

WEXFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting * Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Taylor.

Roll Call: Present- Commissioners Jason Mitchell, Michael Musta, Ben Townsend, Kathleen Adams, Michael Bush, Julie Theobald, Jason Baughan, Brian Potter and Gary Taylor.

Absent- *None*.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda-

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the agenda.

All in Favor.

Employee Recognition-

Brenda Stoll was acknowledged for her 10 years of service.

Presentation and Reports- None

Public Comment-None

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the September 20, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Acceptance of Resignation Wexford County Airport Authority
3. Acceptance of Resignation Pine River Natural River Zoning Review Board
4. Appointments to the Pine River Natural River Zoning Review Board

MOTION by Comm Musta, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the Consent Agenda.

All in favor.

Agenda Items

1. Request for Additional Attorney in the Public Defender's Office
MOTION by Comm Adams, seconded by Comm Bush to approve adding an additional Attorney position to the Public Defender's roster effective October 04, 2023.

Roll Call: Motion passed unanimously.

2. Flu Clinic

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve Cadillac Family Physicians to provide on-site flu immunizations and for the County to pay the full \$35 for any Wexford County employee whose cost is not covered by insurance.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

3. Community Corrections P.A. 511 Grant Agreement
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the presented Community Corrections P.A. 511 Grant Agreement for the period of October 01, 2023 to September 30, 2024 in the amount \$128,543.00, and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Roll Call: Motion Passed 8-0, with Commissioner Potter abstaining.

4. National Criminal History Program Grant Agreement
MOTION by Comm Bush, seconded by Comm Adams to approve the National Criminal History Grant Agreement in the amount of \$15,545.00 for the period of September 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Roll Call: Motion Passed 9-0.

5. Public Defender's Purchase Request
MOTION by Comm Baughan, seconded by Comm Theobald to approve the Public Defender's purchase request for file cabinets from Amazon in the amount of \$8,051.22.

Roll Call: Motion Passed 9-0.

6. Register of Deeds Purchase Request
MOTION by Comm Adams, seconded by Comm Theobald to approve the Register of Deeds' purchase request for fraudulent notification software from Tyler Technologies in the amount of \$800 annually, and an installation fee of \$6,600 and to waive the sealed bid process in accordance with Section I.5 of Policy D-1.0 Purchasing, Contracts, and Sales.

Ms. Bigger explained that the Register of Deeds office did obtain two bids for this, but they could not find a third because of the specificity of the software.

Roll Call: Motion passed unanimously.

7. AT&T Centrex Renewal Agreement
MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the annual AT&T Centrex Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

8. Fairgrounds Tractor Purchase

MOTION by Comm Baughan, seconded by Comm Theobald to approve the purchase of tractor and implements from Burnips Equipment in the amount of \$42,850 to come from fund balance.

Administrator Porterfield explained that they are finalizing contracts. The tractor will then be purchased by Fair, similar to the agreement for front end loader.

Comm Theobald reminded everyone that the County is responsible for those grounds, and they are helping us out.

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

9. Budget Amendments

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to approve the Budget Amendments dated October 4, 2023.

**Wexford County Board of Commissioners
 Amendments to the 2023 Budget Log**

BOC Meeting Date	Acct	Acct Description	Revenue	Expense
	259-000-			
2023-10-04	800.07	Contract Attorney		(\$25,000.00)
	259-000-			\$
	727.00	Office Supplies		25,000.00
Comment/Reasoning: Office Improvements				
	101-301-	Permanent		
2023-10-04	702.03	Employees		(\$43,860.00)
	101-301-			
	957.00	Training		\$43,860.00
Comment/Reasoning: Paying for the training of the 5 cadets in the academy, until the reimbursement is dispersed after their completion.				

Roll Call: Motion passed 9-0.

Administrator's Report-

Administrator Porterfield explained that they attended the MAC Conference where they attended several classes. There is a lot of things being watched at the state level to see how it will affect the County.

He has been busy with meetings with Consumer's Energy regarding the dam project. He also attended a Housing North meeting.

Mr. Porterfield also explained that the county has purchased the last piece of property by the jail. He is currently working with the city to make it one parcel. He also shared the news of the passing of Ron Vaughan.

Correspondence- None.

Public Comments-

Don Koshmider, Cadillac, informed everyone he believes the Covid-19 vaccines are poisonous. They are murdering us all and want us dead by 2030. Those that survive, will have to eat bugs. He encouraged everyone to watch Info Wars and not listen to 9&10 or Cadillac News. He requested a resolution regarding medical freedom be brought to the Board. He asked that they all educate themselves.

Liaison Reports-

Comm Theobald attended the Human Services Leadership Council. The United Way is also supporting a United We Smile program in Traverse City. The Salvation Army will be helping with rides. They have opened register to ring for the upcoming winter. She noted that Love Inc. has a free classroom for non-profit organizations. She also mentioned that the homeless shelter is currently on a waitlist.

Comm Taylor attended a Fairboard meeting. There is a demolition derby coming up.

Board Comments-

Comm Townsend thought Julie said enough.

Comm Adams was sad to hear of the passing of Ron Vaughan. She noted that the visitation was that night.

Chairman's Comments-

Chair Taylor thanked everyone for attending.


Adjourn

MOTION by Comm Theobald, seconded by Comm Bush to adjourn at 4:15 p.m.

All in favor.



Gary Taylor, Chairperson



Alaina M. Nyman, County Clerk