

April 13, 2016

The Roscommon County Board of Commissioner's met on Wednesday April 13, 2016 for a Regular Meeting. Chairman Robert E. Schneider called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America was recited.

Present: Russo, Melvin, Schneider, Milburn, Stefanko

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo, to approve the Board Agenda. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Schneider, Stefanko, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Melvin, Seconded by Schneider, to approve Regular Meeting Minutes for March 9th and March 23rd, 2016. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Schneider, Stefanko, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Public Hearing: Moved by Stefanko, Second by Milburn, to open public hearing at 10:16 a.m. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion Carried. Mike Beaty and Bill Arnett gave an overview of the recently updated Hazardous Mitigation Plan. This plan is available to view at all of the public libraries. Approval of the plan allows the County to apply for pre-disaster as well as post disaster funds. Some of the medium to high priority items are: Nixle /Code Red System, warning sirens, disaster planning, completed community wildfire protection plan, generators, safe rooms, purchase electronic warning signs, dam repairs, community education, plant living snow fences, evacuation plans. The public hearing today is the beginning of the approval process. Public Comment: Bill Curnalia suggested an update of the Village Hall location. Moved by Stefanko, Seconded by Russo, to close public hearing at 10:30 a.m. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Jean Lawrence spoke regarding Commissioner Melvin's efforts to protect Higgins Lake. Vance Stringham, E-911 Director, National Public Safety Telecommunications Week; Valerie Smith was named this year's Northeast Regional winner in the Smart Telecommunicator Awards. Denise Stefanko, owner of Morning Glory, introduced herself.

Moved by Melvin, Seconded by Russo, to approve Class A Bills in the amount of \$824,000.04. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Schneider, Stefanko, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Russo, Seconded by Stefanko, to approve Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$200,089.97. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Schneider, Stefanko, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Administrator/Controller's Report: The Administrator/ Controller, Jodi Valentino, mentioned the 2015 Audit is scheduled for the first two weeks of May. Currently the office is in the 2nd week of training with BSA software. No General Ledger, payroll, cash receipting can be done on April 14 & 15. She has received some compliments regarding the housing office. She has been working with Dawn LaCasse to improve payment plans and procedures for the child care fund. Jodi has also been working on a quarterly analysis for 2016.

Correspondence:

- A. MSU Extension re: Summer Fun
- B. Economic Development re: Board Appointments
- C. Higgins Lake Foundation re: request for support

Monthly Department Reports: Central Dispatch, Economic Development, Gypsy Moth

Visitors: None

Unfinished Business/New Business: None

Motions and Resolutions:

1. Moved by Russo, Seconded by Milburn, to authorize payment of \$50,000.00 to Munson Hospital for the purpose of settlement regarding Case No. 13-721440-CK Munson Medical v Roscommon County. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Stefanko, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2. Moved by Melvin, Seconded by Stefanko, to adopt the “Resolution of Support for Charitable Gaming License” for the Higgins Lake Foundation.

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE

WHEREAS the Higgins Lake Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit Michigan Corporation, is a provider for funding of environmental and/or educational projects that support its mission to protect the ecology of Higgins Lake and the surrounding watershed located within Roscommon County; and

WHEREAS the Higgins Lake Foundation will be hosting its 27th Annual “Higgins Lake Awareness Day” picnic and raffle, of which raffle proceeds go toward educational materials, boat wash maintenance and promotion, Lake Saver Day, educational materials, operation of the DASH boat and other relevant Higgins Lake healthy lake initiatives; and

WHEREAS pursuant to Act 382 of the Public Acts of 1972, local civic organizations who intend to utilize local gaming events for fundraising must apply for an applicable Raffle License from the Bureau of State Lottery; and

WHEREAS the Higgins Lake Foundation is a nonprofit organization that supports proactive lake improvement and educational practices in regards to Higgins Lake; and

WHEREAS Roscommon County has a long history of supporting civic organizations within all areas of the County whose goals are to improve the health and welfare of our natural resources, including the Higgins Lake Foundation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Roscommon County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the Higgins Lake Foundation’s request to be recognized as a nonprofit organization operating in the County of Roscommon for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Stefanko, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

3. Moved by Russo, Seconded by Melvin, to authorize Chairman Robert E. Schneider, on behalf of the Roscommon County Board of Commissioners, to sign a letter of support for continuation of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority Single Family Rehabilitation Programs for Existing Homeowners. These programs, which support current homeowners in their efforts to maintain their homes, fill an ongoing need of financial assistance for both County and State residents. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Milburn, Stefanko, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

Russo: Airport, Claims & Accounts, HLIB, Second Chance Academy

Melvin: Veterans Affairs Committee, Agenda, Kirtland Warbler Festival Meeting

Stefanko: Recycling, Collaborative Board, DHHS, Comm. Mental Health, Shelley Hubbard-Liquor Tax Money, EDC, HLIB, Claims & Accounts

Milburn: Airport, District Health, EDC, Second Chance Academy

Schneider: Airport, District Health, Second Chance Academy, Agenda

Public Comment: Tim O’Rourke, RCRC Manager, informed the Board that the Road Commission has money. Through the federal and state monies coming in the Road Commission will be working on road improvements. He will be presenting to the townships at RTA on April 21st. He went over some of the ups and downs of the legislation that was approved. The Road Commission won an award for a living snow fence. Tim is working with the airport for the permit to allow for an additional entrance to the hangars.

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo to adjourn meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Robert E. Schneider, Chairman

Michelle M. Stevenson, County Clerk/Reg. Of Deeds