

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting * Wednesday, August 1, 2018

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 - 6.a. Resolution 18-23 Agreement to Add Wexford County Central Dispatch to an Interlocal Agreement

Approval of the Agenda

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

All in favor.

Employee Recognition - None

Presentations and Reports –

1. Networks Northwest Annual Presentation

Matt McCauley, CEO of Networks Northwest, appeared before the Board to provide their annual report. He began by outlining the very large area they cover. He was proud and pleased to have been named to replace Elaine Wood as CEO after her 42 years of service. He explained the services they provide to our community include education, job assistance, and training. They work directly with the employers in the area to see what they would like to see in the line of training to help fill positions. Also, apprenticeship programs are very valuable in the area which allows for job growth without the four years of additional schooling. Networks Northwest also provides: adult education which is a basis for many jobs in the area; offender success programs to help reduce other criminal offenses, and working strongly with the Wexford County industry.

Public Comments

Brian Potter, Cherry Grove, attended a meeting recently on the M-115 corridor which involves Cherry Grove, Clam Lake and the City of Cadillac. At the meeting some good ideas were talked about, but business owners would be asked for the financing. They believe there would be growth potential in the Cadillac West area and Mackinaw Trail.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the July 18, 2018, Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Acceptance of Resignation from the Airport Authority

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

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. Resolution 18-21 Extending Appreciation for Arthur Haight's Dedicated Service
MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve Resolution 18-21 Extending Appreciation for Arthur Haight's Dedicated Service, as presented.

Mr. Haight addressed the Board touching on his years of service with the County. He looks at staff members he has worked with over the years as part of his family and he will miss them all.

All in favor.

2. Appointment to the Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Board
MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Nichols to appoint Rosanne Denny to the Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Services Board to fill a vacancy with a term expiring March 31, 2020, as presented

All in favor.

3. Appointments to the Airport Authority
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to appoint the following two individuals to the Airport Authority: Nathan Paquin to fill a vacancy with a term expiring December 31, 2018 and George Helton to fill a vacancy with a term expiring December 31, 2019, as presented.

All in favor.

4. Child Care Budget Summary FY 2019
MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Goodwill to approve the Basic Grant and In-Home Child Care Certification between Wexford County and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of \$776,999 for the period of October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the budget development certification, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

5. Tower Sale Allocation

MOTION by Comm Bengelink, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve the money from the old jail tower sale be allocated to the General Fund in Department 290 designated for payments towards Central Dispatch's software needs, equipment needs and building improvement needs, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

6. Budget Amendments – None

- a. Resolution 18-23 Agreement to Add Wexford County Central Dispatch to an Interlocal Agreement – *Added*

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve Resolution 18-23 Agreement to Add Wexford County Central Dispatch to an Interlocal Agreement for NG-911 Call Handling System Project as a Remote Site, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

7. Committee of the Whole – Jail Update

MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Theobald to resolve into a committee of the whole for the purposes of discussing the jail project.

All in favor.

Elaine Richardson, County Clerk/Interim Administrator reported to the Board some of the ongoing problems at the jail, which includes:

- Shower problems/water will not shut off;
- Roof Leaking – Adam has check it out and is working on the leaks; Granger believes they found it;
- Vents on the Roof; pipes are sweating around the drop ceiling and dripping;
- Sound proofing the Attorney conference room;
- Drains in the shower area continue to be a problem
- Garage wash bay – two heaters have burned out; they are receiving a third
- Screens connected to the water pipes are becoming plugged with something
- Water samples have been taken at both the jail and courthouse; no reply yet unless Lisa Vogler, Owner Representative, has them;

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to rise and report the findings for the Committee of the Whole.

All in favor.

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MOTION by Comm Hilty, seconded by Comm Bengelink to move to retain Council to sue both the architect and the contractor on the Sheriff/Jail facility.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

Administrator's Report

Contact has been made with Ms. Green about the purchase of the recycle building. She was assured that the County was not willing to reduce their sale price and was not willing to pay for the environmental testing that has been done at the request of her financial institution.

Correspondence - None

Public Comments – None

Liaison Reports

Comm Nichols attended a District Health Department #10 meeting and a report will be distributed.

Board Comment

Comm Theobald explained the main reason for voting against paying out the contractors was for just the reasons we discussed here tonight. She thanked Networks Northwest for a great job. She also thanked Chip Haight for his dedication to his dispatch position. Information on the MAC summit will be disbursed.

Comm Nichols felt Rosanne Denny was a great appointment to the Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Services Board. She has a lot of respect and appreciation for all the work Chip Haight has done over the years.

Comm MacCready attended the FOC reception and grant presentation of \$40,000. He feels FOC does not take a lot of the County's money and they deserve a level increase.

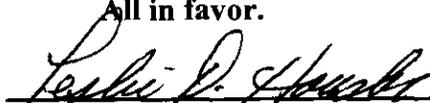
Chairman's Comments

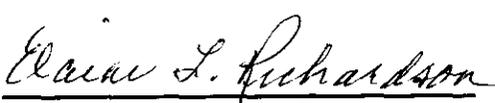
Chairman Housler thanked Chip Haight for his 41 years of service to the County.

Adjourn

MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Bengelink to adjourn at 6:13 p.m.

All in favor.


Leslie D. Housler, Chairperson


Elaine L. Richardson, County Clerk