies; that was initially installed in the State after December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, SB 1031 in its present form as introduced on May 29, 2018, will impose a financial burden on Montmorency County and its local units, as it will not only reduce personal property tax revenues in 2019, but every year thereafter those annual losses will continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, SB 1031 was reported favorably by the Senate Committee on Finance without amendment for immediate effect to the Committee of the Whole on June 6, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Montmorency County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes SB 1031.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will be forwarded to all counties in Michigan, Michigan House Representative Triston Cole, Senator Jim Stamas, and Governor Rick Snyder.

RESOLUTION approved this 27th day of June, 2018, by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Montmorency.

MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: 

Dave Wagner, Vice Chairman

PRESENT

Commissioner Dave Wagner
Commissioner Albert La Fleche
Commissioner Daryl Peterson
Commissioner Stacy Carroll
Commissioner Don Edwards

ABSENT

On a motion by Commissioner Carroll
seconded by Commissioner LaFleche

Abstain 1

Yeas 4

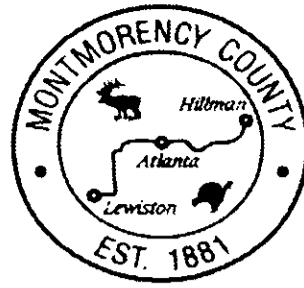
Nays 0

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Regular Board Meeting

Agenda

June 27, 2018

9:00 a.m.

Boardroom/Courtroom

CALL TO ORDER

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

Add Resolution 18-05

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)

- Auditor's Report from Straley, Lamp & Kraenzlein, P.C.

TREASURER'S REPORT

SHERIFF'S REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

- Emergency Situations Policy reviewed
- Revolving Loan Fund

NEW BUSINESS

- Resolution 18-04 Opposing HB 6049/SB 1025 Assessing changes and mandates
- BC/BS Inmate contract approval

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

OTHER

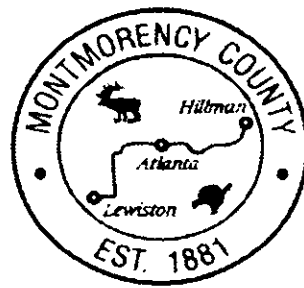
ADJOURN SUBJECT TO CHAIRMAN

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 WEDNESDAY, July 11, 2018

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES

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Montmorency County Board of Commissioners

**Finance Committee Meeting
Monday, June 25, 2018**

10:00 a.m.

Board Room

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Payment to MERS of \$100,000.00 towards retirement liability**
- **\$3500.00 initial payment to Schulze Construction for handicap ramp added to East Entrance Project to be added to claims**

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Next meeting: July 9, 2018

Please Sign In.

June 27, 2018

Jack Oeder

Julie Goldberg

Gyonnae Sagar

Tinslem

Kevin Keller

Jean M. Klein

Security Committee Meeting

May 24, 2018

Present: Ben Bolser, Jeff Schaible, Teresa Walker, Dave Utt, Chad Brown, Don Edwards

Absent: Brian Crane

1:00 p.m.

Opened discussion looking for recommendations, to be presented to the BOC, in reference to Authority when an Emergency occurs.

Any Department Head (or immediate supervisor):

- can decide to evacuate their department or take action (situation dependent) if they determine that there is an immediate threat or danger to them or their staff
- should then call 911
- provide BOC notification if applicable
- return only when it has been determined to be safe

BOC is the only authority to determine when the Courthouse gets closed and the notification process.

Open discussion with Department Heads about the protocol for emergency situations, (i.e. training, phones)

There is a need to seek permission from BOC to have a mandatory training for all employees.

There will be an active shooter scenario to be held at our Courthouse on 8/16/18 @ 3:30 pm. All employees are to stay and be a part of the exercise. There will be approximately 15 "victims" and the BOC will be invited to attend. The drill will include, Tri-Township Fire, Tri-Township EMS, MCSD, all emergency entities will participate within the scenario.

Adjourn 2:45 p.m.

-Teresa

1. Emergency situation will first call chairperson, then vice chairperson, then emergency coordinator, then sheriff (911 as well), in that order.
2. Direction will be given on first person above to direct staff to a proper and safe place, probably the parking lot. Upon verification from fire dept. the staff will return to work. No supervisor will allow their staff to have the day off unless notification from a commissioner. A safe protected place will be given for the employees due in inclement weather which will be determined and given to staff.
3. Emergency coordinator and sheriff can direct staff to safe place with the help of fire dept. No one is to leave premises until everyone is checked to make sure they are okay to leave, if EMT folks determine staff person needs help, then proper help should be given at county expense. That means up to hospital visit if appropriate.
4. A report will be given to the secretary of the board, then that person will inform our insurance carrier or if another private company is doing work at the courthouse or jail, the company will be immediately notified of incident by board secretary or maintenance staff person.
5. All precautions will be taken for the safety and welfare of each individual.
6. As much coordination will be given to the incident between staff and individuals name in #1 above.
7. If it is determined by the board of commissioners to dismiss staff, only the chair or vice chair will give that permission.