

## February 12, 2020

The Roscommon County Board of Commissioner's met on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 for a Regular Meeting. The meeting was held at the Roscommon County Building, 500 Lake Street, Roscommon, MI 48653. Chairman Robert E. Schneider called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

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

**Present:** Schneider, Russo, Melvin, Muckenthaler

**Excused:** Milburn

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

Moved by Muckenthaler, Seconded by Schneider, to approve Board of Commissioner's Organizational Meeting Minutes January 8, 2020 and Regular Meeting Minutes for January 8, 2020 & January 22, 2020. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Schneider, Muckenthaler. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Public Comment:** E911 Director addressed the 911 outage that occurred January 31, 2020 and the PSAP connection issue that occurred February 6, 2020. Kathy Pardo-Carlson, Higgins Township resident, spoke regarding Commission on Aging Concerns.

Moved by Melvin, Seconded by Russo, to approve Class A bills in the amount of \$1,483,566.34. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Muckenthaler, Schneider. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Russo, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to approve Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$343,090.52. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Muckenthaler, Schneider. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Administrator/Controller's Report:** Controller Valentino updated the Board on the various lawsuits involving the County. Valentino attended the NMCA meeting. There will be a Veterans Suicide Prevention Walk coming up in May. Valentino has reviewed the Sawmill agreement for services. The federal and state hybrid sobriety court grants have been approved. Controller Valentino recommended to the Board to consider the possibility of hiring a FOIA coordinator. The amount of FOIA requests, and the work needed to properly address the requests may require additional assistance. A meeting was held with Advantage Benefit. Maintenance Director Steve Nielsen will be retiring in May. Nielsen and Valentino worked together on the generator project.

### **Correspondence:**

- A. Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners
- B. Menominee County Board of Commissioners
- C. Mackinac County Board of Commissioners
- D. Northeast Michigan Regional Council on Aging
- E. Village of Roscommon
- F. Consumers Energy
- G. Michigan State University Extension – Master Gardener

### **Monthly Department Reports:** Jail

**Visitors:** None

**Unfinished Business/New Business:** a. Freedom of Information Act Appeal Request –

Motion by Russo, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to deny the FOIA Appeal from Evan Baker dated February 3, 2020.

On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Muckenthaler, Schneider. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

## **Motions and Resolutions:**

1. Motion by Melvin, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to award Blanchard Electric Inc. as the successful bid for the County Generator Project in the amount of \$168,100.00.

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Muckenthaler, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Russo, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to appoint the following employees to serve on the Roscommon County Wage and Salary Committee for fiscal year 2020:

Undersheriff Benjamin Lowe  
Noelle Martin  
Marcie Dankert  
Amy Foster  
Heath Nemeth  
Nadine Lockwood  
Theresa Downey

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Muckenthaler, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Melvin, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to appoint the following nine (9) individuals to the Roscommon County Recycling Committee effective February 1, 2020 for initial staggered terms as outlined below:

Bill Tudor One (1) year term ending January 31, 2021  
Conrad Seidel Two (2) year term ending January 31, 2022  
Craig Cotterman Three (3) year term ending January 31, 2023  
Fred Chidester Four (4) year term ending January 31, 2024  
Jack McCauley One (1) year term ending January 31, 2021  
Mary Link Two (2) year term ending January 31, 2022  
Rick Fancon Three (3) year term ending January 31, 2023  
Scott Eckstorm Four (4) year term ending January 31, 2024  
Tim Muckenthaler One (1) year term ending January 31, 2021

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Muckenthaler, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

4. Motion by Melvin, Seconded by Russo, to authorize Commissioner Robert E. Schneider, on behalf of the Roscommon County Board of Commissioners, to send a Letter of Support to the Northeast Michigan Trades Education Coalition expressing support for their goal of establishing a trades and hands on job training center at the Kirtland Community College-Roscommon campus. (see attached)

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Muckenthaler, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

## **Committee Reports:**

Russo: HLIB, court hearing, Claims & Accounts, Houghton Lake is 12" over winter level.

Melvin: COA, MIWORKS!, Veterans Affairs, Agenda, court hearing

Muckenthaler: Court hearing, Gypsy Moth, Claims & Accounts

Milburn: Excused

Schneider: Agenda, Gypsy Moth, court hearing

**Public Comment:** Daniel Linck-Schrage spoke regarding the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment. Emil Bellenbaum spoke regarding COA concerns. Clerk/ROD Stevenson informed the Board there will be a May election for the Village of Roscommon.

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 a.m.