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Proceedings
Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 21, 2023

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. in the Circuit courtroom. At the call to order the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed all Commissioners present.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried to approve the minutes of the 10/17/2023 regular meeting minutes.

Public comment: James Sharkey asked what happened to the siren from the airport and spoke on alcohol at the township building.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the agenda as presented.

Jerald Wuorenmaa, WUPPDR, gave an update on EGLE's upcoming materials management planning requirements.

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the FY 2024 ORV grant in the amount of \$15,000.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the Land Bank's Blight Elimination Program Round 4 grant application, letter of support and the following resolution:

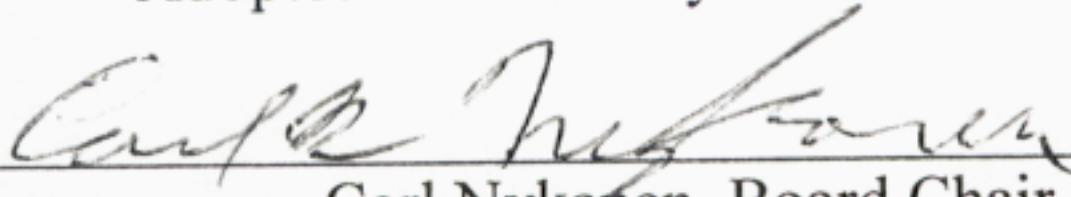
Resolution 2023-20
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION FOR THE
BLIGHT ELIMINATION PROGRAM GRANT ROUND 4
WITH THE STATE LAND BANK AUTHORITY
BY
THE ONTONAGON COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Ontonagon County Land Bank Authority proposes to abate and demolish blighted properties in Ontonagon Count; and

WHEREAS, A county must submit a proposal to the State Land Bank Authority (SLBA) for the Blight Elimination Program in order to receive the funds that the SLBA allocates for projects in counties with land banks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners authorizes Michele E. Smith, the Ontonagon County Land Bank Authority Chair, to submit a proposal to the State Land Bank Authority for the Blight Elimination Grant Round 4.

Adopted this 21st day of November 2023


 Carl Nykanen, Board Chair
 Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the EAP agreement with Great Lakes Recovery Centers for a cost of \$841.00.

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2024 County Park fees as presented by the park committee.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the updated park rules as presented by the park committee.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to appoint Commissioner Nousiainen to the WUPPDR Board with Commissioner Store as an alternate.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the tentative agreement with the Courthouse/Transit & Probate Court AFSCME unions.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve the 2024 Legal Self Help Center grant application in the amount of \$5,000.

By motion of Cane supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #2023-19

TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL EXEMPTION OPTION AS SET FORTH IN THE 2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT

WHEREAS, 2011 Public Act 152 (the "Act") was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act;

WHEREAS, the three options are as follows:

- 1) Section 3 – "Hard Caps" Option – limits a public employer's total annual health care costs for employees based on coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
- 2) Section 4 – "80%/20% Option – limits a public employer's share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the government body;
- 3) Section 8 – "Exemption" Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act by annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

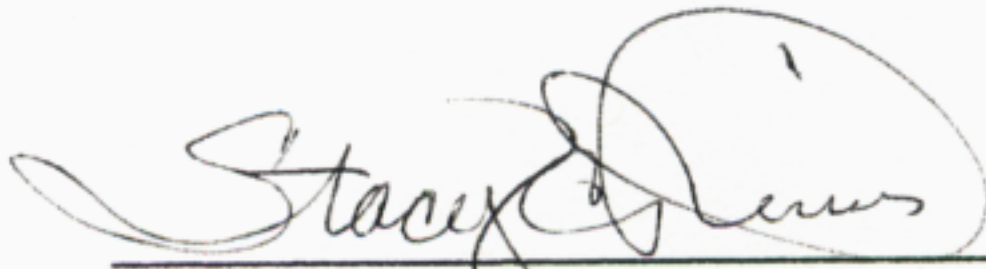
WHEREAS, the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners has decided to adopt the annual Exemption option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners elects to comply with the requirements of 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, by adopting the annual Exemption option for the medical benefit plan coverage for calendar year 2024.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes:
 Nays:
 Absent:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED


 Stacy C. Preiss, Ontonagon County Clerk

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2023 Christmas bonus as a \$50 gift certificate from county restaurants for all permanent county employees.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally hire Bruce Seid as the airport maintenance person.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to adopt the following year end BA:

ONTONAGON COUNTY BUDGET
AMENDMENT REQUEST

NO. 2023-34

FUND NAME - Land Bank Authority Fund

Account Name	Account Number	Revenues Increase (Decrease)	Expenditures and Fund Balance Increase (Decrease)
GENERAL FUND			
ARPA FUNDS	101 000-528.000	6,886	
Transfer out to Land Bank Fund	101 965-999.009		6,886
LAND BANK AUTHORITY FUND			
Interfund Trans In	251 000-699.000	6,886	
Contractual Services	251 733-801.000		6,886

