

**DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, May 10, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom**

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairperson 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 Carol Bronzyk and a quorum was present.  
Present: Chairperson Henry Wender, Vice Chair Barb Kramer and Commissioners Joe Stevens, John Degenauer and Ann Martin. (5)  
Absent: None  
Also, Present: Controller Brian Bousley, County Clerk Carol Bronzyk.
4. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to accept the agenda with the following additions:
  7. A. 1. Approve/Deny- The check register from April 26, 2021 to May 06, 2021 in the amount of \$668,053.73. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the following meeting minutes:

Regular – April 26<sup>th</sup> All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Stevens stated the minutes from 4-12-2021 were still incorrect, he and Lois from the ECON Alliance attend the Rise Up tour not his wife Jan.  
At last week's meeting Chairperson Wender voted nay on Resolution 2021-10.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
  - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)  
Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time, and Susie Fox from Kiwanis addressed the Board. She stated she apologizes for not attending the last Board meeting and wanted to thank the Board for supporting them.  
Chairperson Wender had some questions for her, do they have enough funds to make the payments? She stated they have already been making payments. Do you have the funds to build the elevator? She stated they are looking at options now.
  - B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Kramer
    1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Martin to approve Resolution 2021-12 supporting Bike Month. All Ayes, Motion Carried.  
**Dickinson County Bike Month Resolution / Proclamation 2021-12**  
  
May is National Bicycle Month and Michigan Bicycle Month each year. Bike to Work Day is usually the third Friday in May which is May 21st, and this year Bike to Work Week is May 17 to May 23, 2021. Bike to School day is Friday, May 5, 2021  
  
**Whereas**, the bicycle is a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of recreation; and  
**Whereas**, millions of Michiganders will experience the joys of bicycling during the month of May through educational programs, races, commuting events, trail work days, helmet promotion, charity events, or just getting out and going for a ride; and  
**Whereas**, Michigan's road and trail system attracts hundreds of thousands of bicyclists each year from all 50 states and from across the globe, providing economic, health, and scenic benefits to citizens of Michigan and the world; and  
**Whereas**, these bicycling activities and attractions have great potential to have a positive impact on Michigan's economy and tourism industry and to stimulate economic development by making the state attractive to businesses and citizens who enjoy the out of doors and healthy lifestyles; and  
**Whereas**, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, to boost community spirit, to improve traffic safety, and to reduce pollution and congestion; and  
**Whereas**, May has been declared National Bike Month for each of the over 60 years, and is so again in 2021; and  
Whereas, the League of American Bicyclists, the League of Michigan Bicyclists, bicycle clubs, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals,

companies and civic groups throughout Michigan will be promoting bicycling as a leisure activity as well as an environmentally-friendly alternative to the automobile during the month of May 2021; and

**Whereas**, the education of bicyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users; and Whereas, the League of Michigan Bicyclists, the Dickinson Trail Network, aka Dickinson County Bike Path, and other organizations across the state will promote bicycle safety during the month of May 2021:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners of MI concurring therein, hereby recognize the month of May 2021 as National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month, the week of May 17th to May 23rd as Bike to Work Week; Bike to School Day is Friday May 5, 2021; and Bike to Work Day on May 21st and

**Be it further resolved** that the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners urges all who support bicycling to participate in the events planned and urges all road users to share the road safely with bicyclists.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners concurring therein, hereby recognize the month of May 2018 as National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month, and the week of May 13-19, 2019, as Bike to Work Week; and Bike to Work Day on Friday, May 17 and

**Be it further resolved** that the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners urges all who support bicycling to participate in the events planned and urges all road users to share the road safely with bicyclists.

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Henry Wender – Dickinson County Chair      Date

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Carol Bronzyk – Dickinson County Clerk      Date

- C. DCHS Update: Chuck Nelson, DCHS CEO and Margaret Minerick, DCHS Board still have not received funds from loan, they will address the Board when they do.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Kramer

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer to approve the check register from April 26, 2021 to May 06, 2021 in the amount of \$668,053.73.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer      Aye

Martin      Aye

Stevens      Aye

Wender      Aye

Degenaer      Aye              Motion Carried.

B. **A-95 Review** – Commissioner Kramer-None

C. **Six County Employment Alliance** – Commissioner Stevens-None

D. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Commissioner Kramer-None

E. **DHHS / DICSA** – Commissioner Kramer-None

F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None

G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin

1. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the second quarter payment request from Northpointe in the amount of \$24,907.50.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin      Aye

Stevens      Aye

Wender      Aye

Degenaer      Aye

Kramer      Aye              Motion Carried.

H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenaer

Commissioner Degenaer stated they have made an offer for the Administrator position and are waiting for a reply.

- I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender
  - 1. Sheriff's office monthly report for April.
- L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request from the Lake Antoine Park Partners to host, "Lights at the Lake" at the Lake Antoine Park from December 3<sup>rd</sup> – December 19<sup>th</sup>. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request from EAA Chapter 439, Inc. to host Ford Airport Days 2021 on September 17<sup>th</sup> and September 18<sup>th</sup> at the County Hangar located at the Ford Airport. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer
 

Commissioner Degenauer stated they have 5 candidates for the caretaker position and 2 for the secretary position. They will be interviewing on Monday. They have been talking to Skerbeck and they have already done some events, so it is looking good for our Fair.
- O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin
 

Commissioner Martin stated they are having a special meeting tomorrow to discuss opening.
- P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenauer
  - 1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve Judge Slagle to post and fill upcoming vacancy in the Probate Court Office. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- Q. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- R. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender-None
- S. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- T. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None
- U. **Veterans' Affairs Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
 

Commissioner Stevens they have 2 new Veterans for their Board.
- 8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Kramer -None
- 9. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Kramer -None
- 10. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to accept the Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- 11. **Controller's Report**

Controller Bousley stated the Airport Hangars is out there, we are getting replies, we will review the week of June 7<sup>th</sup> and the Board can vote at the June 14 meeting.

The auditors were here and it went very well.

At the Covid meeting it was decided to discuss winding down the State of Emergency and their next meeting.

The Parks office manager position has been posted. The new Park truck has been picked up.

A discussion was held with Nate from Northward Bound about Kayak rentals in the park.

We are having issues with the old water lines at the park. They are leaking pretty bad so it looks like we will not be open for camping until this is taken care of.

Commissioner Degenauer stated there are 166 sites at the fairgrounds if needed.
- 12. **Citizen's Time (Limited to five minutes per person)**

Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time and there was no participation.
- 13. **Commissioners' Personal Privilege.**

Commissioner Stevens stated we need to contact everyone we can so Line 5 does not get shut down. We need to see what the future for our Board is concerning the Hospital Board once the USDA loan is dispersed. And a Happy belated Mother's Day to everyone!  
Commissioner Kramer stated we need to support the Election reform bills being addressed now, the MACC is very much in support of this.

14. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Kramer to adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman at 6:30 PM.

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Henry Wender, Chairperson

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Carol Bronzy, County Clerk