

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting * Wednesday, June 5, 2019

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Gary Taylor.

Roll Call: Present- Commissioners Joseph Hurlburt, Mike Musta, Ben Townsend, Mike Bengelink, Michael Bush, Julie Theobald, Gary Taylor, Judy Nichols, and Brian Potter.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda- None.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Potter to approve the agenda, as presented.

All in favor.

Employee Recognition-

1. Judge William Fagerman- 25 years

Chair Taylor read into the record the Employee Recognition for Judge Fagerman. Judge was not able to be present, but it will be delivered to him at a later date.

2. Kelly Dostal- 20 years

Chair Taylor presented Kelly Dostal with an Employee Recognition for 20 years of service with the County. She thanked the Board for the recognition.

Presentation and Reports -

Cadillac Wexford Library- Tracy Logan-Walker, Director of the Cadillac Library presented the Board with information regarding the 4 branches of the library: Cadillac, Mesick, Manton and Buckley. She explained all of the services that they are offering and where they see the most being utilized. Ms. Logan-Walker also explained how their funding works and their budget process.

Public Comments

Al Cooper, Wexford County Road Commission, came before the Board to inform them there will be a full road closure near Baxter Bridge for approximately 2 weeks. When they know the exact date, they will let everyone know.

Brent Schnell, Motorola Solutions, wanted to come before the Board to explain they are currently used by 75 out of the 83 counties. He explained all of the services that they currently offer and could offer to Wexford County.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the May 15, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Acceptance of Resignation from the Library Board

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

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. Wexford County's 2018 Financial Audit

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Bush to approve Wexford County's December 31, 2018, Financial Statements and Independent Audit, as presented.

Steven Peacock, Rehmann, presented the Board with the final report from the Independent Audit. He explained that the County received a Gold Standard report. There were 3 minor areas that they had suggestions for. He explained that they were very minor and did not affect any of the findings. Overall the audit was very efficient and clean.

Roll Call: Motion approved unanimously.

2. 2019 Tax Rate Request, L-4029 Report

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve the 2019 Tax Rate Request, Report L-4029, and authorize the Board Chairman and County Clerk to sign the report on behalf of the County, as presented.

Joe Porterfield, Equalization Director, presented the Board with the L-4029 Report that shows that the County if properly applying any millages that we may see. This year there were not any millages expiring.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

3. Resolution 19-11 2019 Summer Millage Rate for FY 2019 Budget

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Potter to approve Resolution 19-11 2019 Summer Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2019 Budget, as presented.

Joe Porterfield, Equalization Director, explained to the Board that this is something that happens every year. The Resolution is the notice to the public what the millage rate will be for the year.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

4. Resolution 19-13 Fidelity Insurance Acceptance

MOTION by Comm Musta, seconded by Comm Bengalink to approve Resolution 19-13 Fidelity Insurance Acceptance Resolution, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

5. Amendment to the Centralized Birth Certification System Agreement

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Musta to approve the Revenue Agreement #20171718, Amendment #1 between the State of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and Wexford County extending the expiration date to September 30, 2021 and increase the revenue by \$5,000, and authorizing the County Clerk to sign on behalf of the County, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

6. Medical Examiner Investigator Fee

MOTION by Comm Musta, seconded by Comm Bengelink to approve increases for a Level One Investigator from \$75 to \$100, Level Two Investigator from \$95 to \$135 Natural and \$155 Non-Natural and a Certified Death Scene Investigator from \$115 to \$155 Natural and \$175 Non-Natural, as presented.

One Commissioner raised the question of what was changing to warrant the change in price. Another Commissioner explained that this increase would bring us equal to what other counties are paying.

Roll call: Motion approved 7-2 with Commissioners Hurlburt and Theobald voting against the Motion.

7. Grand Traverse Mobile Communications Agreement

MOTION by Comm Nichols, seconded by Comm Theobald to approve the agreement between Grand Traverse Mobile Communications and Wexford County for equipment, services and warranties as outlined in the proposal dated May 20, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$349,338.00 and authorize the Board Chairman to sign on behalf of the County, as presented.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

8. Budget Amendments

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the budget amendment dated 6/5/2019, as presented.

6/5/2019

**Wexford County Board of Commissioners
 Amendments to the 2019 Budget**

Adj #	Acct	Acct Description	Revenue	Expense
20190601	101.141.702.04	Human Services Grant Tech		\$ (16,324) (a)
	101.141.800.02	Human Services Grant Contract		\$ 16,324
	To pay for the contracted individual.			

20190602	101.301.702.15	Contracted Services	\$ 2,775 (b)
	101.301.980.00	Equipment	\$ (2,775)

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

9. Committee of the Whole-Dispatch Center
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bengelink to form a Committee of the Whole for the purposes of discussing the Central Dispatch 911 Center.

Roll call: Motion approved unanimously.

Administrator Koch informed the Board that the 45 day waiting period has expired and we will be moving forward with the bond. Once bond counsel finds a bank to finance, the ball will officially start rolling.

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

All in favor.

10. Administrators Report
Administrator Koch discussed the many issues the County dealt with in the last few weeks with the elevator and water being out. She commended the employees for working so well together to come to a solution so that the late hearing could be held regarding the Teridee matter.

Correspondence-

1. Gift of Life Michigan, Organ and Tissue Donation
2. Northwest MI Regional Economic Development Summit

Public Comments- None.

Liaison Reports

Comm Theobald attended a DHHS meeting where they are having some budget concerns. They also have an active shooter training scheduled with Travis Baker, Emergency Management Director.

Comm. Nichols attended a District 10 Health Department meeting where they had a presentation on the opioid epidemic.

Comm Hurlburt was unable to attend the Road Commission meeting, but he was able to discuss the meeting with Al Cooper.

Comm Musta attended the Wex Express meeting and informed everyone that they will be providing a shuttle bus for the car show from the High School.

Comm Townsend attended the library meeting and they are doing a tremendous job.

Board Comments

Comm Theobald raised a concern about a police report that was circulating on social media with a Deputy's personal information.

Comm Nichols attended the Memorial Day parade and ceremony afterward and was very impressed. She also went to the County Museum and encouraged everyone to go visit as well. She extended her appreciation for the work done for the audit also.

Comm Potter enjoyed the newsletter that was put together by the Administration office.

Comm Hurlburt thanked Kristi Nottingham for her work on the audit and voiced his unhappiness with the medical examiner because medical personnel is being forced to wait for someone to come from Osceola County.

Comm Bengelink passed out a report titled 2019 Kids Count. Currently Wexford is ranked 72nd and he believes that is something we need to look at to determine which areas the Board can help to change this number. He doesn't believe we should be ranked 72nd.

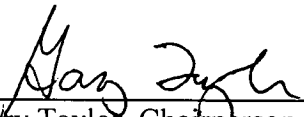
Chairman's Comments

Comm Taylor thanked everyone for coming.

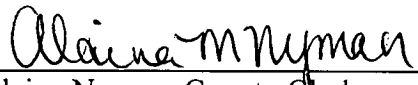
Adjourn

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

All in favor.



Gary Taylor, Chairman



Alaina Nyman, County Clerk