The Full Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Susie Hughes. The Invocation was given by Pastor Nate Parsekian, Shores Community Church, 3800 Lake Harbor Road, Norton Shores. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Administrator Mark E. Eisenbarth and recited in unison.

Roll Call
Present: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Susie Hughes, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider II, Rillastine R. Wilkins

Also Present: Mark E. Eisenbarth, Administrator
Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk
Jeanne Pezet, Deputy County Clerk
Doug Hughes, Corporate Counsel

2019-161 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to approve the agenda.

Voice vote Motion Carried

2019-162 APPROVE THE BOARD MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2019 AND REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 16, 2019

Moved by Vice Chair Foster, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting Minutes of March 28, 2019 and the Regular Meeting of April 16, 2019.

Voice vote Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT (on an agenda item)

Benjamin Spencer, Anna Derwin, Sandy Glore, Katherine Kroll, Charlene Hilt addressed the Board requesting the Board to remain transparent and not go into closed session. Ryan Bennett, Local 174 Plumbers and Pipefitters, invited Board Members to an apprenticeship program event Thursday and Friday of this week for the State-wide Apprenticeship Contest of
Plumbers, Pipefitters, Welders, HVAC Service Techs, and Sprinkler fitters from around the State will be competing at the facility in Coopersville and asked Commissioners to RSVP if they would like a tour of the training facility. Mr. Bennett also shared a handout about the training.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following Communication items were provided to the Board for informational purposes (see attached):

A. Antrim County Board of Commissioners: Resolution #17-2019 – Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003 – Support the Process of Legislators to Commence Revising Bill

B. Bay County Board of Commissioners: Resolution #2019-88 – Opposition to Slashing Federal Funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

C. Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners: Resolution #19-06 – Support of HB 4227 The Creation of a “Committee on Michigan’s Mining Future”

**2019-163 ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE THE PRESENTED COMMUNICATION ITEMS**

Moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to accept and place on file the presented communication items.

Voice vote **Motion Carried**

Commissioner Hovey-Wright asked that Muskegon County Board of Commissioners forward support to Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) and Antrim County and Bay County for their resolutions.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Vice Chair Foster presented a Tribute in Recognition of Steve Jackson’s generous donation of a flag pole at Veterans Memorial Park and presented to Steve Jackson and Gary Merkey, a Tribute in Recognition of Jackson-Merkey’s generous donation of equipment and labor at Veterans Memorial Park.

**HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE:** Kristen Wade, HR Director, presented a PowerPoint that updated services given to County employees. (See attached)
COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

2019-164 APPROVE THE AMENDED BYLAWS OF THE LAKESHORE MUSEUM CENTER BOARD AS PRESENTED

CD/SP19/04-07
The Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to approve the amended bylaws of the Lakeshore Museum Center Board as presented.

Roll Call:

Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No: None

Motion Carried

2019-165 ADOPT THE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH B. BASKIN ENTERPRISES, LLC, TO PROVIDE A LICENSE FOR THE USE OF HERITAGE LANDING JULY 3-7, 2019 FOR THE ROCKSTOCK MUSIC FESTIVAL, AN INDEPENDENCE DAY FIREWORKS DISPLAY, AND A CARNIVAL, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNTY BOARD TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

CD/SP19/04-08
The Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to adopt the License Agreement with B. Baskin Enterprises, LLC, to provide a license for the use of Heritage Landing July 3-7, 2019 for the Rockstock music festival, an Independence Day fireworks display, and a carnival, and authorize the Chairperson of the County Board to execute the agreement.

Roll Call:

Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No: None

Abstain: I. John Snider, II

Motion Carried
2019-166 PROVIDE A LICENSE FOR THE USE OF HERITAGE LANDING JULY 11-13, 2019 FOR THEIR “150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION” MUSIC FESTIVAL, AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNTY BOARD TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

CD/SP19/04-09
The Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to adopt the License Agreement with the City of Muskegon, to provide a license for the use of Heritage Landing July 11-13, 2019 for their “150th Anniversary Celebration” music festival, and authorize the Chairperson of the County Board to execute the agreement.

