

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting * Wednesday, June 7, 2017

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Leslie Housler.

Roll call: Present – Commissioners Michael MacCready, Leslie Housler, Robert Hilty, Michael Bengelink, Michael Bush, Julie Theobald, Gary Taylor, Judy Nichols, and Bill Goodwill; Absent - None

Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Added - 12. Partial Payment Request.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Goodwill to approve the agenda, as amended.

All in favor.

Employee Recognition –

1. 35-year Service Award, Elaine Richardson, County Clerk

Chairman Housler presented Elaine Richardson with her award for 35 years of service with the County.

Presentations and Reports -

1. Resolution 17-13 Recognizing the Cadillac Connectors Robotics Team

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve Resolution 17-13 Recognizing the Cadillac Connectors Robotics Team, as presented.

Comm Bush read the resolution recognizing the “Cadillac Connectors Robotics Team”. Many of their members were present.

All in favor.

Public Comments – None

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Goodwill to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. Medical Examiner Contract

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Goodwill to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for performance of Medical Examiner duties in Wexford County for the period of June 1, 2017, through May 31, 2021, totaling \$169,600 for the four year period and authorize the Board Chairman to sign on behalf of the County, as presented.

Both Dr. Wagner and Lisa Kaspriak, Administrator, were present to meet the Board members. Dr. Wagner is looking forward to working with Wexford County and the medical community.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

2. Resolution 17-11 Extending Appreciation to the Octagon Building Committee

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Goodwill to approve Resolution 17-11 Extending Appreciation to the Octagon Building Committee, as presented. .

It was pointed out that the Octagon Committee has been working hard to save this building. An RFP was put together by the County. The raising of the building will come at no cost to the County. The Octagon Committee is working to raise the funds on their own.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously

3. Resolution 17-14 2017 Summer Millage Rate for FY 2017 Budget
MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Theobald to approve Resolution 17-14 2017 Summer Millage Rate for FY 2017 Budget, as presented.

4. Taxable Valuation L-4046 Report

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve the 2017 Taxable Valuations, Report L-4046, and authorize the Board Chairman and the Equalization Director to sign on behalf of the County, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously

5. 2017 Tax Rate Request L-4029 Report

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve the 2017 Tax Rate Request, Report L-4029, and authorize the Board Chairman and County Clerk to sign on behalf of the County, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously

Board members were reminded the Veteran's Service millage and Public Safety millage is due to expire this year.

6. Attorney Magistrate Appointment

MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Theobald to approve the Attorney Magistrate, Hazel Holly, District Court appointment, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously

7. Fair Board's Request

MOTION by Comm Goodwill, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve the Northern District Fair Board's request to fund half, \$750 of the total amount of \$1,500, to repair the east end of the horse arena, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously

8. Recycle Center Lease Termination

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Goodwill to accept Matthew Gunnerson's request to terminate the Recycle Center lease, as presented.

Board members discussed having an environmental assessment done on the property as well as an inventory of the equipment. The motion was modified:

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Goodwill to accept Matthew Gunnerson's request to terminate the Recycle Center lease after Comm Hilty conducts/arranges for an environmental impact study for the past four years and an inventory of all assets.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously

9. Residential Stability Services Contract Modifications

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Goodwill to approve the Residential Stability Services Contract Modification and authorize the Board Chairman to sign on behalf of the County, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously

10. Budget Amendments

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve the budget amendments dated 06/7/2017, as presented.

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**Wexford County Board of Commissioners
Amendments to the 2017 Budget**

Adj #	Acct	Acct Description	Revenue	Expense	
20170601	101.000.699.00	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 34,530		(a)
	101.351.970.06	Capital Outlay		\$ 34,530	
		New Jail office furniture approved in 2016			
20170602	101.000.699.00	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 16,835		(b)
	101.351.970.02	Jail, Capital Outlay		\$ 16,835	
		A&B Equipment - Conveyor System at the new jail			

Roll call: Motion passed eight to one with Comm MacCready voting against the motion.

Committee of the Whole – Jail Project - No report

11. Partial Pay Request

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve the partial payment request in the amount of \$1,620,967.10 for May 1, 2017 to May 31, 2017 for the jail construction and related expenses.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

Administrator's Report

Elaine Richardson, County Clerk and Co-Administrator brought the Board up to date on the following: the Recreation Plan is due to expire this year and Building and Recreation is going to move it forward; the approved phone system for the new jail facility has been ordered; bids on the octagonal building are due June 9 at 11:00 a.m. and the opening will be at 11:30 a.m.; the County received a bill from Sterling Excavation for the water service at the WEX, changing from City water to Haring Township water.

Correspondence

Comm Theobald received a letter from someone touching on nepotism in the Prosecutor's Office.

Public Comments -

Don Koshmider, Cadillac, expressed his concern about having heroin dealers being used by TNT to make drug arrests.

John Fuscone, Octagonal Building committee, thanked the Board for passing the resolution showing their support of the Octagon Building. The committee is looking forward to moving on with this project.

Liaison Reports

Comm Taylor attended a COA meeting and reminded Board members that the Senior Expo will be on 6/15. Also, on 6/20 the Veterans Service Office will be having on “Stand Down” event.

Comm Theobald was happy to inform the Board that DHHS is working closely with Cadillac/Wexford Transit for transportation for their clients. DHHS is also working with volunteers for transportation services.

Board Comment

Comm Nichols thanked and congratulated the youth and coaches for their accomplishments in robotics.

Comm MacCready expressed appreciation to the robotics group. A discussion needs to be held to allow new residents in the Cedar Creek area to see if they qualify to be connected to the new water supply in Cedar Creek. At a Network’s North West meeting, they will be discussing different uses for Camp Pugsley including shelter for homeless people.

Comm Bengelink stated that all government staff have different responsibilities. No three persons run the County.

Comm Theobald thanked John Fuscone for all his work with the committee on the Octagonal building. She thanked Clerk Richardson for 35 years of service. Also, DHHS has several openings for children to attend their camp. Anyone interested may contact her. She thanked the Robotics Team for coming to tonight’s meeting and staying.

Chairman’s Comments

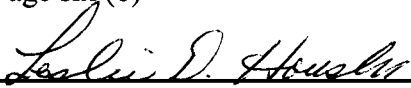
Comm Housler congratulated and thanked the Robotics Team for attending and staying for tonight’s meeting.

Adjourn

MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Bengelink to adjourn at 6:00 p.m.

All in favor.

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