

Iosco County Board of Commissioners

COURT HOUSE
Tawas City, Michigan 48763

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

January 19, 2022

BOARD-IN PERSON WITH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AVAILABLE THROUGH ZOOM

Commissioners Present in person: Huebel, Dutcher, Finley, Miner, and O'Farrell.

Commissioners Present via Zoom: None.

Absent: None.

Vacant: None.

Also Present: Nancy J. Huebel, County Clerk/Co-County Administrator; Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Financial Director; Mike Eller, Director of Emergency Services/911 Director; Raymond Bruning, EMS Operations Manager; Jim Sheean, USG representative; Joseph Faust, USG Technical Manager; Matthew Craig, USG Plant Manager; Barb Finley

Meeting called to order after a five-minute recess following the full Board meeting.

New Business:

Matthew Craig, USG Plant Manager – Project Update

Three years ago, USG purchased land to develop a quarry, which is to be named Avery Quarry. USG is waiting on approval of a wetland permit. This process will take about four months to complete. Once complete, construction of the new quarry will start. USG hopes to start construction in the middle of 2022 and to be fully functioning by the second quarter of 2023.

Nancy Huebel, County Clerk – Appoint Tim Knapp to the Tax Allocation Committee

This is an annual appointment that the Board has to approve. Dutcher motions to take the appointment of Tim Knapp to the Tax Allocation Committee to the Full Board and Finley seconds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director – Netsource One Premium Managed Services

Netsource One would provide 24/7 monitoring and alerting for Iosco County Building. Netsource One will be a back up support network for Juli Montgomery, IT Director. Currently, Iosco County EMS and 911 Buildings are being provided this service. There will be a one-time installation fee and then a monthly

subscription, which will be charged to American Rescue Plan Funds until 2024. Finley motions to take the quote for Netsource One Premium Managed Services to the Full Board and Huebel seconds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director – Purchase Three Computers to Replace Computers Operating on Windows 7

Windows 7 is not operational and cannot be updated. The computers that will be purchased will be Windows 10, which is supported by Netsource One. When Netsource One feels that Windows 11 is running with no issues, Netsource One will update all computers operating on Windows 10. Finley moves to take the purchase of three Computers operating on Windows 10 to the Full Board and Dutcher supports. All ayes. Motion carried.

Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director – Increase Mileage Reimbursement Rate

Currently, Iosco County is reimbursing \$0.28 per mile and the IRS rate is \$0.585 per mile. Certain departments in the county are at the IRS reimbursement rate if it was required for their job to travel. Finley motions to take increasing the mileage reimbursement rate for all of Iosco County departments to the Full Board and Dutcher supports. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mike Eller, Director of Emergency Services/911 Director – Purchase a Generator for Station 3

Eller received three quotes Dittenbir Services being the most acceptable for the purpose of Station 3. EMS will purchase the generator for \$9,486.00, which will be reimbursed in two or three months from the Homeland Security Grant Fund. As of right now, Station 3 does not have a generator. Finley motions that the purchase of a generator for Station 3 be taken to the Full Board for approval and Dutcher supports. All ayes. Motion carried.

Nancy Hubel, County Clerk – Appoint Mike Welsch and Mike Russo to the Housing Commission

The Housing Commission is a five-member board and at this time Iosco County Housing Commission has two voting members and Commissioner Finley. Welsch is a former County Clerk and is a member of a board affiliated with AuSable Valley. Russo is an engineer with Mike Russo Engineering and sits on Tawas City Council and the Board of Appeals. The attorney for Iosco County states that there are no conflicts to have Russo become a member of the Housing Commission. Finley moves to take the appointments of Welsch and Russo to the Housing Commission to the Full Board and Miner supports. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

**Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director – OSHA
Vaccination Requirements**

The Supreme Court ruled against the mandate regarding vaccination requirements.

**Administrator's Report: Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski- County Controller/Finance
Director**

Register of Deeds/Equalization – Carruthers-Soboleski talked with several Assessors and the Abstract Company regarding what issues they were seeing in the Equalization Department. The majority agree that Preston is good at its assessing duties. However, they give the Assessors information at the last minute or late. The legal descriptions that Preston works on are holding up title companies. More time is needed to come up with a solution.

Any Other Matters:

Finley – It is a traumatic time for public safety officers that work on traffic control. The public needs to be aware of their surroundings and slow down.

Public Comments:

None.

Claims and Accounts: Bills reviewed and approved by Huebel, Dutcher, and Finley.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully: Kathleen M. Murphy, Board of Commissioners Secretary

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR February 2, 2022