Roll Call:
Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes
No: None
Motion Carried

2019-167 AUTHORIZE THE MUSKEGON AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM TO PUBLISH THE PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE FY2019 FEDERAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION AND TO AUTHORIZING STAFF TO EXECUTE THE ELECTRONIC GRANT APPLICATION IF THERE IS NO REQUEST FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

TR19/04-15
The Transportation Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to authorize the Muskegon Area Transit System to publish the public notice regarding the FY2019 Federal Operating and Capital assistance application and to authorize staff to execute the electronic grant application if there is no request for a public hearing.

Roll Call:
Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes
No: None
Motion Carried


WM19/04-42
The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to approve payment of the accounts payable of $7,875,815.74, covering the period of April 2, 2019 through April 11, 2019 for checks as presented by the County Clerk.

Roll Call:
Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes
No: None
Motion Carried
2019-169  **APPROVE THE SELECTION OF GOVERNMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES TO PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE CONSULTING SERVICES, PER COUNTY RFP 19-2343 FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM WITH OPTION TO RENEW IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $48,000 PER YEAR**

WM19/04-43
The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to approve the selection of Governmental Consulting Services to provide legislative consulting services, per County RFP 19-2343 for a three-year term with option to renew in amount not to exceed $48,000 per year.

Roll Call:

Yes:  Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No:  None

Motion Carried

2019-170  **APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2019 EQUALIZED VALUATION FOR MUSKEGON COUNTY AS DETERMINED AND SUBMITTED BY THE MUSKEGON COUNTY EQUALIZATION DEPARTMENT**

WM19/04-44
The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to approve the resolution adopting the 2019 equalized valuation for Muskegon County as determined and submitted by the Muskegon County Equalization Department.

Roll Call:

Yes:  Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No:  None

Motion Carried

2019-171  **APPROVE THE CHANGES TO THE PERSONNEL RULES, AS A RESULT OF THE PAID MEDICAL LEAVE ACT, EFFECTIVE MARCH 29, 2019**

WM19/04-45
The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to approve the changes to the Personnel Rules, as a result of the Paid Medical Leave Act, effective March 29, 2019.

Roll Call:

Yes:  Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No:  None

Motion Carried
2019-172  **AWARD A THREE (3) YEAR INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICES CONTRACT, WITH THE OPTION OF TWO (2), ONE (1) YEAR EXTENSIONS, TO ARTHUR J GALLAGHER AND THEY BE COMPENSATED SOLELY BY BENEFIT VENDOR’S STANDARD COMMISSIONS, EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2019**

WM19/04-46  The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to award a three (3) year Insurance Brokerage Services contract, with the option of two (2), one (1) year extensions, to Arthur J Gallagher and they be compensated solely by benefit vendor’s standard commissions, effective May 1, 2019.

Roll Call:

Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No: None  Motion Carried

2019-173  **APPROVE THE RECLASSIFICATION OF THE RECRUITMENT COORDINATOR POSITION, N61801, TO A HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST AND PROVIDE A SALARY RANGE ADJUSTMENT TO THE NEW HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST POSITION AND THE TWO (2) EXISTING HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST POSITIONS, N39702 AND N39704, FROM PAY TABLE/GRADE NO-00210 ($17.89/HR - $22.531) TO A NO-00218 ($18.733/HR - $23.582), EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2019**

WM19/04-47  The Ways and Means Committee recommends, moved by Commissioner Scolnik, seconded by Vice Chair Foster, to approve the reclassification of the Recruitment Coordinator position, N61801, to a Human Resources Specialist and provide a salary range adjustment to the new Human Resources Specialist position and the two (2) existing Human Resources Specialist positions, N39702 and N39704, from pay table/grade NO-00210 ($17.89/hr - $22.531) to a NO-00218 ($18.733/hr - $23.582), effective May 1, 2019.

Roll Call:

Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No: None  Motion Carried

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT/COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS**

2019-174  **APPROVE A PROCLAMATION FOR READ EARLY. READ OFTEN. WEEK, MAY 18th – MAY 25th, 2019**

The Chairman recommends, moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to approve a proclamation for Read early. Read often. Week, May 18th – May 25th, 2019

Voice vote  Motion Carried
Chairman Susie Hughes announced that the Muskegon Farmers Market opens for the season on Thursday, May 2nd, and the Historic Hackley & Hume Sites also open Thursday, May 2nd.

