

# BENZIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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## SPECIAL MEETING BENZIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA March 8, 2019 9:00 a.m. Frank Walterhouse Meeting Room, Government Center, Beulah, Michigan

9:00 a.m. Call to Order

Roll call

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Public Input

Interviews for County Commissioner – District IV  
Richard Jenkins  
Rhonda Nye  
Karen Remington  
Alan Rose

Public Input

Adjournment

THE COUNTY OF BENZIE WILL PROVIDE NECESSARY REASONABLE AUXILIARY AIDS AND SERVICES, SUCH AS SIGNERS FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED AND AUDIO TAPES OF PRINTED MATERIALS BEING CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING, TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AT THE MEETING OR HEARING UPON THIRTY (30) DAYS NOTICE TO THE COUNTY OF BENZIE. INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES REQUIRING AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES SHOULD CONTACT THE COUNTY BY WRITING OR CALLING THE FOLLOWING:

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This notice was posted by Dawn Olney, Benzie County Clerk, on the bulletin board in the main entrance of the Benzie County Governmental Center, Beulah, Michigan, at least 18 hours prior to the start of the meeting. This notice is to comply with Sections 4 and 5 of the Michigan Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976).

## PUBLIC INPUT

**Purpose:** The Benzie County Board of Commissioners is a public policy setting body and subject to the Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976). The Board also operates under a set of "Benzie County Board Rules (section 7.3)" which provides for public input during their meetings. It continually strives to receive input from the residents of the county and reserves two opportunities during the monthly scheduled meeting for you the public to voice opinions, concerns and sharing of any other items of common interest. There are however, in concert with meeting conduct certain rules to follow.

**Speaking Time:** Agenda items may be added or removed by the board but initially at least two times are devoted to Public Input. Generally, however, attendees wishing to speak will be informed how long they may speak by the chairman. All speakers are asked to give their name, residence and topic they wish to address. This and the statements/comments will be entered into the public record (minutes of the meeting). Should there be a number of speakers wishing to voice similar opinions, an option for a longer presentation may be more appropriate for the group and one or more speakers may talk within that time frame.

Group Presentations – 15 minutes  
Individual Presentations – 3 minutes

**Board Response:** Generally, as this is an "Input" option, the board will not comment or respond to presenters. Silence or non-response from the board should not be interpreted as disinterest or disagreement by the board. However, should the board individually or collectively wish to address the comments of the speaker(s) at the approval of the Chair and within a time frame previously established, responses may be made by the board. Additionally, the presenter may be in need of a lengthier understanding of an issue or topic and may be referred to a committee appropriate to address those issues.

Public Input is very important in public policy settings and is only one means for an interchange of information or dialogue. Each commissioner represents a district within the county and he/she may be individually contacted should greater depth or understanding of an issue be sought. Personal contact is encouraged and helpful to both residents and the board.

### Commissioner Contacts:

District I – Bob Roelofs (Almira East of Reynolds Road).....	231-645-1187
District II - Art Jeannot (Almira Twp West of Reynolds Road, Platte and Lake Townships) .....	231-920-5028
District III – Linda Farrell (Crystal Lake, Frankfort) .....	231-882-6620
District IV - Coury Carland (Benzonia).....	231-930-7560
District V – Sherry Taylor (Homestead).....	231-882-5452
District VI - Evan Warsecke (Colfax, Inland) .....	231-275-3375
District VII - Gary Sauer (Blaine, Gilmore, Joyfield, Weldon) .....	231-651-0647

**Dawn Olney**

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**From:** Dawn Olney  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 10:10 AM  
**To:** 'Richard D. Jenkins'  
**Subject:** RE: Benzie County Board of Commissioners vacancy

Thank you, Mr. Jenkins.  
I will be in touch next week to get you scheduled for an interview before the BOC.

