

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD JUNE 24, 2020**

PRESENT: Don Edwards, Gary Girardin, Albert LaFleche, Daryl Peterson, Dave Wagner

ABSENT/EXCUSED: None

ALSO, PRESENT: Christi Cross, Chad Brown, Brian Crane, Jean Klein, Kevin Keller, Amber Woehlert

PLEDGE

ADD/DELETIONS:

Add: Political Sign Clarification, E.Q. Director Salary

Delete: None

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

MINUTES:

Motion by Wagner, seconded by Girardin approving the regular meeting minutes of June 10, 2020. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS:

Motion by Wagner, seconded by Girardin approving payment of bills. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Edwards, Girardin, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

2019 AUDIT PRESENTATION: Kristy Schulze present from auditor firm. Had presentation on 2019 county audit.

TREASURER REPORT:

Jean Klein present. Balance sheet handed out (G.F. Balance of \$319,775.00). Have been receiving county revenue sharing payments as normal. Discussed 2 bills that are going to the senate.

E.Q. SALARY:

Amber Woehlert appearing. Discussion on salary and budgeting for taxes. Motion by Edwards, seconded by Girardin to make salary for E.Q. Director \$48,096.98 effective August 1, 2020. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Girardin, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Edwards) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

SHERIFF REPORT:

Sheriff Brown and Under Sheriff Crane present. Sheriff Brown thanked all who aided in the recent search and rescue effort.

OTHER:

Motion by Wagner, seconded by Girardin to have the county treasurer sign the time sheets of E.Q. staff. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

USDA GRANT/SHERIFF PATROL VEHICLE: Comment period for anyone and requirement of USDA funding. No comments by anyone.

EMERGENCY MANAGER BUDGET: Motion by Edwards, seconded by Peterson naming MCCOA centers as added emergency centers. Discussion. Motion withdrawn.

NEW BUSINESS CON'T:

LAKE LEVEL PETITION (LAKE HIAWATHA): Mr. James Warner appearing. Petition signatures obtained to establish a legal lake level for Lake Hiawatha. Discussion held. Looking for a resolution and delegating drain commissioner. Discussion on deposit.

RESOLUTION 2020-03

RESOLUTION TO REQUIRE A PRELIMINARY STUDY AND CASH DEPOSIT IN RESPONSE TO THE SUBMISSION OF A PETITION TO DETERMINE A NORMAL LAKE LEVEL FOR LAKE HIAWATHA Peterson/Wagner Yeas: 5 (Roll call: LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner, Edwards, Girardin) Nays: 0 Resolution passed.

BACK TO OLD BUSINESS:

MERS PENSION PAYMENT: Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wagner amending the motion from June 10, 2020 on moving \$150,000.00 from foreclosure fund and applying to outstanding balance on employee pension plans equally to plans 01 and 02 instead. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Peterson, Wagner, Edwards, Girardin, LaFleche) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

BACK TO NEW BUSINESS:

ASSESSOR DESIGNATION: Discussion. Motion by Girardin, seconded by Wagner to designate Amber Woehlert as the Designated Assessor. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Wagner, Edwards, Girardin, LaFleche, Peterson) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

OTHER:

COMPUTER FOR JUDGES CHAMBERS: Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wagner to table request for computer in judges' chambers. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

BACK TO NEW BUSINESS:

TELEWORKING POLICY: Discussion on Open Meetings and governor's extension of remote meetings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Wagner: C&A, Finance, Landfill
- LaFleche: C&A, Finance, District Health
- Edwards: None
- Peterson: District Health, TBTA, Census, NEMCOG, Sheriff
- Girardin: Sheriff, EDC

OTHER CON'T:

POLITICAL SIGNS: Commissioner Edwards requests clarification on political signs and county policy as it relates to employees. Are they ok to be on employee cars? Discussion. No formal action taken. Appears consensus is ok if on employee cars in parking lot, just cannot park employee cars overnight unless you notify board office, so they do not get towed.

CLOSED SESSION:

11:34 A.M. Motion by Wagner, seconded by Peterson to go into closed session on Union Arbitration and Elections. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Edwards, Girardin, LaFleche, Peterson, Wagner) Nays: 0 Motion carried.

11:50 A.M. Back in regular open session.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

11:51 A.M. Meeting adjourned.

Albert LaFleche, Chair

Cheryl A. Neilsen, County Clerk