

THE BENZIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
June 28, 2016

The Benzie County Board of Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, 448 Court Place, Government Center, Beulah, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Griner at 9:00 a.m.

Present were: Commissioners Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke

Excused: Bates

The invocation was given by Commissioner Griner followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda:

Motion by Sauer, seconded by Warsecke, to approve the agenda as amended, correcting Actions Items: 2016-019, removing COA Computer Purchase, add Health Dept 2% Grant Application.

Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates

Motion carried.

Minutes:

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Warsecke, to approve the regular session minutes of June 14, 2016 as presented. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

9:02 a.m. Public Input

Eric VanDussen spoke regarding the court's determination of the OMA violation by the HR committee.

9:06 a.m. Public Input Closed

ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPT HEAD COMMENTS:

Tom Longanbach, Chair of the Building Authority, stated that Thursday, June 30 at 9:00 a.m. the local inspections will be done on the Maples; July 7, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. Ed Hale inspection.

Sabra Boyle, Council on Aging, gave the report for Doug Durand; written report has been provided to the board and she spoke regarding the Diamond Tours trip to Mackinac Island with the next one being to Memphis in November; 173 booklets have been handed out for Project Fresh; Received a \$1,250 grant from Meals on Wheels of America for the efforts in March; will attend the Benzie Showcase on August 6 in Beulah.

Benzie Home Health Care report for May, 2016 provided.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Comm Carland reported that it has been pretty quiet; attended the LPT meeting last month and Frank Post discussed the grants which have been applied for to the Grand Traverse Band; discussed the drowning in Loon Lake; Airport Authority needs a little attention from this board.

Comm Tucker -- no report.

Comm Walterhouse – no report.

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Comm Sauer went to the Village of Elberta and their grant request for the restroom facility at the Farmers Marks has been granted; regarding the Road Commission – the Nostwick bridge project is completed; Benzie Home Health Care is really having a hard time getting CENAs.

Comm Warsecke – no report.

Comm Griner spoke regarding the Enbridge Pipeline 5 – he attended a public forum in Traverse City last week, it was a company sponsored event; there are 2 – 20” pipes not 1 – 30”; 1” steel; buried on each end 800 feet; carries liquefied natural gas (25%); all goes to Sarnia Ontario, about 55% comes back to Michigan 23 million gallons per day go through it. Crystal Lake Twp and the City of Frankfort will all hear about the airport soon – they was to have a paid administrator.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – Mitch Deisch

- Wants to set down with Chairman Griner regarding the AES representation.
- Ad will appear in the Record Patriot tomorrow for the ACO director.
- Setting up a meeting with the finance committee regarding the budget.
- July 12 board meeting Peter Cohl will discuss the labor negotiations in closed session.

FINANCE

Bills: Motion by Carland, seconded by Walterhouse, to approve payment of the bills from June 14, 2016 to June 28, 2016 in the amount of \$160,323.94, as presented. Roll call. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

Michelle Thompson, County Treasurer, also reported on the Land Bank Authority; tax bills are being printed for mailing on July 1; Benzie Community Chorus will be hosting concerts this week Friday, Saturday and Sunday at The Mills.

Finance Consent Calendar:

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Sauer, to approve the June 14, 2016 Finance Committee Consent Calendar items 1 and 2 as presented. Roll call. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

Comm Tucker inquired regarding raises; Mitch stated it will be part of the conversation, the expenses outstrip the revenue.

Michelle Thompson ~~stated regarding~~ presented the Land Sale Proceeds Report for \$55,800.00. She stated that \$50,000 has been budgeted as a transfer to the General Fund and that leaves \$5,800 left that we could budget if we needed to.

HR AND PERSONNEL – None

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Airport Authority: Motion by Carland, seconded by Walterhouse, to accept the resignation of Ken Laurence from the Frankfort City County Airport Authority and send a letter of thank you. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

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Bestie Valley Trail: Motion by Carland, seconded by Sauer, to affirm the appointments of Paul Bare and Dan Schoonmaker, with John Wheeler and Gregory Nowell, as the alternates, as the Crystal Lake Property Rights Association appointees, and Gary Pallin as the Village of Beulah representative to the Betsie Valley Trail, as requested. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Stucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

Committee Appointment Policy: To be handled in HR this afternoon.