Chairman Hughes noted the Hero Mud Run is scheduled for Saturday, May 4th beginning at 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Muskegon County Fairgrounds.

Commissioner Mahoney reported that the accommodations tax revenue increased from last year in spite of several hotel rooms being closed for construction. Commissioner Mahoney also announced that, in 2020, we are expecting 31 visits to the port from 3 different cruise lines.

Commissioner Mahoney also noted, for ASCET, that it was an honor and privilege to vote to help Ryan Bennett become a member of the West Michigan Works Governing Board.

Commissioner Lahring provided a Road Commission Update working on several County roads.

Commissioner Snider reported that this April’s Recycling event exceeded participation in any past year and complimented the staff.

Chairman Hughes thanked Matt Farrar and staff for a great event.

2019-175  
APPROVE A PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER ON MAY 2, 2019

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to approve a Proclamation in support of the National Day of Prayer on May 2, 2019.

Voice vote  
Motion Carried

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Eisenbarth reported that the Convention Center design is going well and things are going well with hotel improvements.

Commissioner Lahring asked about additional costs due to soil issues.

Administrator Eisenbarth noted they are waiting on test results.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Several citizens addressed the Board in opposition to extending the Planned Parenthood lease with the County and also spoke against prevailing wage.

Donna Pennington addressed the Board about the above issues and the Kids Count Report.
Matt Farrar, Public Works Director, reported that more than 900 visitors participated in the recycle event where the County filled three semi's with tires. Commissioner Snider asked Mr. Farrar for a list of Volunteers from the Recycle Event and Commission Snider read a portion of the County staff members that volunteered into the record: Brenda Newman, Pam Roesch, Greg Leverence, Gensen Schwartz, Steve Barnard, Joe Tardani, Dave (DJ) Johnson, Steve Fink, and Rob Ribbons and others from the Sheriff’s office who volunteered for in excess of four hours.

2019-176  **GO INTO CLOSED SESSION: PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(H) AND 15.243(G) TO DISCUSS ITS ATTORNEY’S APRIL 2019 WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION**

Moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Snider, to go into Closed Session Re: Attorney’s April 2019 Written Legal Opinion.

Commissioner Lahring asked for an explanation of why the County Board would go into closed session. Corporate Counsel explained that closed session is a process for public meetings provided by the Open Meetings Act to provide the Board members information on legal opinions and further noted that no action is taken in a closed session meeting.

Roll Call:

Yes: Gary Foster, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Zach Lahring, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins, Susie Hughes

No: None  

Motion Carried

Went into closed session at 4:24 p.m.

Returned to open session at 5:00 p.m.

2019-177  **REPEAL PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENT WITH RESPECT TO THE CONVENTION CENTER AND THE COUNTY’S PARTICIPATION**

Moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Lahring, to repeal prevailing wage requirement with respect to the Convention Center and the County’s participation.

Discussion ensued.

Moved by Commissioner Lahring to remove prevailing wage from the Convention Center and every contract moving forward from our purchasing procurement process

Commission Snider did not accept the friendly amendment.

Discussion continued.
2019-178  **POSTPONE THE VOTE FOR INFORMATION FROM BOTH SIDES AND HAVE TIME TO EVALUATE THE RAMIFICATIONS**

Moved by Commissioner Hovey-Wright, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to postpone the vote for information from both sides and have time to evaluate the ramifications.

Roll Call:

Yes: Marcia Hovey-Wright, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash

No: Gary Foster, Zach Lahring, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins

Abstain: Susie Hughes  **Motion Failed**

**Roll call on 2019-177:** To repeal prevailing wage requirement with respect to the Convention Center and the County’s participation

Yes: Gary Foster, Zach Lahring, Bob Scolnik, I. John Snider, II, Rillastine Wilkins

No: Marcia Hovey-Wright, Kenneth Mahoney, Charles Nash

Abstain: Susie Hughes  **Motion Carried**

2019-179  **MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MAHONEY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SNIDER, TO ADJOURN.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

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Nancy A. Waters, County Clerk

NAW/jmp

To Be Approved at Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2019
April 10, 2019

At the April 4, 2019 meeting of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, the following Resolution was offered.