*Dawn Olney*

*Dawn Olney, CCO  
Benzie County Clerk  
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Beulah, MI 49617  
231-882-9671 Ext. 411*

**From:** Richard D. Jenkins <rjenkins2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 10:08 AM  
**To:** Dawn Olney <DOlney@benzieco.net>  
**Subject:** Benzie County Board of Commissioners vacancy

February 21, 2019

Benzie County Board of Commissioners  
448 Court Place  
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Greetings,

In regards to the resignation of Cory Carland from the Benzie County Board of Commissioners, I would like to submit my name for consideration in filling the vacant position.  
I live in District IV of Benzie County, am a registered voter and have experience in municipal matters. I served on the Frankfort City Council for four years, two as an appointed councilperson, and two as elected. I performed all duties of the position, and believe I was an asset to the city. Please check with Josh Mills for a verification of my role as a councilperson.  
I am retired, but work part time at the True Value Hardware at Shop N Save. My schedule is flexible, so there are no conflicts due to availability.  
Diana Heller, the Benzonia Twp. clerk, is my neighbor and also my landlord, and she can attest to my dependability.

My address and phone is:  
Richard D. Jenkins  
781 Eden Hill Road  
Beulah, MI

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DAWN OLNEY  
BENZIE COUNTY CLERK  
BEULAH, MI 49617

Cell phone: 231-510-8991  
Email: [rjenkins2@gmail.com](mailto:rjenkins2@gmail.com)

Thank you for your consideration,

Richard "Dick" Jenkins

Rhonda Nye  
6515 South Street  
Benzonia, MI. 49616

Benzie County Commissioners  
448 Court Place  
Beulah, MI. 49617

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Rhonda Nye and I would like to express my interest in the District IV County Commissioner seat being vacated by Coury Carland.

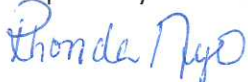
I moved to Benzie County in 1979 when my parents purchased the Crystal Lake Resort and here began my understanding of tourism as paramount to our community's economic health. I graduated from Benzie Central in 1986, having worked all four years at Money's Platte River Inn. My husband and I met in high school and married in college. I graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and Ken and I will celebrate 30 years of marriage this year. We have four children, all raised in Benzie County and very active during high school both athletically and academically; it was my privilege to support them through those years. Currently, all four of our children either attend or have graduated from the University of Michigan and as of last September I find myself an empty nester.

My husband and I have built four houses in District IV, own long-term rental properties, are Airbnb hosts, and are part of a family owned plumbing and heating business in the community for 47 years. In addition, I have been the Clerk for the Village of Benzonia for the last ten years. We are members of the Blaine Christian Church and I have volunteered for the Kid's Hope Program at Betsie Valley Elementary School four of the last five years.

As a homesteaded and non-homesteaded taxpayer, small business owner, and an employee of a municipality, I feel I bring a well-rounded perspective to considering broad issues at the County level. I think all decisions should be dealt with according to common sense, fiscal conservatism, bi-partisan cooperation, and what's in the best interest of the Benzie County taxpayer. I would welcome the opportunity to have a positive impact on issues ranging from protecting our natural resources, the opioid crisis, job creation, low income housing, and efforts to support our mature residents while promoting our County as a place to raise young families. I am a strong believer in the idea of 'living within one's means' and would take this approach in addressing complicated issues surrounding the financial health of our County.

I would be honored to serve as a Benzie County Commissioner and, if appointed, would give my best effort to be an approachable, accountable, and effective representative for the District IV taxpayers and Benzie County as a whole. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rhonda Nye

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Karen Remington  
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March 3, 2019

Dawn Olney, Clerk  
Benzie County Government Center  
448 Court Pl  
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Dear Dawn,

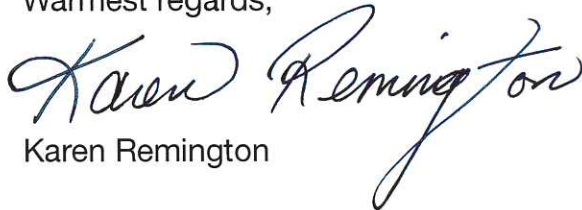
At the urging of my friend and neighbor, Chris Kitzman, I am submitting this letter and resumé in an application to serve as a Democrat on the Benzie County Commission.

I served my community for ten years running the Wild Rose Society, an organization which sponsored three concerts a year in various churches in the county. The proceeds from the free-will offerings were used as scholarships for Benzie and Frankfort high school students to further their music studies at summer music camps.

