

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING HELD JUNE 23, 2021**

**PRESENT:** Don Edwards, Gary Girardin, Geyer Balog, Dawn Hubbard, Robert Stacey

**ABSENT/EXCUSED:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** No sign in due to COVID

**PLEDGE**

**AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:**

**Additions:** Increase to Prosecutor GL line for Child Care Program, Resolution for American Rescue Plan, Per Diem for ARP information webinar held 5/26/2021, ARP Workshop for Elected Officials and Board Members, Jail Closure.

**Deletions:** None

Motion Stacey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Girardin, approving agenda with additions. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

**MINUTES:**

Motion Balog, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hubbard, approving minutes from June 9, 2021. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

Motion Hubbard, 2<sup>nd</sup> Girardin approving minutes from closed session held 6/9/21. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

**CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS:**

Motion Girardin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Stacey, approving payment of claims & accounts with additional bills. Yes: 5, (Roll call: Hubbard, Stacey, Balog, Edwards, Girardin), Nays: 0, Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mike Burzynski Veterans Service Officer presents month end report, 211 system is under funded and will be added to the July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, a rental agreement is needed for fiscal year 2021 to present to MVAA Grant, request the board to consider purchasing new flagpole and flag in honor of Space Force and possibly for the Air and Army National Guard.

Motion Balog, 2<sup>nd</sup> Girardin, to have Christi Cross draft a letter outlining the rental agreement between Montmorency County and the Veterans Office and send to the MVAA for grant approval. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

**TREASURER:**

Cheri Eggett, Treasurer present. Topics discussed, Resolution to establish 208 Fund for American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Fund, request for 2<sup>nd</sup> petty cash drawer with \$200.00 for handling tax overpayments and refunds, discussed the need to establish a committee to oversee the American Rescue Fund funds, Revenue and expenditure report provided to the Board.

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN:**

Resolution 2021-10

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH FUND 280 – THE  
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FISCAL RECOVERY  
FUND. Balog/Stacey Yes: 5, (Roll call: Stacey, Balog  
Edwards, Girardin, Hubbard), Nays: 0, Resolution passed.

Motion Stacey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Balog, allowing the treasurer to establish a petty cash drawer for tax overpayments and refunds. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

Questioned when the \$200.00 stipends for retirees will be disbursed, Julie Morton attending via zoom stated that they would be going out first part of July.

**SHERIFF REPORT:**

Sheriff Chad Brown, Under Sheriff Brian Crane present. Topics included: inmate count is at 9, Alpena Counties Under Sheriff will be meeting with Montmorency Counties Correction Officers on Monday June 27<sup>th</sup> to outline what will be offered to them if they decide to take a position at the new corrections facility, Sheriff request that the board approve a incentive to each corrections officer that remains with Montmorency through the completion of the jail closure and acceptance of a position with Alpena, discussed different ways the employees could be compensated either through funds already budgeted for fiscal year 2021 or through the A.R.P.A., Sheriff has a deputy that due to his service with the National Guard the individual will not receive retirement benefits as they would not have the mandatory 120 hours for the month, MERS Representative attending meeting will review and see if there is any way they waive the mandatory 120 hours and allow benefits as the individual is providing a service to our country.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**MERS HEATH CARE SAVINGS:**

MERS Representative outlined a Retirement Health Care Savings Vehicle Program that could be offered to all new union employees, it would be completely tax free and contributions could be made bi-weekly, many different possibilities for the board to choose when the employees would be fully vested and entitled to 100% of the health care funds.

9:55 break, back in session 10:03

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Motion Hubbard, 2nd Girardin to enter into closed session for meeting with Labor Attorney. Yes: 5, (Roll Call: Balog, Edwards, Girardin, Hubbard, Stacey), Nays: 0, Motion passed.

Return to open meeting @ 11:04.

Break 11:05, back in session 11:10.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**JAIL CLOSURE:**

Discussion about the Interlocal Agreement between Alpena and Montmorency County and the need to establish contingency plan in case the Alpena jail does not have 15 beds available for Montmorency prisoners, jail closing will be completed by the end of August 2021.

Motion Balog, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hubbard, accepting Interlocal Agreement between Alpena and Montmorency County to commence on or before September 1, 2021, with Sheriff Brown over seeing the terms of the agreement. Yes: 5, (Roll Call: Edwards, Girardin, Hubbard, Stacey, Balog), Nays: 0, Motion passed.

