

The regular board meeting of the Huron County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, June 27, 2017, commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners office, Third Floor, Huron County Building, Bad Axe, Michigan.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Khoury with The Lord's Prayer and Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL: Commissioners present: Chairman Sami Khoury, Dave Peruski, John Nugent, John Bodis, Ron Wruble, and Steve Vaughan. Excused - Todd Talaski.

AGENDA: The agenda was reviewed. **Motion** by Vaughan, seconded by Bodis to approve the agenda. Motion carried. Agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion** by Peruski, seconded by Bodis to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes of June 13, 2017, the Regular Board minutes of June 13, 2017 and the Committee of the Whole minutes of June 20, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by Peruski, seconded by Vaughan to approve the Closed Session minutes of June 13, 2017. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Letters from Arlene Schipinski, Sean McVey, Charlotte Sosnoski, Timothy B. Geiger, Jason and Patricia Reinhardt, Craig and Lisa McManaman, Rachel Benson, Karen Iseler, David W. Rothe and four Huron County Resident (whose signatures are not legible) in support to build a community center and asks the Board of Commissioners to agree to help fund and support a community center building.
- Received a letter from Tara K. Kain giving her notice of resignation effective June 23, 2017, from the Huron County Clerk's Office.
- From Jonathan Sacks, Executive Director of the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission notifying the Board that the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs has approved the first set of minimum standards for indigent criminal defense services.
- From Jeffery A. Irwin, CPA from Maner Costerisan, the annual accounting for the period ending December 31, 2016 and 2015 for the Huron County 911 Service District.
- A letter from William R. Knight, Jr., Executive Director of Lakeshore Legal Aid has enclosed the summary of their program and the services they provide with the AAA funds. Prior to a funding decision by Region VII Area Agency on Aging, the Board of Commissioners are invited to comment on this request
- A letter from Dwight Evans, Member of Congress, thanking the Board for contacting him with the concerns about the Environmental Protection Agency.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Commissioner Vaughan announced he will be leaving at 11:30 a.m.
- Commissioner Peruski announced there will be a Personnel Committee meeting today and will be open to the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Limit of 3 minutes per person) No one appeared.

9:08 a.m.

Presentation of Resolution No. 17-93 to Daniel Lanfear, State High Jump Champion.

9:11 a.m.

CONSENT ACTIONS: None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION BY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: #17-95

WE, the PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

WHEREAS, there is a need to hire a part time custodian in the Maintenance Department to fill in when the remaining custodial staff is on vacation, off sick, on leave, etc.; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Jones has applied for said position in the Maintenance Department; and

WHEREAS, Facilities Manager Peg Booms has recommended to the Personnel Committee that Kathleen Jones be hired to fill said position and utilized on an as-needed basis, at a rate of \$13.27 per hour; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Kathleen Jones shall be employed effective July 5, 2017 as a part time employee on an as-needed basis in the Maintenance Department, in accordance with the pay, terms, and conditions of the AFSCME General County Unit I collective bargaining agreement, as negotiated periodically with the Huron County Board of Commissioners.

Motion by Peruski, seconded Nugent to approve this resolution. Discussion followed. Roll call vote: Ayes – Peruski, Nugent, Wruble, Vaughan, Bodis, and Khoury. Nays – None. Absent – Talaski. Motion carried. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION BY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: #17-96

WE, the PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

WHEREAS, there is a need to hire a full time employee to fill the position of Account Clerk/Receptionist in the Friend of the Court office due to a retirement; and

WHEREAS, Marissa Schave has applied for said position in the Friend of the Court office; and

WHEREAS, Circuit Judge Gerald M. Prill has recommended to the Personnel Committee that Marissa Schave be hired to fill said position at Grade 120, Step 1, with a salary of 29,218; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Marissa Schave shall be employed effective July 17, 2017, as a full time employee to fill the above referenced position, in accordance with the pay, terms, and conditions of the Huron County Employee Handbook, as established periodically by the Huron County Board of Commissioners.

Motion by Peruski, seconded Nugent to approve this resolution. Discussion followed. Roll call vote: Ayes – Peruski, Nugent, Wruble, Vaughan, Bodis, and Khoury. Nays – None. Absent – Talaski. Motion carried. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION BY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: #17-97

WE, the PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

WHEREAS, there is need to hire a part time employee to fill the position of part time Deputy Sheriff in the Huron County Sheriff's Office to serve in the capacity(s) designated by the Sheriff including, but not limited to, Work Crew Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Durr has applied for said position in the Huron County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson has recommended to the Personnel Committee that Brandon Durr be hired to fill said position at the rate(s) in accordance with those established per Resolution No. 17-18C (see attached), that being a rate of \$11.00 per hour while in training, increasing to \$14.00 per hour upon completion of training; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Brandon Durr shall be employed effective June 28, 2017, as a part time employee to fill the above referenced position, in accordance with the pay, terms, and conditions of the Huron County Sheriff's Office Policy and Procedures Book.

Motion by Peruski, seconded Nugent to approve this resolution. Discussion followed. Roll call vote: Ayes – Peruski, Nugent, Wruble, Vaughan, Bodis, and Khoury. Nays – None. Absent – Talaski. Motion carried. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION BY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: #17-98

WE, the PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

WHEREAS, there is a need to hire a full time employee to fill the position of Court Recorder/Juvenile Assistant in the Circuit Court Family Division – Juvenile Branch due to a promotion; and

WHEREAS, Taylor Totten has applied for said position in the Circuit Court Family Division – Juvenile Branch; and

WHEREAS, Probate Judge David L. Clabuesch and Chief Judge David B. Herrington have recommended to the Personnel Committee that Taylor Totten be hired to fill said position at Grade 120, Step 1, with a salary of 29,218, increasing to Grade 130 upon obtaining her CEO certification; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Taylor Totten shall be employed effective July 10, 2017, as a full time employee to fill the above referenced position, in accordance with the pay, terms, and conditions of the AFSCME General County Unit II collective bargaining agreement, as negotiated periodically with the Huron County Board of Commissioners.

