

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 16, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held September 16, 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 Keith supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to accept the agenda as presented.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to accept the minutes from August 19, 2009 with the following corrections; 1) paragraph 7 should read "Charlie Hopper appeared before the Board asking for support for a grant that Pasty is applying for to increase speed and reliability OF BROADBAND" and 2) paragraph 20 should read "Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch to double the per diem retroactive to July for the secretary and chairman of the EDC COMMITTEE.

The Treasurer and Sheriff Department reports were received.

Robert Loukus was to appear as a guest but was not present.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Eckloff to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts: General Fund=\$99,684.43 Construction Codes=\$88.00 911 Fund=\$562.62 EDC Fund=\$1,367.15 Law Library=\$390.21 Child Care Fund=\$5,734.91 Medical Care Fund=\$749.00 Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Keith, Langdon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Langdon supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to develop the tourism website with a dropdown menu on the existing County website. The EDC Committee will oversee the project.

Motion by Langdon supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to table the Employment Agreement with the Prosecuting Attorney. It will be put under unfinished business on the next agenda

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to appoint the following people to the Keweenaw County committee for the administration of the County Department of Veteran's Affairs. Joe Finch-3 year term ending 12/31/2012, Jim Huovinen-2 year term ending 12/31/2011 and Don Keith-1 year term ending 12/31/2010. All per diems and mileage for all members will be paid from the County General Fund.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to table the support for the 150th anniversary of the founding of Keweenaw County in 2011. This will be placed under unfinished business for the October agenda.

Motion by Langdon supported by Keith and unanimously carried to authorize the expenditure of \$272.34 for lodging for Joan Nelson to attend training for three nights. The county approved room rate is \$80 per night and this exceeds that amount by \$32.34.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to allow any of the commissioners to attend the UPACC Fall Conference. Clerk will send in registration with appropriate fee.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to send a letter of support for a grant that Bob Kauppi has applied for regarding a marina in Gay.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Eckloff giving Stubenrauch permission to talk to Robert Loukus about a test turbine at Mt. Horace Greeley. Stubenrauch can enter into a contract on behalf of the County stating the the county would be held harmless, that the site would be restored to its original state and that there be a 90 day escape clause and any contract would have to be approved by the county attorney before signing. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Langdon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Keith and unanimously carried to add Butch Gariepy to the agenda under new business regarding a stove at Mt. Horace Greeley for the American Legion.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to allow Stubenrauch to contact the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge about the stove at Mt. Horace Greeley. The Mountain Lodge would have seven days to decide if they want the stove and if they do not respond, it will go to the American Legion in Mohawk.

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