Chris forwarded Jim Dulzo's letter, the substance of which intrigued me, because this is an opportunity for me to re-engage in the community in a different capacity.

Any consideration would be appreciated.

Warmest regards,

  
Karen Remington

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BENZIE COUNTY CLERK  
BEULAH, MI 49617

**KAREN M. REMINGTON**  
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8515 TIMBER LN  
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## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

**Traverse Tax & Accounting, Inc., Traverse City, MI** **2015 – present**  
Support staff for 3 accountants every February through mid-April

**Weishaar & Company, CPAs, PC, Beulah, MI** **2004 – 2014**  
Support staff for 3 CPAs

**Interlochen Center for the Arts, Interlochen, MI** **1993 – 2003**  
Box Office Manager 1994 -2003 (hire, train & supervise 6-10 employees per year)  
Human Resources Secretary 1993 – 1994

**Hospital Laundry Services Inc., Chicago, IL** **1989 – 1993**  
**A non-profit, cooperative hospital laundry serving 50 facilities**  
Customer Service Manager (trained and supervised 2 employees)  
- Establish public relations with hospital personnel at various administrative levels  
- Achieve high company visibility, improved product line  
- Train hospital staff in methods of linen inventory control

**Viktor Kramer Co & United Healthserv Inc., Chicago, IL** **1987 – 1989**  
Companies providing support management services to hospitals  
Assistant General Manager of Northwestern Memorial Hospital Laundry  
- Duties same as above plus linen purchasing.

**Aid to Hospitals, Rochester NY** **1983 – 1987**  
**A non-profit, cooperative hospital laundry serving 10 facilities**  
Customer Service & Linen Purchasing Manager  
- Same as above plus managed 1 million dollar annual linen replacement budget

**University of Rochester Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, NY** **1980 – 1983**  
Patient Unit Manager, evening shift 1981 - 1983  
- Supervised 18 unit secretaries and housekeepers on 9 patient units  
Patient Unit Secretary 1980 - 1981  
- Transcribed doctors orders, initiate proper requisitions, order supplies & equipment

## **SKILLS**

- Detail-oriented, deadline conscious
- Self-motivated...can work alone, with a team or at home
- Proficient typist, data entry
- Proficient writer & proof-reader
- Familiar with Microsoft Office, MAC Numbers & Pages
- Freelance church soloist

# FAX

Date: 03-06-2019

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**TO:**

Name: *Dawn Olney, Clerk*  
Fax Number: *231 002 5941*

**FROM:**

Name: *Alan L. Rose*  
Contact Number: *231 451 0566*

**Subject:** *Letter of Interest*  Urgent  Please Reply

**Message:**

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MAR 06 2019  
DAWN OLNEY  
BENZIE COUNTY CLERK  
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**Alan L. Rose**

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Email: ~~arose97@hotmail.com~~

**Dawn Olney  
Benzie County Clerk  
448 Court Place  
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Dear Ms. Olney:

I, Alan Rose, am interested in the position of County Commissioner - District IV. I am a life long Benzie County resident and a volunteer Fire Fighter/EMT-B with the Benzonia Township Fire Department.

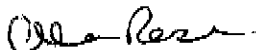
I love Benzie County and seek to improve the county by putting the needs of the residents first and foremost. Besides my role with the Fire Department, I am a licensed contractor for over 15 years and have developed some wonderful relationships with the residents and also governmental officials throughout the county.

I understand how important this role is and seek to do the best job I can do. Once again, my goal is to put the counties' interest first rather than putting my personal agenda in place.

I would welcome the opportunity for a personal interview so that we could discuss the top-priority needs of Benzonia Township and the performance you can expect from me in addressing those needs.

