

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
May 20, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners was held on May 20, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at the Courthouse, Eagle River, MI. The pledge was said at the 6:30 p.m. KML meeting prior.

Commissioners present: Randy Eckloff, Bob DeMarois, Don Piche, Ray Chase, Del Rajala.

The meeting was posted in the Courthouse on the bulletin board and the agenda for the meeting was posted on the door of the Courthouse.

Motion by Rajala supported by Chase and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Rajala supported by Chase and unanimously carried to accept the minutes from the April 15, 2015 regular monthly board meeting and the May 8, 2015 special meeting as presented.

The Treasurer, Sheriff and Mine Inspector reports were received.

Time was allowed for public comment.

Motion by Rajala supported by Chase to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts; General Fund=\$153,590.23 Construction Codes Fund=\$3,807.44 911 Fund=\$8,895.94 Law Library=\$1,348.17, Child Care Fund/Basic Grant=\$203.90 County Veterans Trust Fund=\$ Medical Care Fund=\$1,809.78 Courthouse Improvement Fund=\$1,764.50. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, DeMarois, Chase, Rajala, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to correct the April minutes that appointed Joe Foster to replace Bob Crampton as the Survey and Remonumentation Grant Administrator for Keweenaw County. The minutes should have read Survey and Remonumentation Grant Representative, not administrator.

Motion by Chase supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to set the 2015 County millage rate at 6.25 mills.

Motion by Rajala supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried (Chase abstains) to allow Chase to attend the UPACC meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> contingent upon the agenda coming out and to cover all expenses incurred.

Motion by Rajala supported by Chase and unanimously carried to approve the SBA Extension to Option & Land Lease & Memo of Option & Land Lease at 14107 Brockway, Copper Harbor.

Motion by Chase supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to allow the EDC to move forward with the wind study if there is no cost to the County.

Motion by Rajala supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to have the deeds corrected regarding the lot swap on Eagle River beach between Keweenaw County/Keweenaw County Road Commission/Houghton Township and the Fitzgerald's/LaMotte properties. Fitzgerald's will take care of deed preparation. An error occurred that stated Lot 3, Block 1 when it should have read Lot 4, Block 1 which is contiguous to the Fitzgerald's/LaMotte property.

Motion by Rajala supported by Chase to approve the final payment of \$13,494 to Robert E. Johnson Contracting, Inc regarding the front entrance project. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, DeMarois, Chase, Rajala, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The septic project was tabled until June when more information will be available.

Motion by Chase supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to hire Steven Siira as the County Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Inspector.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to follow MSHDA standards regarding repayments of lifetime loans for homeowners that have a rehabilitation mortgage with Keweenaw County. Homeowners can refinance for a better rate or term but they are unable to obtain additional or excess funds unless the mortgage with the County is repaid.

Time was allowed for public comment.

There being no further business motion by Rajala to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Meeting adjourned sine die.