RESOLUTION #17-2019 By Christian Marcus, seconded by David Heeres

Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003
Support the Process of Legislators to Commence Revising Bill

WHEREAS, health care costs continue to rise for all Americans and, for some Americans this increase can be devastating; and

WHEREAS, Medicare is the focus of many lawmakers who portray it as an “entitlement” program that costs the Treasury too much money. Technically, the term “entitlement” is correct but it has an unfortunate connotation; and

WHEREAS, Medicare is an essential medical plan that millions of seniors and disabled individuals depend upon to stay alive. Medicare is not a gift, as the term “entitlement” suggests. Many of the beneficiaries have worked their entire adult life and paid into the system in order to receive this crucial medical plan; and

WHEREAS, due to spiraling costs largely associated with the price of prescription medications, our elected officials find themselves passing on increased costs to those who can least afford that increase, namely senior citizens and disabled individuals who are on Medicare’s Part D drug program; and

WHEREAS, when congress enacted Medicare Prescription Drug Bill they enacted a law that does allow Medicare to negotiate with pharmaceutical companies for drug prices the way Medicaid and the Veterans Administration does; and

WHEREAS, one economist, Dean Baker, estimates that Medicare could have saved approximately $332 billion dollars between 2006 and 2013 (approximately $50 billion a year) had the Department of Health and Human Services been permitted to negotiate prices of drugs with the drug companies, as federal agencies do in other programs; and

WHEREAS, rising prescription drug costs have been the primary reason for the increase in health benefit costs; and

WHEREAS, the increasing cost of prescription drugs and outrageous profits made by pharmaceutical companies is a systemic problem that significantly affects our state and our nation. It deserves non-partisan effort; and
WHEREAS, we must prevent our elected officials from balancing the budget on the backs of those who can least afford it, the elderly and disabled. Increases in premiums and drug costs are unacceptable ways to deal with the flawed Medicare Prescription Drug Bill; and

WHEREAS, we must preserve the Medicare program as it currently exists and to do so requires immediate action to cut unnecessary costs, particularly in the area of prescription drug coverage; and

WHEREAS, we must revise the Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003 to allow negotiating lower drug prices and the importation of identical, cheaper, drugs from Canada and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, we cannot allow the previously approved bill to stand as adopted at the risk of having the Medicare program be the cause of a staggering increasing deficit which will require tax increases or cuts to the rest of the government, nor can we allow the continuance of price increases to our citizens cause many to contemplate discontinuing medically necessary drugs in order to pay their bills, heat their houses and have food on the table; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners goes on record urging our Legislators to commence the process of revising the Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003 to allow negotiating lower drug prices and the importation of identical, cheaper drugs from Canada and elsewhere; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our area Federal and State Legislators, the National Association of Counties, Michigan Association of Counties and the 82 Michigan Counties.

Yes – David Heeres, Joshua Watrous, Ed Boettcher, Terry VanAlstine, Brenda Ricksgers,
Dawn LaVanway, Christian Marcus;
No – Karen Bargy;
Absent – Jason Helwig.

RESOLUTION #17-2019 DECLARED ADOPTED.

ANTRIM COUNTY CLERK, BELLAIRE, MI
STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF ANTRIM, ss
I, Sheryl A. Guy, Clerk of the County of Antrim, do
certify the above is a true and exact copy of the
original record now remaining in this office.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand
and official seal of the County of Antrim
this 10th day of April, 2019.

Sheryl A. Guy
County Clerk
BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 9, 2019

RESOLUTION

BY:

THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS,

The Great Lakes are a critical resource for our nation, supporting the economy and a way of life in Michigan and the other seven states within the Great Lakes region. The Great Lakes hold 20 percent of the world's surface freshwater and 90 percent of the United States' surface freshwater. This globally significant freshwater resource provides drinking water for more than 30 million people and directly supports 1.5 million jobs, generating $62 billion in wages; and

WHEREAS,

The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) provides essential funding to restore and protect the Great Lakes. This funding has supported long overdue efforts to clean up toxic pollution, reduce runoff from cities and farms, combat invasive species, and restore fish and wildlife habitat. Since 2010, the federal government has partnered with public and private entities and invested more than $2 billion in over 2,500 projects throughout the region. Over its first six years, the GLRI has provided more than $425 million for more than 500 projects in Michigan alone. The Brookings Institution has estimated that every dollar invested in the Great Lakes produces two dollars in long-term economic benefits; and