Thank you for your time and consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Alan L. Rose

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- Job Objective:** To obtain a County Commission – District IV position with Benzonia Township where my knowledge and experience will be of value to your organization.
- Focus:**
- \*Proactive leader with the expertise to trouble shoot, initiate changes, and implement quality improvement processes while maintaining a positive, safe, and productive environment.
  - \*Creativity, determination, and ability to work independently without direction. \*Uncommon ability to make decisions and take prompt and effective action in emergency situations. \*Maintain a high energy level and a strong stamina required for lifting heavy loads and working long hours under inclement conditions.
  - \*Excellent ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships as necessitated by work assignments. \*Responds to special requests, and resolves problems directly and through appropriate channels.
- Technical Knowledge:**
- \*Profound skills in the use of firearms.
  - \* Proficient in all aspects of residential construction as well as knowledge of various hand tools, carpentry tools, power tools, meters, paint sprayer, jack hammer, ditch witch, and fork lift, among others.
  - \* Tree trimming & removal for power line clearance.
  - \* Safely operate chain saw, tree chipper, stump grinder, and bucket truck.
  - \* Computer skills, customer service, and telephone skills.
  - \* CDL Class B Licensure with excellent driving record.
  - \* Interviewing clients, answering inquiries and complaints appropriately.
  - \* Maintaining inventory and supplies.
- Ely Construction Company, Beulah, MI. Jan. 2016-Present. Carpenter. Residential building, renovations, kitchens, bathrooms, additions and remodeling.**
- AJ's Excavating, Beulah MI. July 2015-Jan. 2016. General labor position. All aspects of excavation, machine operation, truck driving, site prep and demolition. Tree trimming and removal.**
- Benzle County Sheriff's Department, Beulah, MI. Feb. 2015-July 2015. Corrections Officer. Booking inmates in & out of jail, Lock down procedures, hourly rounds, search & seizure, transport inmates to other correctional facilities & court, performed fingerprinting & drug testing.**

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### **Employment History Continued:**

**Link Construction Company, Honor MI. April 1995-Feb. 2015** Obtained Residential Builder/Contractor Licensure; overall site organization, layout, & safety, procurement of miscellaneous materials, coordinate employees and sub contractors

**TUX Enterprises, Buckley, MI. June 1993-April 1995.** General Labor position setting modular homes.

**Asplundh, Mount Pleasant, MI. September 1991-June 1993.** B Climber/Foreman; Sub contract crew for Traverse City Light & Power, worked around energized power lines; tree trimming and removal, and obtained CDL Class B Licensure.

### **Education:**

**Corrections Training Program- May 2015**

**PPCT Defensive Tactics Basic Certification-May 2015**

**PPCT Spontaneous Knife Defense (SKD) Basic Certification-May 2015**

**PPCT Ground Avoidance Ground Escape (GAGE) Basic Certification-May 2015**

**Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium: AWR 209 Dealing with the Media; A Short Course for Rural First Responders- September 2014**

**Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) Licensure - May 2014**

**Practical Ice Rescue Technician Level - April 2014**

**Fire Fighter I & II Training - May 2011**

**HazMat First Responder - Operations - April 2011**

**Advanced Vehicle Stabilization - March 2011**

**Vehicle Extrication - March 2011**

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### Education Continued:

#### Wildland Fire Suppression Training

L100—Introduction to ICS - June 2010  
L180—Human Factors on the Fireline - June 2010  
S130—Firefighter Training - July 2010  
S190—Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior - June 2010

#### National Incident Management System (NIMS) — Independent Study Program

ICS 400—Advanced ICS command and General Staff Complex Incidents. Feb. 2015  
IS-00029—Public Informational Officer Awareness. March 2014  
IS-00242.a—Effective Communication. March 2014  
IS-00100.LEb—Introduction to the Incident Command System for Law Enforcement. Jan. 2011  
IS-00100.SCa—Introduction to the Incident Command System for School. Jan. 2011  
IS-00800.b—National Response Framework, An Introduction. Dec. 2010  
IS-00200.a & IS-00200.b—Incident Command System (ICS) for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents. Nov. 2010  
IS-00100.a & IS-00100.b—Introduction to Incident Command System. Nov. 2010  
IS-00700.a—National Incident Management System, An Introduction. June 2010

Under Graduate Studies - Baker College, Cadillac, MI. Fire Science Program

Graduate - Benzie County Central School, Benzonia, MI. 1988