Motion by Peruski, seconded Nugent to approve this resolution. Discussion followed. Roll call vote: Ayes – Peruski, Nugent, Wruble, Vaughan, Bodis, and Khoury. Nays – None. Absent – Talaski. Motion carried. Resolution adopted.

APPOINTMENTS: Chairman Khoury appoints the following individuals to the Ad-Hoc Negotiating Committee:

- Sami Khoury
- Ron Wruble
- John Nugent

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Bodis to approve the Chairman's appointment of Sami Khoury, Ron Wruble and John Nugent to the Ad-Hoc Negotiating Committee. John Nugent declined. Discussion followed. Chairman Khoury recommends John Bodis as the 3rd member to the Ad-Hoc Negotiating Committee. John Bodis declined. Discussion followed.

9:25 a.m.

Recess

9:29 a.m.

Chairman Khoury explained the Personnel Committee will negotiate with 911, AFSCME 1 & 2 and POAM District Court. The Ad-Hoc Committee will negotiate with the Sergeants Unit, Road Patrol and the Sheriff's General Unit.

Chairman Khoury appoints the following individuals to the Ad-Hoc Negotiating Committee:

- Sami Khoury
- Ron Wruble
- Todd Talaski

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Peruski to approve the Chairman's appointment of Sami Khoury, Ron Wruble and Todd Talaski to negotiate the contracts with the Sergeants unit, Road Patrol unit, and the Sheriff's Department General Unit. Motion carried.

MOTIONS:

Motion by Peruski, seconded by Nugent to accept the resignation of Tara Kain from the position of Deputy County Clerk/Accounts Payable, with regret. Motion carried.

Motion by Peruski, seconded by Nugent to approve the Family Medical Leave Request as submitted by Geanie L. Kanaby. Motion carried.

Motion by Bodis, seconded by Wruble to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement with Juengel & Mellendorf Funeral Home for Medical Examiner Transport Services. Motion carried.

9:35 a.m.

Time scheduled for Matt Taylor and Marne Carlson of MERS. Mr. Taylor and Ms. Carlson reviewed the MERS 2016 Annual Actuarial with the Board.

10:30 a.m.

Recess

10:35 a.m.

REPORTS:

Khoury attended: June 13 – regular board meeting. June 17 – Michigan Sugar Festival Parade. June 19 – Sebawaing Council meeting. June 20 – Committee of the Whole; Fairhaven Township meeting. June 23 – conversation with Von Lozon from the Saginaw News.

Peruski attended: June 13 – regular board meeting; Sherman Township meeting. June 14 – Bingham Township meeting. June 19 – DPW Board meeting. June 20 – Committee of the Whole meeting. June 21 – Meeting with Municipal Employees Retirement System Representatives.

Vaughan attended: June 13 – regular board meeting. June 20 – Committee of the Whole meeting. June 21 – Human Development Commission in Caro.

Bodis attended: June 13 – Finance Committee meeting; met with Treasurer, Deb McCollum; Public Safety meeting with Judge Herrington; regular board meeting. June 14 – MIDC meeting at the BOC office. June 19 – Bad Axe City Council meeting; Sigel Township Board meeting. June 20 – Committee of the Whole meeting; met with Bad Axe City Manager, Dale VanDeVusse. June 21 – Health Department Board meeting; Medical Control Authority Board meeting. June 22 – Finance Committee meeting with auditors.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Motion** by Wruble, seconded Bodis to approve monthly bills as submitted. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Health Department	\$70,780.38
Board Bills Approve	41,520.93
Paid Without Presentation	<u>1,413,049.34</u>
Total	\$1,525,350.65

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT: No one appeared.

10:38 a.m.

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Wruble to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation, pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) under the OMA. Motion carried.

11:10 a.m.

Reconvene the regular meeting.

Ryan Swartz and the FOPLC Union Rep Dave Willis briefly addressed the Board to discuss the grievance. The Union encourages the Board to take action today on the grievance as Mr. Loss is scheduled to proceed to Step 8 today. The Union does not want Mr. Loss to go to Step 8 as it will create a larger issue. Mr. Loss is ok with remaining at Step 7. If the Union's recommendation is accepted today, no further grievance will be filed.

11:15 a.m.

Recess

11:38 a.m.

Motion by Nugent, seconded by Peruski to authorize the Chairman to sign the Letter of Understanding which hereby settles Grievance 5-25-17-FOPLC-35. Motion carried.

11:43 a.m.

Motion by Peruski, seconded by Bodis to go into closed session to discuss negotiation strategy, pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) under the OMA. Motion carried.

12:17 p.m.

Reconvene the regular meeting.

FINAL BOARD COMMENT:

- Commissioner Wruble said the ice arena people are looking for a pledge. The County can't pledge money now going into negotiations. We may just need to fix what we have at approximately \$175,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund. Another reason that we can't pledge anything at this time is the fact that we are still waiting for the outcome on the wind turbine tax appeals. If the outcome is not in our favor, we have to reimburse the overpayment of taxes. Discussion on the surplus fund that MERS is offering. Discussion on OPEB (retiree health) funds and the possibility of moving those funds to MERS for investment. Steve Allen, Corporation Counsel, questioned the legal authority of contributing funds to the building. Commissioner Peruski said it should be the Road Commission. Discussion followed.

12:28 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.

Sami Khoury, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Lori Neal-Wonsowicz
Huron County Clerk