

March 8, 2016, Public Hearing & Regular

A Public Hearing of the Iron County Board of Commissioners regarding an addition of a paddle craft landing at Pentoga Park to the MDNRE Trust Fund Grant Application was called to order by Chairman Tim Aho at 4:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken, with the following members present: Brennan, Coates, Leonoff, Peretto, and Aho.

Chairman Aho called three times for public comment. As none was forthcoming, the Board moved to the Agenda of the Regular meeting.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular meeting of February 8, 2016. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Peretto, to approve the minutes of the Special Committee meetings of February 11, February 25, and March 3, 2016. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Coates, supported by Peretto, to approve the Agenda as presented. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

There was no Public Comment.

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Brennen reported that DICSА is looking for a member to fill a vacancy on their Board. Commissioner Peretto noted that the WUPPDR Board conducted a quarterly evaluation of Jerry Wuorenmaa, the new Executive Director, and that he is doing a good job. Peretto also indicated that the County will be receiving two checks from MERMA. Commissioner Leonoff advised that the Chamber of Commerce is looking to fill five positions on their Board.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to accept the Commissioner reports. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Department Reports:

Treasurer Camps reported on the recent tax sale and the collection of delinquent taxes, noting that \$191,000 in delinquent taxes had been collected in February, with approximately \$80,000 being on-line payments. Sheriff Valesano advised that the Emergency Coordination Committee has plans to conduct a simulated Courthouse evacuation. Valesano also asked if there were any monies available for substance abuse counseling to take place in the jail. Commissioner Peretto stated she would speak with Valesano after the meeting, as there may be something available eventually. Register of Deeds Greig explained the new electronic recording system between her office and the County Treasurer's office, whereby documents are sent electronically from the Treasurer to the Register of Deeds, recorded, and then returned to the Treasurer's office, all without any printing taking place.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to accept the Department reports as presented. Voice vote: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Moved by Peretto, supported by Leonoff, to approve the Finance Committee's review of bills in the amount of \$335,593.38 on 2/11/16 and \$611,153.72 on 2/25/16. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Leonoff, to approve the journal entries dated 2/11/16 and 2/25/16, as follows: #9708-9764; 9766-9767; 9768-9777; and 9779-9796. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

New Business:

Rob Anderson from GEI explained the two options for the addition of a paddle craft landing at Pentoga Park to the MDNRE Trust Fund Grant Application. Discussion followed.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to adopt the Resolution of Authorization for the 2016 Trust Fund Grant Application adding a paddle craft landing at Pentoga Park and choosing Option 2, at a cost of \$31,500. Roll call: Ayes 4. Nays 1- Leonoff

Moved by Peretto, supported by Brennan, to approve the resolution adopting the Pension Protections Act (PPA), Heroes Earnings Assistance Relief Act (HEART), AND Worker, Retiree & Employer Recovery (WRERA) amendments which restate qualified plans to maintain compliance with the Internal Revenue code. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Coates, to approve the accumulated benefit payout to Grey Reyst, who retired from Central Dispatch, in the amount of \$2,680.42. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff, to approve the recommendation of the Personnel Committee for salaries of elected officials, as follows: Clerk/Register of Deeds - \$56,000 beginning 1/1/2017; Sheriff-maintain status quo of \$63,481; Treasurer - status quo of \$52,173; and Prosecuting Attorney - status quo of \$86,239.00. Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

The next Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on April 12, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. Finance Committee meetings will be held on March 10 at 1:00 p.m. and March 24 at 9:00 a.m. The Courthouse will be closed on Good Friday, March 25.

Moved by Coates, supported by Brennan, to adjourn.

Diane Hilberg, County Clerk

March 10, 2016, Finance

The meeting of the Iron County Board of Commissioners Finance Committee was called to order by Finance Chairperson, Patti Peretto, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and roll call was taken, with the following members present: Brennan, Leonoff, and Peretto.

The Committee reviewed the bills, and Treasurer Camps submitted journal entries dated 3/10/16.

Prosecuting Attorney Powell informed the Committee that she had requested budget amendments be made to cover the cost of the recent murder trial. Powell noted that those amendments had not been made, and costs so far have totaled approximately \$15,000, with an anticipated additional \$25,000 or more to be paid out. Peretto asked whether those amendments could wait until the County Administrator returns, and Powell indicated that it could wait.

Moved by Leonoff, supported by Brennan, to approve the bills in the amount of \$614,699.82. Roll call: Ayes 3. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Moved by Brennan, supported by Leonoff, to adjourn. Voice vote: Ayes 3. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Diane Hilberg, County Clerk