Motion Stacey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hubbard, authorizing Sheriff Brown to propose to the Union Steward a \$1,000.00 incentive to any correction officers that remain employed by the Montmorency County Jail until the closure or until they are employed by the Alpena County Jail, the incentive will be paid from the correction officers GL lines. Yes: 5, (Roll Call: Girardin, Hubbard, Stacey, Balog, Edwards), Nays: 0, Motion passed.

**WAGE & SALARY COMMITTEE:**

Dawn Hubbard will be taking the place of Geyer Balog on the Wage & Salary Committee.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**NORTHEAST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH RESOLUTION:**

Resolution 2021-09

TO OPPOSE GEARING TOWARD INTEGRATION. Balog/Girardin, Yes: 5, (Roll Call: Hubbard, Stacey, Balog, Edwards, Girardin), Nays: 0, Resolution passed.

**BUDGET REVIEW:**

Motion Balog, 2<sup>nd</sup> Stacey, to allow the Board Chairman, Treasurer and Budget Director to view the 2020 audit before the auditor submits to the State of Michigan. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

Discussed why the OPEB Actuarial will need to be completed annually.

**PER DIEM FOR AMERICAN RESCUE FUND TRAINING:**

Motion Edwards, 2<sup>nd</sup> Balog, authorizing all Board Members that attended the American Rescue Fund training will be paid a per diem for their attendance. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

**MGT CONSULTING COST ALLOCATION FEE:**

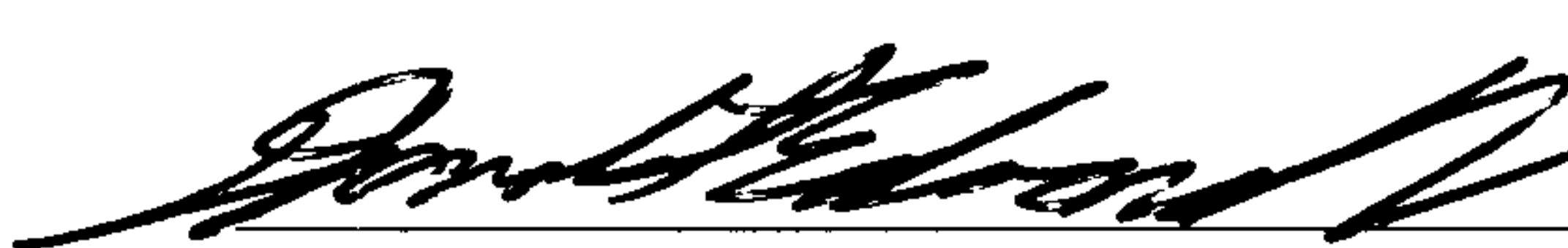
Motion Edwards, 2<sup>nd</sup> Girardin, authorizing an increase to the Cost Allocation Fund general ledger line to cover increase in cost for the coverage new monthly rate is \$680.04 reflecting an increase of \$56.67 per month. Yes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

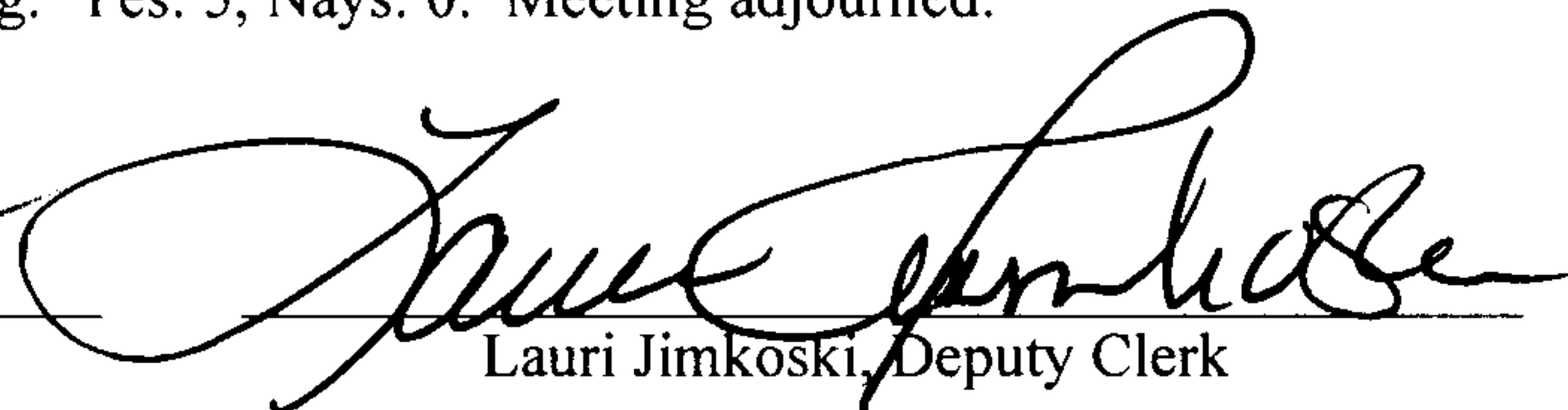
**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Girardin: Claims, Finance, Local Court, Land Fill  
Hubbard: None  
Stacey: Security Meeting  
Balog: Mental Health, Health Department, Security Meeting, Local Court, MI Counties Association  
Edwards: Claims, Finance, Landfill

