

A Special Joint Meeting of the Iron County Board of Commissioners, the Northstar Health System Board and the Medical Care Facility Board was held on Friday, December 14, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by Iron County Board Chairman Wayne Wales, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll Call was taken with the following Iron County Board members present: Carl Lind, Fran Wills, and Wales. Absent was Beverly Camp and Rosalie King.

The purpose of the joint meeting was to discuss the Medical Care Facility’s decision to contract with an out-of-county provider for a prescription plan. Moved by Lind, supported by Wills, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

Chairman Wales turned the meeting over to the Medical Care Facility Administrator, Chester Pintarelli, to begin the discussion. Pintarelli explained that the decision to go with an out-of-county provider was based strictly on what is good for the Facility. Civil Attorney Steve Tinti asked Pintarelli to explain the financial savings. Pintarelli replied that savings would be approximately \$ 25,000 to \$ 30,000 annually.

Glen Dobson, CFO of Northstar, stated that the hospital would still like to give the Facility a proposal, as there was a misunderstanding, and the hospital did not have a chance to submit one.

Chairman Wales suggested that the Northstar and Medical Care Facility Boards get together to further discuss the issue. It was noted by members from both Boards that working together has never been a problem, and a meeting would be arranged.

A representative from Snyder Drugs noted that Marquette County officials hold the position that if a business in the County can meet their needs, then business will be done in the County. A TDS representative stated that he had contacted Mr. Pintarelli before there was a TDS pharmacy in Iron County, and was told that he would not be considered because he did not have a business in Iron County.

Moved by Lind, supported by Wills, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Chairman Wayne Wales

Clerk Diane Hilberg

An Iron County Finance Committee meeting was held on Thursday, December 20, 2012, at 2:45 p.m. in the Commissioners Room, Iron County Courthouse, Crystal Falls, Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Lind. The roll call was taken, with the following Committee members present: Beverly Camp, Wayne Wales and Lind. The bills were reviewed by the Committee. It was moved by Wales, seconded by Camp, to order the bills be paid in the amount of \$ 268,146.20.

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Wales, Camp, Lind

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Administrator Sue Clisch informed the Committee that the County had received a reply from the State Treasury Department concerning the 2011 Iron County Deficit Reduction Plan. She stated that the report was favorable.

Administrator Clisch reported to the Committee that Administrative Assistant Lisa Masnova has successfully completed her probationary period, and recommended that Masnova be given a \$ 2.00 an hour increase in pay. It was moved by Wales, and seconded by Camp, to approve the \$ 2.00 an hour increase in pay (Making her rate of pay \$18.00), and to remove Masnova from probationary status effective immediately, and to bring the information to the full board.

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Camp, Wales, Lind

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Commissioner Camp wished everyone a Merry Christmas. There being no further business to come before the Committee, it was moved by Wales, and seconded by Camp, to adjourn. Time 2:55 p.m.

Finance Chairman Carl Lind

Deputy Clerk Deborah Kubicsko