

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
February 4, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held February 4, 2009, 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse, Eagle River, MI, opened with the pledge of allegiance.

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

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Keith and unanimously carried to move the Veterans Affairs from under New Business to Guests as it is informational only.

Motion by Fouts supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to move the Recreation/Trails Committee members from under New Business to Guests also.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to approve the agenda with the above changes.

The minutes from January 21, 2009 had one correction. The minutes stated that the Board changed their by-laws, discontinuing the reading of the minutes by the clerk and that this was Rule #3 in the by-laws when in fact it is Rule #5. The minutes were accepted with that correction.

Gentlemen from the Veterans Affairs Board came to voice their concerns about Keweenaw County not having a voting member on the Veterans Affairs Board even though the County now contributes extra voted millage to Houghton County. Keweenaw County resident Joe Finch is a liaison to the Board only, with no voting power. All those present were in favor of having a Keweenaw County resident as a voting member and this will be brought up at the next Veterans Affairs Board meeting on 2/10/09 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Fouts to commit up to \$10,000 from the EDC fund for Part 1 of the land acquisition of approximately 13 acres of land near Copper Harbor as the County's share of the proposed MNRTF grant which is being sought by the Recreation/Trails Committee for trails. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Keith, Fouts, Langdon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to authorize Chairman Langdon to sign an application for Part 2 of this land acquisition of approximately 80 acres from MDOT/Scenic Byways proposed grant also being sought by the Recreation/Trails Committee.

Motion by Langdon supported by Keith and unanimously carried to have Carol Fouts as the County representative to "Champion" these projects with the Recreation/Trails Committee through to completion.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Fouts and unanimously carried to appoint the following people to the EDC Committee: David Sundberg, John Sturos, Ned Huwatschek and to reappoint Richard Schaefer. The expiration of terms will be added under Unfinished Business for the next meeting.

Planning Commission membership will be added under Unfinished Business for the next meeting.

Motion by Fouts supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to revise the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners By-Laws, Rule #2. This revision deals with meeting once per month instead of twice per month. Rule #2 will now read, "The Board shall meet the Third (3rd) Wednesday of each month and all statutory meetings set by law. The time shall be 6:30 p.m. except in cases wherein the Board sets the time upon adjournment. The Board so organized shall always sit with open doors and all requirements of the Michigan Open Meetings Act will be adhered to".

Keweenaw Mountain Lodge budget and financial reporting will be added under Unfinished Business for the next County Board meeting. Eckloff and Langdon have a meeting set to discuss these items with KML staff.

Eckloff will talk to Al Utzman to get the County quotes on more neck loops and an infrared system for downstairs. This item will also be placed under Unfinished Business for the next meeting.

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

Joe Langdon, Chairman

Julie A. Carlson, Clerk