ACTION ITEMS

2016-019: Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Carland, to adopt Resolution 2016-019 Truth & Taxation Resolution to Adopt Millage Rate as presented, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

Health Dept 2% Grant: Motion by Sauer, seconded by Carland, to approve the Tribal Council Allocation of 2% Fund Application for the Benzie Leelanau District Health Department in the amount of \$4,500.00 as presented, authorizing the chairman to sign. Roll call. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Road Commission minutes of May 26, 2016 received.
- Eaton County resolution regarding "Dark Stores" received.
- Benzie-Leelanau District Health Dept minutes of June 17, 2016 received.

Jennifer Berkey, MSUE Annual Report

Ms. Berkey presented the 2015-16 Annual Report touching on Developing Youth and Strong Communities; Keeping People Healthy; Disease Prevention and Management; Supporting Food and Agriculture; Fostering Strong Communities and Businesses. She stated they would be holding an open house in August and will notify the board of that date.

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Sauer, to accept the Michigan State University Extension Annual Report for 2015-16 and place on file. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Tucker, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates Motion carried.

9:55 a.m. Comm Tucker excused.

Elaine Wood, Networks Northwest Annual Report

Ms. Wood presented the FY 2015 Annual Report and stated that Coury Carland, Roger Griner, Art Jeannot and Bill Kennis, are present and members of their board, together with Betty Workman. All are representing Benzie County very well. She talked about Talent Development; Business Development and Community Planning and Development.

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Carland, to accept the Networks Northwest Annual Report for FY 2015 and place on file. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates and Tucker Motion carried.

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Bob Schlueter, Area Agency on Aging Annual Report

Mr. Schlueter presented the 2015 Annual Report for Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan and says thank you to Chairman Griner for sitting on their board; last year 4643,915 was spend in Benzie County and \$107,452 went through the Commission on Aging; he stated they work very closely with all 10 Council on Aging offices; they are very active with the veterans.

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Warsecke, to accept the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan 2015 Annual Report and place on file. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates and Tucker Motion carried.

Peg Minster, Planning Commission Annual Report

Ms. Minster gave the annual report stating the Mission statement and purpose of the Planning Commission and that great communities don't happen by accident – they happen by design; the 2015 activities; the Master Plan be complete by July 31, 2016. A draft copy of the Master Plan is also provided to the board.

Motion by Carland, seconded by Sauer, to accept the Planning Commission Annual Report dated June 2016 and place on file. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates and Tucker Motion carried.

10:45 a.m. PUBLIC INPUT

Jean Vogler stated that the mikes don't work when you are a foot away. We cannot hear the board members when they are speaking.

10:51 a.m. Motion by Sauer, seconded by Carland, to enter into closed session to discuss the County Administrator's Six-Month Evaluation in accordance with MCL 15.268 section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act. Roll call. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates and Tucker Motion carried.

11:40 a.m. Re-Enter Open Session

PUBLIC INPUT -- None

Motion by Carland, seconded by Sauer, to adjourn until the July 12, 2016 Regular meeting or the call of the chair. Ayes: Carland, Griner, Sauer, Walterhouse and Warsecke Nays: None Exc: Bates and Tucker Nays: None Motion carried

Roger L. Griner – Chair

Dawn Olney, Benzie County Clerk

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1. Approved the agenda as amended.
2. Approved the regular session minutes of June 14, 2016 as presented.
3. Approved payment of the bills.

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4. Approved the June 14, 2016 Finance Committee Consent Calendar items 1 and 2 as presented.
5. Accepted the resignation of Ken Laurence from the Airport Authority.
6. Affirmed the appointments of Paul Bare and Dan Schoonmaker, with John Wheeler and Gregory Nowell, as the alternates, as the Crystal Lake Property Rights Association appointees, and Gary Pallin as the Village of Beulah representative to the Betsie Valley Trail.
7. Adopted Resolution 2016-019 Truth & Taxation Resolution to Adopt Millage Rate as presented.
8. Approved the Tribal Council Allocation of 2% Fund Application for the Benzie Leelanau District Health Department in the amount of \$4,500.00 as presented.
9. Accepted the MSU Extension Annual Report for 2015-16.
10. Accepted the Networks Northwest Annual Report for FY 2015.
11. Accepted the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan 2015 Annual Report.
12. Accepted the Planning Commission Annual Report dated June 2016.
13. Entered closed session for the County Administrator's Six-Month Evaluation in accordance with MCL 15.268 section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Walterhouse, seconded by Sauer, to approve the Finance Consent Calendar items as follows:

1. To approve the purchase of a new Pick Up for the Solid Waste Recycling Department and use Solid Waste fund balance to purchase it.
2. To approve the purchase of services and equipment from TKS Security for a price “not to exceed” \$9,383.50 and that reimbursement from the MMRMA for half of the amount specified based on the approved grant.