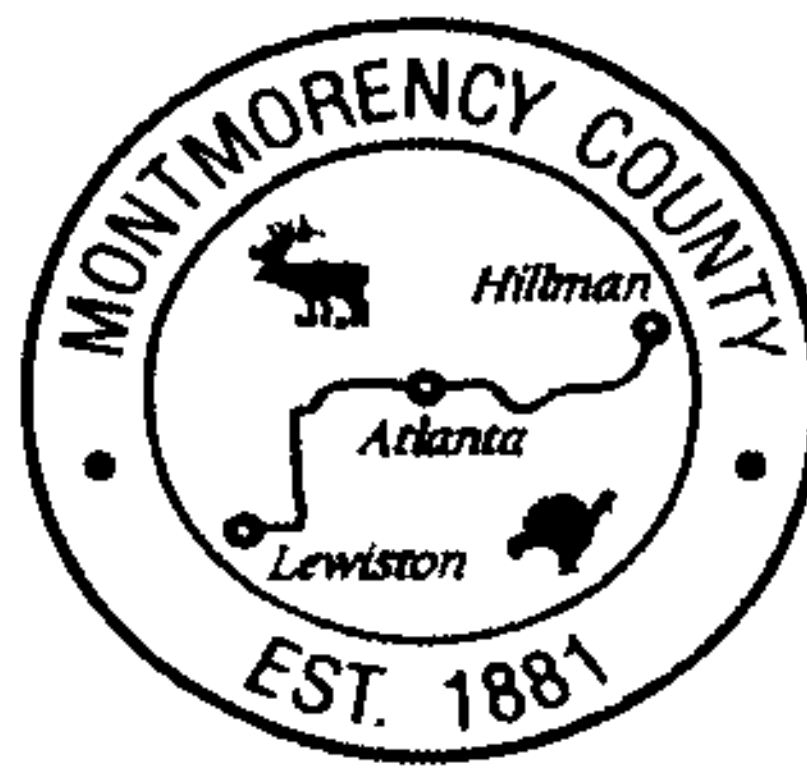
**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Motion Stacey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hubbard, to adjourn meeting. Yes: 5, Nays: 0. Meeting adjourned.

  
Donald Edwards, Chairman

  
Lauri Jimkoski, Deputy Clerk

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## **Montmorency County Board of Commissioners**

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### **RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE GEARING TOWARD INTEGRATION**

#### **RESOLUTION 2021-09**

- WHEREAS, Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority has served for more than 50 years as the public mental health and developmental disabilities services provider for this community, serving over 2,000 residents of Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle Counties each year; and
- WHEREAS, Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority was created by the Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle County Boards of Commissioners as duly authorized under Section 330.1205 of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and
- WHEREAS, Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority and four other community mental health service programs representing 21 counties created a regional entity to manage Medicaid specialty services as duly authorized under Section 330.1204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and
- WHEREAS, Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority includes persons and family members of persons receiving mental health and disability services on the Board of Directors as required under Section 330.1222 of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and
- WHEREAS, Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority and four other community mental health service programs representing 21 counties have required representation from local communities and persons and/or family members of persons receiving mental health and disability services be included on the regional entity Board of Directors managing Medicaid specialty services; and
- WHEREAS, the Section 298 proposal of 2017 effectively nullified the duly authorized actions taken by Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority and the four other community mental health service programs to create a regional entity under Section 330.1204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code. The proposed SIP in this proposal is not a public-private joint venture, but a wholly private managed care organization leaving no role for the public management/oversight, which is currently provided by our regional entity; and
- WHEREAS, Gearing Toward Integration recommendation transfers all Medicaid and Healthy Michigan funding for specialty services to private entities with no accountability to the Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle County Boards of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Gearing Toward Integration recommendation transfers all Medicaid and Healthy Michigan funding for specialty services to private entities with no accountability to persons and/or family members of persons receiving mental health and disability services from Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority; and

