

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, October 8, 2018 - 6:00 p.m.
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom
Tape 353

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Wender at 6:00 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was said by all.
3. Roll Call was taken by County Clerk Dolly Cook and a quorum was present.
Present: Chairman Henry Wender, Vice Chairman Joe Stevens and Commissioners Ann Martin, Barb Kramer and John Degenauer. (5)
Absent: None
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Lt. Aaron Rochon and Controller Brian Bousley.
4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Commissioner Martin to accept the Agenda as written. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Stevens, to approve the following meeting minutes as written:
Finance – September 20th
Special Joint – September 24th
Regular – September 24th All Ayes, Motion Carried.
Commissioner Stevens stated he disagreed with Commissioner Degenauer Jr., about the statement in the Special Meeting minutes of 9/24/2018, on page 2, paragraph 12 that stated when he (Degenauer Jr.) asked questions about the hospital, he was told to call John Schon.... Because Joe (Stevens) would not tell him anything.
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated when and where he said that.
Commissioner Stevens explained how he kept the Board informed about the hospital. He (Stevens) further stated it was a good move to give the parks to the townships. He stated 4-H was a budget thing and the sale of Pinecrest was instigated by a private company. He stated this is our job.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
Commissioner Martin introduced the following students from Mr. Hogberg's Iron Mountain Government Class: John Callahan, Kody Sheldon, Megan Murray and Macy McCormick.
 - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Dale Alessandrini addressed the Board. He stated the Board does not do their due diligence. He stated the hospital went into a closed session for an evaluation of John Schon. He stated it was very clear their discussion was about Veneble. He stated he is going to get an attorney for the many violations of the open meetings act. He stated both pathologists are leaving. He stated nobody is telling them what is going on. He stated we should look at 4-H again.
There was no other participation.
 - B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Martin
 1. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve Resolution 2018-20 Authorizing the sale of portions of Crystal Lake Community Center and related lease of an adjacent County owned parking lot (Excluding the premises of the Dickinson County Senior Center) and granting an easement for installation of a six-inch waterline to service the Northern Lights YMCA. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

**DICKINSON COUNTY RESOLUTION 2018-20 AUTHORIZING SALE OF PORTIONS
OF THE CRYSTAL LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER AND RELATED LEASE OF AN ADJACENT
COUNTY OWNED PARKING LOT (EXCLUDING THE PREMISES OF THE DICKINSON
COUNTY SENIOR CENTER) AND GRANTING AN EASEMENT FOR INSTALLATION OF A
SIX-INCH WATER LINE TO SERVICE THE NORTHERN LIGHTS YMCA**

The County having previously entered into written agreements with the Northern Lights YMCA ("YMCA") to Lease with an Option to Purchase certain portions of the former Crystal Lake Community Center and an option to lease an adjacent parking lot, which sale and lease exclude the County owned premises where the Dickinson County Senior Center is located;

The YMCA having performed the obligations imposed on it in the aforementioned Agreements and having made clear its intention to pay the option price at a closing to be scheduled on about November 1, 2018:

NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved as follows:

1. The County will accept the tendered option payments and shall proceed with the sale transaction and related Lease.
2. That the Board Chairman, Henry Wender, and the County Clerk, Dolly Cook, are authorized to execute the deeds, lease agreements, and any related documents, and take such actions as are reasonably necessary to effectuate the sale and lease.
3. Copies of such deeds, lease agreements, and related documents are on file with the Dickinson County Clerk.
4. During a highly successful capital campaign conducted by the YMCA, the capital improvements planned were modified to include a six-inch water line running across County property, to be installed, operated and maintained at the YMCA's sole expense. As additional consideration for the undertakings of the YMCA, the County agrees to issue a water-line easement over County property to facilitate the YMCA's construction, operation, and maintenance of that six-inch water main. That easement for water line purposes shall be thirty (30) feet in width, 15 feet on each side of the line shown on the attached survey and engineering document. In addition to paying for the expenses of such construction, the YMCA, after construction of such line, shall fully restore the surface of the easement parcel to the condition it was in prior to installation of the water line, or better. The YMCA also agrees that to the fullest extent allowed by law, it will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County from any claims for personal injury, including death, or property damages arising out of the construction or operation of the water line.
5. A copy of the water-line easement has been filed with the County Clerk.
6. That the Board Chairman, Henry Wender, and the County Clerk, Dolly Cook, are authorized to execute the water-line easement, any related documents, and take any other acts reasonably necessary to effectuate the YMCA's construction of the aforementioned six-inch water line.

