



Wexford County

FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Brian Potter, Chair

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Finance and Appropriations Committee of the Wexford County Board of Commissioners will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, March 13, 2025, beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room, third floor of the Historic Courthouse, 437 E. Division St., Cadillac, Michigan.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA
- D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- E. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 26, 2025, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 1
- F. PUBLIC COMMENTS
Designated for topics on the agenda only.
- G. AGENDA ITEMS
 - 1. Approval of the Claims *(Clerk's Office)*
- H. CORRESPONDENCE
- I. ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS
- J. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- K. COMMITTEE COMMENTS
- L. CHAIR COMMENTS
- M. ADJOURN

WEXFORD COUNTY
FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 26, 2025

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Brian Potter at 4:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' Room, Third Floor, Historic Courthouse, 437 E. Division St. Cadillac, Michigan.

Members Present: Brian Potter, Sandy Bengelink, Mark Nyman, Gary Taylor
Members Absent: None
Also Present: Ashley Hackert, Accounts Payable Clerk/Deputy Clerk; Joe Porterfield, County Administrator & Equalization Director; Megan Swanberg, Executive Assistant; Roxanne Snyder, ROD; Kristi Nottingham, Treasurer; Bob Champion, Chief PD and members of the public.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Nyman to approve the agenda. A vote was called, all in favor.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bengelink to approve the February 13, 2025, regular meeting minutes. A vote was called, all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

G.1. Approval of Claims

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bengelink to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$202,941.63. A vote was called, all in favor.

G.2. Revenue & Expense Reports

The January 2025 Revenue & Expense reports were included in the agenda packet. No concerns were cited.

G.3. Managed Assigned Counsel Coordinator Agreement- Public Defenders Office

A motion was made by Comm. Nyman and supported by Comm. Taylor to forward a recommendation to the full board to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement for Managed Assigned Counsel Coordinator between Wexford County and Patrick Cherry.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Porterfield said things are on track, audit preparation has begun, and it looks like the auditors will start in May.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Donald Koshmider, Cadillac, informed the committee that he is very worried about finances. Mr. Koshmider asked if the committee knew federal reserves were owned by corporations and that 70 percent of them were owned by foreign banks. They all got together and had secret meetings. Mr. Koshmider informed us that President Trump was going to Fort Knox to see if there was gold there. Mr. Koshmider said he was glad President Trump won over the other party, but he really is worried about finances. Mr. Koshmider asked the committee if it's so far-fetched to invest money in the precious metal, silver. He said he really appreciates the committee.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None.

CHAIR COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bengelink to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 p.m. A vote was called, all in favor.

Brian Potter, Chair

Megan Swanberg, Recording Secretary