WHEREAS, Gearing Toward Integration recommendation will result in the elimination of specialty mental health services that are accountable to the communities of persons residing in Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle Counties; and

WHEREAS, Gearing Toward Integration's requirements for creating a new entity [Specialty Integrated Plan (SIP)] only outlines requirements to become a Medicaid Health Plan and does not address roles currently provided by the local community mental health service programs such as recipient rights, housing and employment supports, community collaboration, etc., which are core to the social determinants, safety net role and community collaborative work of the public system; and

WHEREAS, a requirement to bid to become a SIP includes insolvency coverage (reserves) which the current regional entities, by contract, are not allowed to maintain, thus disqualifying the regional entities from submitting a bid; and

WHEREAS, This proposal does not eliminate any layers – Medicaid Health Plans (MHPs) would pick up the managed care function from the current regional entities at a much higher cost 15% vs. 6% removing this money from the care our people are receiving today,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Montmorency County Board of Commissioners opposes moving our community mental health system from publicly run to privately run, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senate Majority Leaders Mike Shirkey, Speaker of the House Jason Wentworth, Senator Jim Stamas, and Representative Ken Borton to prevent it from becoming law.

Present: Commissioners Don Edwards, Gary Girardin, Robert Stacey, Geyer Balog, Dawn Hubbard

Absent: None

Motion by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Girardin. A roll call vote was taken.

Motion carried with:

YEAS: 5 (Edwards, Girardin, Balog, Stacey, Hubbard)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

  
Don Edwards, Board Chair

6-23-2021  
Date

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF MICHIGAN )

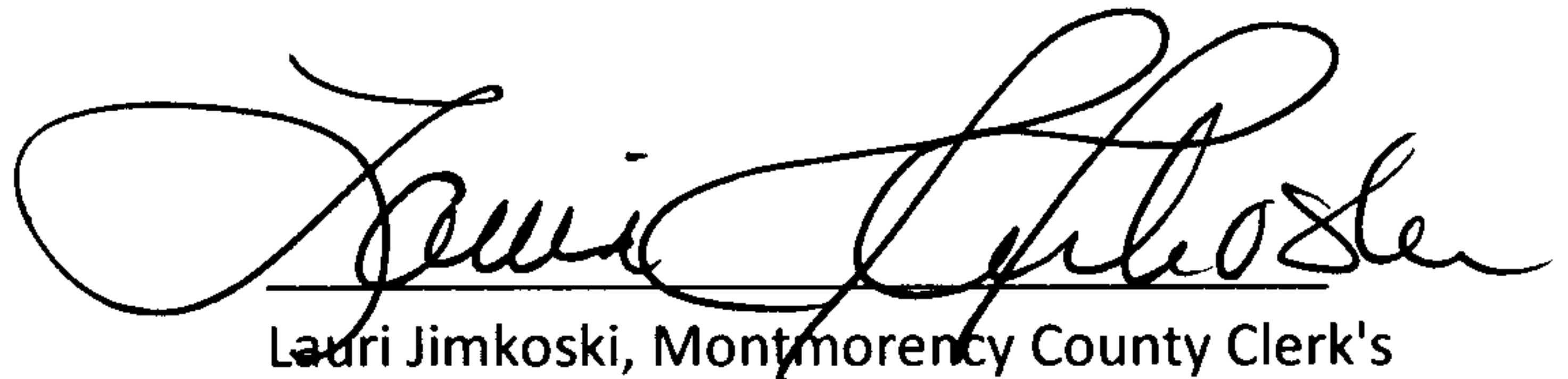
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COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY )

I, the undersigned, duly qualified and acting clerk for Montmorency County DO HEREBY CERTIFY That foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Montmorency County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on June 23, 2021. Public notice was given and the meeting was conducted in full compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Minutes of the meeting will be available as required by the Act.

