

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting * Wednesday, November 7, 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 - None

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the agenda, as presented.

All in favor.

Employee Recognition - None

Presentations and Reports – None

Public Comments

Beverly Brighton, Boon Township Trustee, raised some concern about small fire departments being forced to purchase 800 MHz radios. She believes the purchase of the radios should be the responsibility of the County.

Cathy Adams, Supervisor of Cherry Grove Township, expressed concern over the damage large lumber trucks were doing to our roads. They are undermining our gravel on the roads. She wanted this Board to be aware of the situation that was affecting many roads in the County. They all need to be looked at and repaired.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the October 17, 2018, Regular Meeting Minutes
 2. Reappointment to the Veterans Services Committee
 3. Emergency Management Position
- MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Nichols to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.**

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. 2019 Proposed Budget

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Taylor to hold a Public Hearing on the 2019 budget on Wednesday, November 21, 2018, at 5:30 p.m., as presented.

Corinna Hervey, CPA of Baird Cotter & Bishop, has worked on the budget with the Treasurer/Interim Administrator. The budget is balanced with an excess of approximately \$2400, which has been placed in the Contingency Account. The PIC fund has money set aside for Circuit Court, HVAC, and six parole cars for the Sheriff's Department.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

2. Resolution 18-32 Opposition to SB 396

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve Resolution 18-32 Opposition to Senate Bill 396, as presented.

Karl Hanson, Wexford County Road Commission Engineer, explained that the resolution before the Board tonight would remove their ability to request permits be purchased for logging trucks. They work closely with the logging industry and have a good relationship. By requiring permits for logging trucks it is their way to keep track of where loggers are working and to help keep watch over those roads for maintenance purposes. It was pointed out that log trucks can destroy roads in 2-3 years both gravel and paved.

Roll call: motion approved unanimously.

3. NMCAA Project Administration Agreement – Contract for Services

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Bush, to approve the Contract for Services between Wexford County and Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency for the period of October 1, 2018, through June 30, 2020, and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

4. Liaison Apt. – Jail Project, Cedar Creek, Landfill, 911 Central Dispatch
MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Bengelink to appoint Commissioner Robert Hilty as the liaison to the Jail Project, Cedar Creek Water System, Landfill Operations and the 911 Dispatch Center with a term expiring December 31, 2020, as presented.

Motion passed 8-1 with Comm MacCready voting against the motion.

5. Budget amendments

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to approve the budget amendment dated 11/7/2018, as presented.

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Amendments to the 2018 Budget				
Adj #	Acct	Acct Description	Revenue	Expense
20181101	261.325.702.05	Overtime		\$ 8,900 (a)
	261.325.746.00	Uniforms		\$ (1,000)
	261.325.746.01	Laundry		\$ (900)
	261.325.920.00	Utility-Heat		\$ (3,500)
	261.325.921.00	Utility-Electric		\$ (3,500)
		To accommodate overtime		

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

6. Committee of the Whole – 911 Central Dispatch – Bid Results
MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Theobald to form a Committee of the Whole for the purposes of discussing the Central Dispatch 911 Center.

All in favor.

Duane Alworden, 911 Director, appeared before the Board to update them on the RFP for Architectural Services. About six weeks ago, the Board approved sending out RFPs for Architectural Services for a new 911 Dispatch center; five bids were received and were reviewed by the 911 Advisory Committee. They removed three bids due to pricing and two remained; one of the two was local and the difference was just over \$2,000. The 911 Advisory Committee selected DK Design. Their bid is before the Board tonight for approval. Board members were also provided with a DRAFT of the minutes from the meeting held on November 1, 2018, with the 911 Advisory Committee. After some discussion, Board members were pleased to go with a local architect.

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

All in favor.

MOTION by Comm Bengelink, seconded by Comm Taylor to award the 911 Center Architectural Services bid to The DK Design Group and waive the requirement in Policy D-1.0, Purchasing, Contracts and Sales, L.1 & 2, and request a contract from legal counsel, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

7. Closed Session to Discuss Union Negotiations
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing union negotiations pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act, Act 267, P.A. 1976, as amended, being MCL 15.268 Sec.8(c).

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Taylor to resume open session of the Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting and to accept the Minutes of the Closed Session as orally read by the Clerk.

All in favor.

Administrators' Report

Treasurer Stanton informed the Board that between now and the end of this budget year they will be seeing more budget amendments. Clerk Richardson explained that the 911 Advisory Committee has a meeting scheduled for tomorrow with DK Design to get some questions answered and to have them explain their process.

Correspondence

1. Northern District Fair Association Letter

Public Comments - None

Liaison Reports

Comm Taylor attended a Health Department meeting and the minutes will be sent out.

Board Comment

Comm Nichols congratulated Comm Bush on his election win. She also acknowledged the letter from the Fair Board and it will be addressed at the Building & Recreation Committee meeting.

Comm Goodwill was thankful for Wexford County voting proposal #1 down, but was disappointed on it being passed across the State. Marijuana has a negative impact and the use will open the doors with other problems. Innocent people will be harmed by people under the influence of marijuana.

Comm Bush thanked the people in District #5 for their support and he is looking forward to working with the new Board.

Chairman's Comments

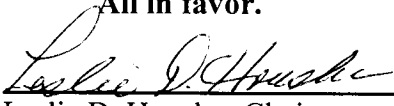
Comm Housler thanked all for coming.

Adjourn

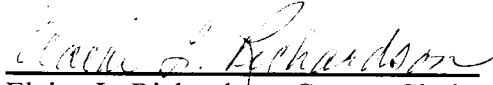
MOTION by Comm Taylor, seconded by Comm Theobald to adjourn at 6:25 p.m.

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All in favor.



Leslie D. Housler, Chairperson



Elaine L. Richardson, County Clerk