TOTAL
EXPLANATION

To increase spending authorization in various activities _____

Requested By: Stacy C. Preiss
Title: County Clerk
Date: Sept 30, 2023

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve overnight travel for Stacy Preiss to attend UP Clerk's and election training in Marquette.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried to upgrade the Juvenile Officer position to a Probate/District Court Probation Department Head position effective December 1, 2023.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2024 Remonumentation grant agreement in the amount of \$75,444.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the invoice from Timberline Land Surveying in the amount of \$9,000.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve payment of the following:

(101) General Fund \$51,581.28, (210) SONCO \$87,500.00, (211) OCAP Fund \$0.00, (215) FOC Fund \$0.00, (256) ROD Automation Fund \$750.00, (257) Veteran's Van Fund \$0.00, (259) CAA Fund \$0.00, (260) Indigent Defense Fund \$0.00, (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,213.71, (263) CPL Fund \$42.20 (269) Law Library Fund \$2,225.38, (280) Senior Citizens Fund \$51,477.00 (288) Public Transit Fund \$9,410.86, (292) PCCF \$123.99 & (525) Foreclosure Fund \$500.00 totaling \$205,824.42.

Prepaid bills from 10/12/2023 – 11/15/2023 (101) General Fund \$113,521.28, (251) Land Bank Fund \$8,711.25, (260) MIDC Fund \$7,723.15, (261) 911 Service Fund \$0.00, (263) CPL Fund \$0.00, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund \$0.00, (269) Law Library Fund \$1,845.24, (271) Library Board Fund \$0.00 (288) Transit Fund \$32,628.57 (292) PCCF \$104.44, (296) VSO Fund \$0.00, (525) Foreclosure Fund \$6,358.92. Total prepaids \$170,892.85.

Payroll periods ending 10/13/2023, 10/27/2023 & 11/10/2023 (101) General Fund \$223,174.14, (260) MIDC Fund \$551.61, (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,996.58 (288) Transit Fund \$39,194.81, (292) PCCF \$2,212.38. Total payroll \$268,129.52.

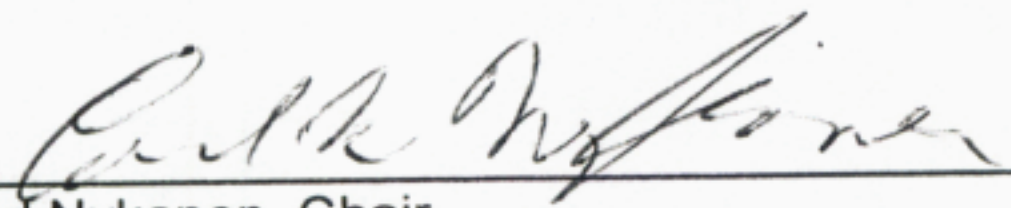
Committee reports
Department Head reports
Other business:

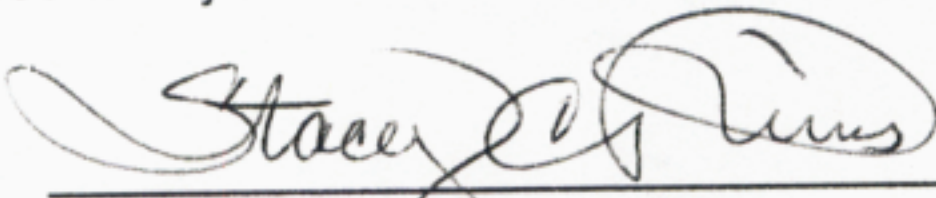
By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to release the appropriation in the amount of \$15,000 to the EDC.

Agenda requests: none

Public comment: Gerald Wuorenmaa spoke on the significance of the Polaris electric chargers in the county.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 4:57 p.m.


Carl Nykanen, Chair


Stacy C. Preiss, County Clerk

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Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 19, 2023

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. in the Circuit courtroom. At the call to order the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed all Commissioners present.

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried to approve the minutes of the 11/21/2023 regular meeting minutes with 2 minor corrections.

Public comment: Marlene Broemer questioned the park fees.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the agenda with the following additions: 17a) Airport invoice & 17b) Sheriff Dept union agreement.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to revise the 2024 County Park fees.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to purchase a storage/office building from Marengo Valley Sheds, LLC in the amount of \$17,204.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve payment to Hannula Insurance for county's annual par plan in the amount of \$70,821.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2024 PA2 Funds agreement with NorthCare Network in the amount of \$20,437.50.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the updated park rules as presented by the park committee.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2024 agreement with Colligo GIS for web-based GIS Hosting in the amount of \$3,500 and authorize EQ Director to sign.