

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 6, 2008

The official meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held August 6, 2008, 6:30 P.M. at the LacLabelle Fire Hall opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioners present: Joe Langdon, Donald Keith, Jeff Turnquist, Frank Stubenrauch, Randy Eckloff.

Motion by Langdon supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to approve the agenda.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff to correct the minutes of the July 16 meeting pertaining to the Commissioners meeting attendance to include how many members are allowed to attend and how often (1/4ly to mean Jan., April, July, Oct., bimonthly to mean Jan., March, May, July, Sept., Nov.), or monthly if not noted:

Economic Development – 1	Tri-County Community Corrections- 1 1/4ly	Head Start- 1 1/4ly
Building & Grounds – 1	Planning Commission - 1	Finance/Budget -1
Human Services – 1 bi/mon	Substance Abuse – 2 bi/mon	Road Commission – 1
Manpower Consortium – 2	Community Action – 1	UPCAP – 1
Health Dept. – 2	Historic Hghwy/Scenic Byway -1	WUPPDR – 2
UP Resource Conservation -1 1/4	911 Committee – 1	Mental Health -1
US Port Authority – 1 Alternative	MSU Extension Service – 1	Recreation Board -1 (mileage only)
2 Board meetings – all	KEDA - 1	

Board polled. Ayes: Turnquist, Stubenrauch, Langdon, Eckloff, Keith. Naves: None. Motion carried.

The Road Commission minutes were received.

Janet Shea, Chairman of the Brownfield Authority, said the terms of the members are: Janet Shea & Marlin Wingard 3 years, Mark Bonner 2 years, Mac Marzke 1 year, Steve Karpiak 1 year.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Turnquist to pay the approved and audited bills from the following funds: General \$120,569.26; Construction Codes \$589.75; 911 \$23,781.22; Economic Development \$4,721.61. Board polled. Ayes: Turnquist,, Stubenrauch, Langdon, Eckloff, Keith. Motion carried.

Motion by Keith to remove from the agenda, increase in commissioner's compensation. Motion died lack of support.

Motion by Langdon supported by Stubenrauch to remove any more discussion on commissioner's paid health insurance from the agenda. Board polled. Ayes: Stubenrauch, Langdon, Eckloff, Keith. Naves: Turnquist. Motion carried.

Motion by Langdon supported by Keith to accept Michigan Kal Electronic, Inc. proposal to install a conferencing system in the courthouse for \$15,517.92 and five headsets for \$2465.63. Board polled. Ayes: Turnquist, Stubenrauch, Langdon, Eckloff, Keith. Naves: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Keith supported by Turnquist to place the following millage proposal on the November 4, 2008 ballot: Shall the previous voted increase in the 15 mill tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Keweenaw County be renewed at .5 mill (\$.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the years of 2009 through 2012 inclusive for the purpose of police protection, which renewal will raise in the first year \$58,906. Board polled. Ayes: Turnquist, Stubenrauch, Langdon, Eckloff, Keith. Naves: None. Motion carried.

Langdon announced work on the 2009 budget will begin September 1 with an approximate completion date of November 1.

Motion by Keith supported by Eckloff to appropriate up to \$500 from the Economic Development fund for a port-a-potty at the mouth of the Gratiot River for the rest of the season.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Langdon and unanimously carried the Board approve opening timber bids for their Mt. Horace Greeley property.

Three bids were received for timber on Mt. Greeley: Northern Harwood \$31,180 and to pay Keweenaw County 70% more on birdseye & curly maple if any is found; A&M Forest Marketing \$20,543; Longyear Contracting \$10,050.

Motion by Langdon supported by Eckloff to accept the Northern Hardwood bid. Board polled. Ayes: Stubenrauch, Langdon, Eckloff, Keith. Abstain: Turnquist. Motion carried.

The public was allowed time to comment.

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


DONALD B. KEITH, CHAIRMAN

MARILYN WINQUIST, CLERK