The following aye votes were recorded: _____

The following nay votes were recorded: _____

I, Dolly Cook, Clerk of Dickinson County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Resolution relative to the Agreement with the Northern Lights YMCA, Inc., which Resolution was adopted by the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held October 8, 2018.

Board Chairman – Henry Wender

County Clerk – Dolly Cook

Date: _____

Jonathon Ringel, Director of the YMCA explained the resolution and the water line construction. Commissioner Martin explained this is a historical day! Commissioner Stevens stated this is a wonderful story for the Community.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Martin

1. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the monthly bills for August in the amount of \$4,446,649.40. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Degenauer Jr., Aye
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye

Wender Aye Motion Carried.

Commissioner Martin explained the next Finance Meeting is set for Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 6:00P.M.

- B. **A-95 Review** – Commissioner Kramer-None
 - C. **Upward Talent Council** – Commissioner Stevens-None
 - D. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Commissioner Kramer
 - 1. Planning Commission meeting minutes of August 23rd.
 - E. **DHHS / DICS A** – Commissioner Kramer
 - 1. DHHS agenda of October 22nd.
 - 2. DHHS meeting minutes of August 27th.
 - F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None
 - G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin
 - 1. Northpointe meeting minutes of September 13th.
 - H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
 - I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
 - J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenaer
 - 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer Jr. seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the temporary construction and permanent waterline easement agreement between Dickinson County and Northern Lights YMCA, Inc. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 - K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender-None
 - 1. Sheriff Rutter’s monthly report for September 2018.
 - L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
 - M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None
 - N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
 - O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin-None
 - P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenaer-None
 - Q. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
 - R. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender
 - 1. DCRC meeting minutes of September 11th.
 - S. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
 - T. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenaer-None
 - U. **Veterans’ Affairs Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
8. Citizens’ Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens’ Time
Pam Maule addressed the Board and she questioned the time of hospital meetings. She also asked the Board to get some microphones in the courtroom because people cannot hear.
Dale Alessandrini talked about replacing the hospital board and John Schon. He stated if you do not change the Board it will remain the same. He pushed moving the meeting times. He stated he will sue the Hospital if they go into closed session.
Pam Maule stated the administration is back in the 1980’s when it comes to nursing. She stated instead of paying the consultant and Schon they should have bought new billing software. She agrees with Dale.
Mike Bronzyk addressed the Board. He stated the County Board should do the changing. He stated the County Board should not sit back.
Heidi Harwell, Felch, addressed the Board. She stated she has been a nurse for 34 years. She

explained what she did. She asked the Board to ask questions about Blue Cross Blue Shield payments. She stated we are losing inertia. She stated someone should have known this was coming! She thanked the Board.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Martin-None
10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Martin-None
11. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Commissioner Martin to accept the Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
12. Controller's Report.
Controller Bousley stated there will be a budget meeting Monday, October 15 at 2:00P.M. for Department Heads to ask for Capital Outlay. He stated they are looking for an Animal Control Truck. He explained the grants they are applying for. He stated our attorneys can advise us on the hospital bankruptcy. He stated the Airport Hangar must be changed due to the size of the airplane and the cost will be \$35,000 more. He stated the MJ Hangar cement is being poured.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., asked if the restructuring team will meet with the County Board about the hospital? He asked if the Hospital Board and CEO will remain?
Commissioner Wender asked if the Board wants to meet with Stupak and the consensus was that they do.
Commissioner Kramer stated at least 2 have applied for the Hospital Board and that she would like to meet with them face to face. She stated the billing department is deplorable and they wrote off a lot of bills. She stated she will investigate Blue Cross Blue Shield.
Commissioner Stevens stated they should change the time of their meetings. He asked what were they getting from Joe Lupica for \$20,000 a month? He stated there will be no pathologists left after February. He stated we have to be positive and we have to use the hospital to keep it open.
Commissioner Martin stated we should not take no for an answer to meet with Veneble. She thanked the citizens for their input. She stated there is no extra money. She stated giving the parks to the townships was a good idea. She stated Pinecrest wanted a millage and then a private buyer stated they were interested in buying. She stated a meeting at noon is a no brainer.
Commissioner Wender asked about the PA system that we spent \$5,000 for?
14. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to adjourn, Subject to the Call of Chairman at 6:53 PM.

Henry Wender, Chairman

Dolly L. Cook, County Clerk