

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 20, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held May 20, 2009, 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse, Eagle River, MI, opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioners present: Randy Eckloff, Frank Stubenrauch, Don Keith, Joe Langdon. Absent: Carol Rose Fouts.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to approve the agenda with the following additions: Under New Business, 12 f) Air Force Museum; 12 g) Plat Book.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to accept the minutes from April 15, 2009 as presented.

The Treasurer, Sheriff Department and Mine Inspector reports were received.

Rob Aho and Gina Nicholas were guests and spoke about the Central Mine Deposit #2 Stream Restoration Project. There will be ads in the Daily Mining Gazette for bids soon with the project to begin in the end of July.

Ron Lahti appeared before the Board on behalf of the Mohawk Park Committee. The Committee would like to extend the fence at the Mohawk Park up to the concession stand. The total cost of materials would be approximately \$3,000 with volunteers to construct it. The Park Committee raised \$1,000, Allouez Township is giving \$1,000 and they would like Keweenaw County to give \$1,000. Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch to appropriate from the EDC fund \$1,000 for this project. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Keith, Langdon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Keweenaw County Planning Commission was established pursuant to 1945 PA 282 without zoning authority, and created by Resolution in November, 1961; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan Legislature repealed the above-described Act/Statute, and replaced said Statute with Public Act 2008, No. 33, and more specifically MCL 125.3811, which sets forth the creation or continuation of existing commissions, and the transfer to a planning commission the powers and duties of a zoning board or zoning commission; and,

WHEREAS, MCL 125.3883(2) states, in part, "If...a local unit of government had a planning commission without zoning authority created under...former 1945 PA 282,...or, if the planning commission was created by resolution, may by resolution, transfer to the planning commission all the powers and duties provided to a zoning board or zoning commission created under the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, 2006 PA 110, MCL 125.3101 to 125.3702."

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Keweenaw County Planning Commission is established pursuant to 2008 PA 33, MCL 125.3801 to MCL 125.3885, and further transfer to the Keweenaw County Planning Commission all the powers and duties provided to a zoning board or zoning commission created under the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, 2006 PA 110, MCL 125.3101 to 125.3702.

Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Keith, Langdon. Nays: None. Motion carried. (#09-6)

The U.P. Fair resolution was unavailable and will be tabled until the June meeting.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Eckloff to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts: General Fund=\$96,967.07 Construction Codes=\$25.98 911 Fund=\$3,265.27 EDC Fund=\$1,908.80 Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Keith, Langdon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to table the final project agreement concerning the Gratiot River Park Addition. It will be placed under unfinished business for the June agenda.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch to adopt and implement the following zoning changes as recommended by the Planning Commission: From M1 to R1A - Parcel #'s: 42-101-33-102-001 (3518 #6 Rd); 42-101-33-102-003 (3245 #5 Rd); 42-101-33-201-005 (3257 #5 Rd); 42-101-33-201-006 (3329 #5 Rd); 42-101-33-203-001 (Vacant); 42-101-33-101-003 (3358 #5 Rd); 42-101-33-204-003 (449 Branch St-middle property zoned M1 now AG); AND From R2 to M1- SE ¼ of SW ¼, Section 28-T57N-R32W. Board polled: Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Keith, Langdon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Keith and unanimously carried to allow the removal of a hot water tank from Mt. Horace Greeley for the Ahmeek Fire Hall.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to appoint Shari Chase to the EDC for a 2 year term.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to appoint Donald Secor to the EDC for a 3 year term.

The MSHDA grant for Copper Harbor rental rehabilitation was denied at this time.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to appropriate up to \$800 from the EDC fund for port-a-potties as needed for the County Parks.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to have those interested in establishing an Air Force Museum at Mt Horace Greeley meet with the EDC Committee first.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to use the same Plat Book advertising page as used in the 2006 book. It contains a picture of the Courthouse along with a written history of the County.

There being no further business motion by Eckloff to adjourn. Meeting adjourned sine die.

Joseph Langdon, Chairman

Julie A. Carlson, Clerk