WHEREAS,

GLRI projects are making a significant difference. They have restored more than 150,000 acres of fish and wildlife habitat; opened up fish access to more than 3,400 miles of rivers; helped implement conservation programs on more than 1 million acres of farmland; and accelerated the cleanup of toxic hotspots. In Michigan, GLRI funding has been instrumental in removing contaminated sediments from Muskegon Lake, the River Raisin, and the St. Mary's River; in restoring habitat along the St. Clair River, Cass River, Boardman River, and the Keweenaw Peninsula; and in the delisting of White Lake in Muskegon County and Deer Lake in the Upper Peninsula as areas of concern; and

WHEREAS,

While a significant investment, past GLRI funding represents only a small portion of the amount needed to restore and protect the Great Lakes. Toxic algal blooms, beach closings, fish consumption advisories, and the presence of contaminated sediments continue to limit the recreational and commercial use of the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS,

Any cuts to GLRI funding would jeopardize the momentum from over a decade of unprecedented regional cooperation. Draft federal budgets have proposed a 97 percent reduction in GLRI funding. These cuts would be a short-sighted, short-term cost-saving measure with long-term implications. Restoration efforts will only become more expensive and more difficult if they are not addressed in the coming years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED

That the Bay County Board of Commissioners opposes slashing federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative; Be It Further

RESOLVED

That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation as well as the other 82 Michigan counties.

MICHAEL J. DURANCZYK, CHAIR

AND BOARD

Resolution sponsored by Commissioner Michael J. Duranczyk, 1st District

MOVED BY COMM. LUTZ

SUPPORTED BY COMM. RYDER

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VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YES   NAYS  EXCUSED
VOICE: YEAHS 6 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 1

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED X DEFEATED WITHDRAWN AMENDED CORRECTED REFERRED

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CHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION 19-06
SUPPORTING HB 4227
THE CREATION OF A "COMMITTEE ON MICHIGAN'S MINING FUTURE"

WHEREAS, the mining industry is a vital economic contributor, not just for Upper Peninsula, but for the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Upper Peninsula counties and the State of Michigan to strengthen and develop sustainable mining practices for the future, and

WHEREAS, it is of vital importance to enhance the talent supply and demand needs of the Upper Peninsula through strategic focus on talent retention and attraction to build a strong workforce for mining in the Upper Peninsula, and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of House Bill 4227 to create a Committee on Michigan's Mining Future to ensure a comprehensive plan focused on ferrous, non-ferrous, and aggregate mining industry needs such as infrastructure, transportation, energy, applied research, environmental quality, government policies, taxation, rural development, mining legacy cleanup funds, and communications and public outreach, and

WHEREAS, the proposed committee would be comprised of fifteen members with governor-appointed representatives from diverse areas of industry, state departments, environmental groups, tribal members and labor groups to meet the challenges and take advantage of the opportunities for the future.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners supports House Bill 4227 in the interest of strengthening and developing the future of Michigan mining practices, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all counties in Michigan, the Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress (UPCAP), the Michigan Townships Association, the Michigan Association of Counties, Upper Peninsula legislators and Governor Whitmer.
Motion offered at a regular meeting of the Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners, Tuesday, April 23, 2019 by Commissioner Richard Sangster supported by Commissioner Michael Newman.

AYES: Seven (7)  NAYS: Zero (0)  ABSTAINS: Zero (0)  ABSENT: Zero (0)

John B. Wallace, Chairperson
Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

I, Karen L. Brewster, Clerk of the County of Cheboygan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting on April 23, 2019.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Cheboygan on the 23rd day of April 2019 at Cheboygan, Michigan.

Karen L. Brewster
Cheboygan County Clerk/Register
TRIBUTE

IN RECOGNITION OF Steve Jackson’s Generous Donation of a Flag Pole at Veterans Memorial Park

WHEREAS, the Veterans Memorial Park underwent a huge redevelopment project; and

WHEREAS, during this project, the flag pole at the Veterans Memorial Park was undersized at 50ft tall and damaged; and

WHEREAS, through a generous donation by Steve Jackson, a new 70 foot flag pole and properly sized base were purchased; and

WHEREAS, this new flag pole also allowed for a 12foot x 18foot flag to be flown proudly at the Veterans Memorial Park; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize Steve Jackson for his generous donation for a flag pole and base at the Veterans Memorial Park for all to enjoy; and

ALSO THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners calls upon the citizens to visit and pay tribute to this great park known as Veterans Memorial Park.