June 28, 2021

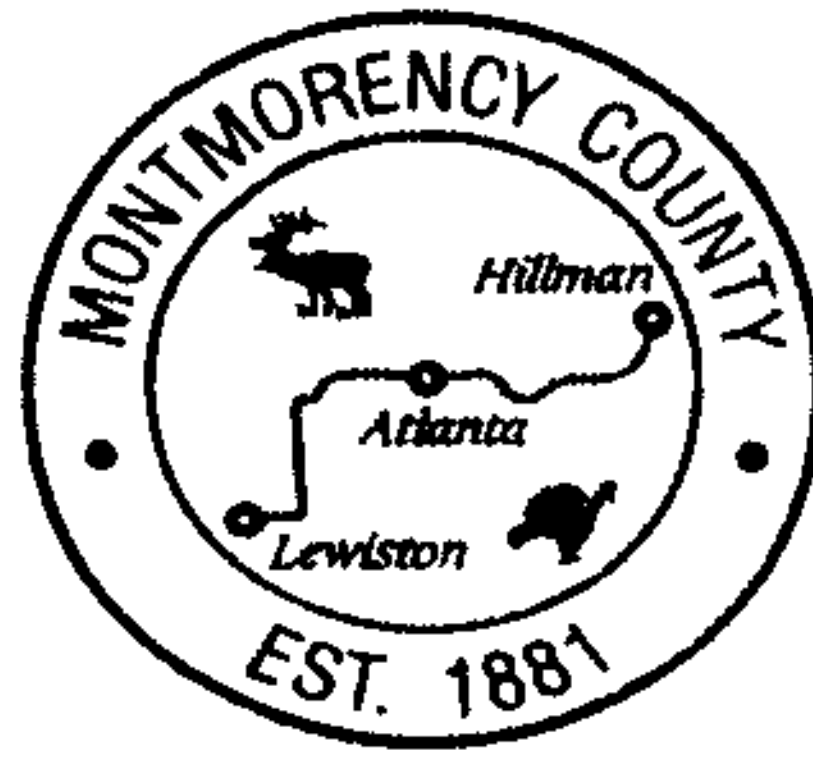
Date



Lauri Jimkoski, Montmorency County Clerk's  
Office

LAURI J. JIMKOSKI  
Notary Public, Montmorency Co, MI  
My Comm. Expires July 16, 2021

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## **Montmorency County Board of Commissioners**

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### **RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH FUND 280 - THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FISCAL RECOVERY FUND**

#### **RESOLUTION 2021-10**

Resolution authorizing the County Treasurer to establish Fund 280-ARPA Fiscal Recovery Fund.

WHEREAS, Montmorency County is expected to receive \$1,800,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Funds which will be received in two equal installments.

WHEREAS, Montmorency County has received \$960,000.00 to date and expected to receive \$960,000.00 approximately one year from now.

WHEREAS, The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds are restricted as defined by the ARPA and,

WHEREAS, The Montmorency County Treasurer recommends establishing a Special Revenue Fund 280 For the specific purpose of tracking revenues and expenditures related to these funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

The Montmorency County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Montmorency County Treasurer to establish Fund 280-ARPA Fiscal Recovery Fund.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

The Montmorency County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the necessary transfers and budget amendments to effectuate this resolution.

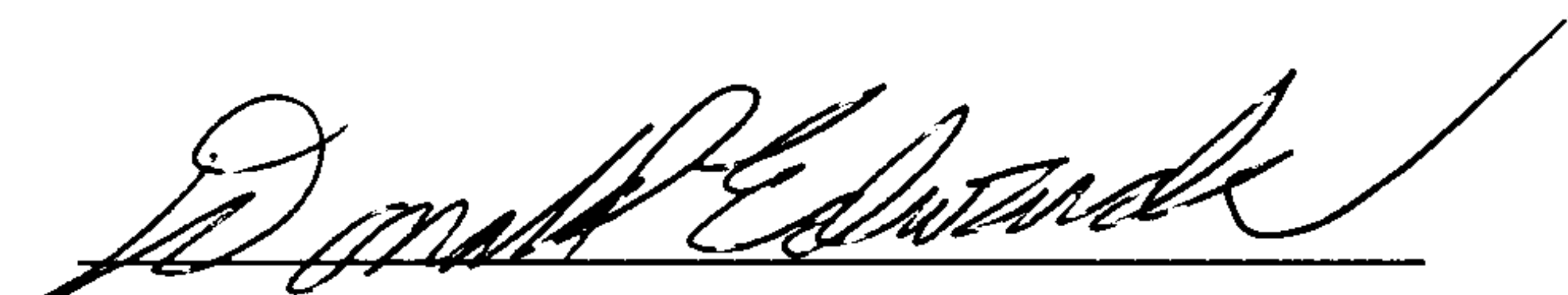
The foregoing resolution was moved for adoption by Commissioner Balog and seconded by Commissioner Stacey and declared adopted by following vote:

AYES: Girardin, Stacey, Balog, Hubbard, Edwards

NAYES: None

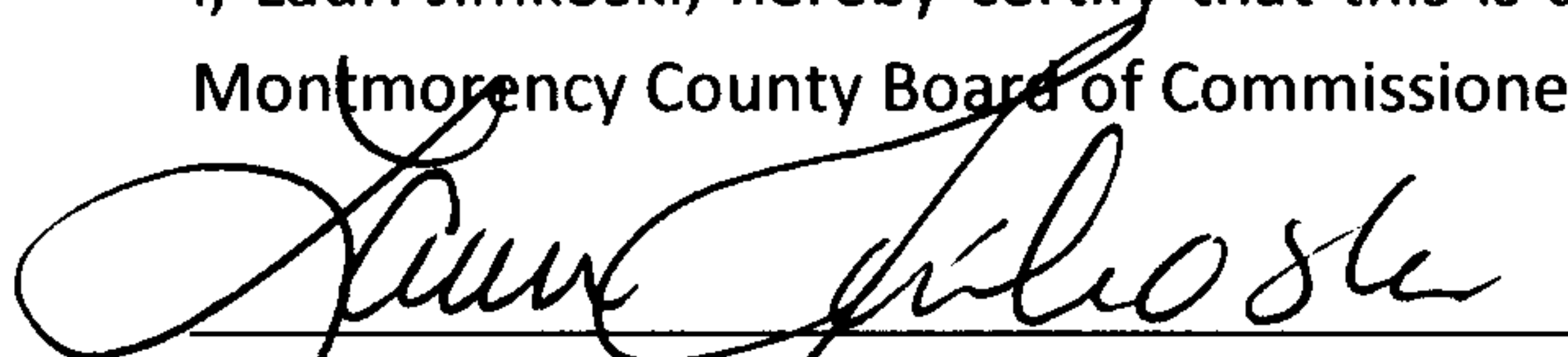
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

  
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Don Edwards, Board Chair

6-23-2021  
Date

I, Lauri Jimkoski, 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 23, 2021.

  
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Lauri Jimkoski, County Clerk's Office

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## Montmorency County Board of Commissioners

### Regular Board Meeting Agenda

June 23 2021 9:00 a.m.

Boardroom/Courtroom

*Clark*

#### CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of minutes from 6-9-21 /Correction- Mac Regional Summit was offered to department heads as well.
- Claims and Accounts from 6-21-21

#### PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### SHERIFF'S REPORT

OLD BUSINESS - Changes to Wage & Salary Committee ✓  
Closed Session- meeting with Labor Attorney ✓

NEW BUSINESS- MERS Retirement Health Care Savings Vehicle Presentation ✓  
NMRE Resolution ✓  
Audit-allow BOC Chair, Treasurer, & Budget Direct to view before Auditor  
Submission to state w/o full board presentation

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### OTHER

✓ Resolution American Rescue Plan  
✓ motion to Approve Per Diem for 5/2/21  
✓ motion to Approve Pros. Budget

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.

**PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES**

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**Montmorency County Board of Commissioners**  
**Finance Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**June 21, 2021**

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Present: Gary Girardin, Don Edwards, Christi Cross, Cheri Eggett, Brian Crane, Chad Brown

Treasurer presented revenue & expenditure report to finance committee. Also requested memos to financial institutions authorizing new Chief Deputy Treasurer to have access to county accounts.

Undersheriff requested more clarity on military leave. Board Chair to call MERS to seek clarity. More discussion on premium pay for CO's who are remaining at jail.

Rep from Prosecutor's office attending to request budget adjustment regarding MGT Consulting Contract with county, which is increasing 56.67 per month. Line-item number: 101-267-954-010.

Claims:	\$ 160,921.68	Not Entered: Conklin	\$382.50
Desk Checks:	\$ 42,346.54	State of MI	\$488.75
<u>Not Entered:</u>	<u>\$ 2,492.37</u>	Mutual of Omaha	<u>\$ 1,621.12</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 205,760.59</b>		<b>\$ 2,492.37</b>