Muskegon County Board of Commissioners
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Gary Foster, Vice-Chair
Marcia Hovey-Wright
Zach Lahrng
Kenneth Mahoney
Charles Nash
Robert Scolnik
I. John Snider, II
Rillastine Wilkins

January 29, 2019
TRIBUTE

IN RECOGNITION OF
Jackson-Merkey’s Generous Donation of Equipment and Labor at Veterans Memorial Park

WHEREAS, the Veterans Memorial Park underwent a huge redevelopment project; and

WHEREAS, during this project, the flag pole at the Veterans Memorial Park was undersized at 50ft tall and damaged; and

WHEREAS, during this project, thousands of bronze memorial markers throughout the park needed to be relocated, cleaned, and replaced; and

WHEREAS, through a generous donation by Jackson-Merkey, equipment and labor were donated; and

WHEREAS, this new flag pole also allowed for a 12ft x 18ft flag to be flown proudly at the Veterans Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, thousands of memorial markers have been cleaned and replaced; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize Jackson-Merkey for its generous donation of equipment and labor at the Veterans Memorial Park; and

ALSO THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners calls upon the citizens to visit and pay tribute to this great park known as Veterans Memorial Park.

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January 29, 2019
Muskegon County Human Resources Department
2018 Accomplishments

• Successfully negotiated 9 union collective bargaining agreements
• Implemented one medical plan option - HSA
  • Holistic wellness topics, lunch ‘n learns
• Health & Wellness Fair, 2nd Annual
• Class spec audit, FLSA, ADA compliance
• MVAA Veteran Friendly Certification - Bronze
• Transitioned EEO to HR department and conducted training for all employees
• Brookhaven closure
• Segregated Court employees according to SCAO
• Transitioned Medicare Advantage to UHC – 62.69% reduction in premium
FY18 HR Statistics (County)

- Job announcements - 253
- Applications received and reviewed - 6460
- New Hires - 198
- HR Forms processed – 2704
- Job Fairs – 13
- Employees enrolled in medical insurance – 783
- Retirees enrolled in medical insurance - 604
Job Fairs
• Auto Liability & Physical Damage
  • 300+ Fleet Vehicles
    • Cars, Trucks, Buses, Motorcycles, Fire/Rescue Units
  • 40 Mobile Equipment, 12 Boats, 30 Trailers
• Property Insurance
  • 75 Insured Properties
FY18 EEO Statistics (9 months)

• Employee Training - 966

• Training provided to new employees

• Complaints filed – 15

• EEO-4 Report biennially to the US Equal Opportunity Commission with the current workforce statistics, June 30, 2019
2019 Goals

• Implement new performance evaluation tool and training (PERFORM)
• On-line open enrollment employee portal, self-service benefits
• Implement Neogov-Online Hiring Center (OHC)
• MVAA Veteran Friendly Certification - Silver
• Total compensation sheets
• Revise Drug-Free Work Place Policy
• Continue to transition payroll and recognize efficiencies
• Transition Personnel files to paperless

• Health & Wellness Fair, 3rd Annual
  • Wellness incentives? Personal Day?
WHEREAS, the Muskegon Area Intermediate School District launched a “Read early. Read often.” campaign aimed at increasing early literacy of Muskegon County children ages birth to five; and

WHEREAS, the “Read early. Read often” campaign is a county-wide effort to urge parents, siblings, grandparents and community members to read to infants and toddlers every day; and

WHEREAS, statistics show reading early and reading often teaches children to listen and focus, introduces new words, builds imagination and improves school readiness and future success in school and life; and

WHEREAS, babies and toddlers who are read to often will have heard as many as thirty million more words than children who aren’t read to; and

WHEREAS, young children who are read to at least three times per week are almost twice as likely to receive top reading scores; and

WHEREAS, research shows young children with the highest exposure to reading at home have advantages in spelling and alphabet knowledge through third grade;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners hereby declares May 18th – 25th, 2019, “Read early. Read often.” Week and encourages reading to infants and toddlers to aid in their future successes.

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