

Proceedings
Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 19, 2024

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 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 Bourdeau and carried to approve the minutes of the 02/20/2024 regular meeting with one correction.

Public comment: Marlene Broemer thanked Commissioner Cane for his work on the ad hoc committee for the Aspirus hospital/ER. Pat Kitzman spoke regarding assessing of property and changing laws.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the agenda with the additions 10a) Keweenaw door proposal for transit garage doors.

Prosecutor Findlay announced that he is running for Probate Judge. He thanked the board for their support during his tenure as Prosecuting Attorney.

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

**Ontonagon County
RESOLUTION #2024-04**

**Establishment of County Approval Agency, Multi-County Approach, and Designated Planning Agency for
Materials Management Planning under Part 115, Public Act 451 of 1994, As Amended**

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan, with the intent to modernize the Solid Waste Management statute, has enacted amendments to Part 115, Public Act 451 of 1994 ("Part 115"), which, among other components, will require development of county materials management plans ("MMP"); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy ("EGLE") issued a call for MMPs effective January 8, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires that, within 180 days of the call for MMPs, each county board of commissioners ("county board") for a county with a population of less than 250,000 conduct several actions, the first of which is to submit to EGLE a notice of intent indicating whether the county board will prepare a MMP and act as county approval agency ("CAA"); and

WHEREAS, if the county board opts to prepare a MMP and act as CAA, Part 115 requires that the county board consult with each of its adjacent counties regarding the option of preparing a multicounty MMP pursuant to the urban cooperation act, Public Act 7 of 1967, and that the county board provide to EGLE documentation of both this consultation and the outcome of the consultations; and

WHEREAS, Ontonagon County Board has consulted with adjacent counties through multiple mechanisms, including engagement with other counties' governing officials facilitated by the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region Commission ("WUPPDR"); and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires that, if the county board opts to become part of a multicounty MMP, the county board provide to EGLE a copy of an interlocal agreement identifying the process for creating a multicounty MMP; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires that, if the county board opts to prepare a MMP and act as CAA, the county board designate a planning agency ("DPA") and an individual within the DPA who shall serve as the DPA's contact person for the purpose of Part 115; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires additional actions before preparation of a MMP can proceed, including but not limited to appointment of a planning committee, oversight of creation and implementation of the DPA's work program, and various submittals and public notices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that all of the following:

Ontonagon County's CAA is the Ontonagon County Board. Ontonagon County intends to prepare a multicounty MMP in conjunction with Baraga, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron and Keweenaw counties. Ontonagon County's DPA is WUPPDR, with its executive director, currently Jerald Wuorenmaa, as the contact person. Ontonagon County Board intends to enter into a multicounty interlocal agreement as soon as practicable. Ontonagon County Board's official authorized to submit the Notice of Intent is Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair. Ontonagon County Board will meet other requirements of Part 115 as needed at appropriate times.

Motion offered at a regular meeting of the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners, Tuesday, March 19, 2024 by Commissioner Bourdeau supported by Commissioner Store.

AYES: Bourdeau, Store, Cane, Nousiainen & Nykanen

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

 Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair
 Ontonagon County

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the increase of 25% for WUPPDR annual dues.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the purchase of a long block engine from Big Valley for the cost of \$5,523.83 after the core is returned.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to authorize the Transit Director to advertise for sealed bids for a Boss V-plow.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the quote in the amount of \$24,472 from Keweenaw Overhead to install 2 large garage doors and openers at the Transit.

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

ONTONAGON COUNTY BUDGET
 AMENDMENT REQUEST

NO. 2024-01

FUND NAME - General Fund

Account Name	Account Number	Revenues Increase (Decrease)	Expenditures and Fund Balance Increase (Decrease)
COVID/CARES	101 000-528.000	\$125,566.16	
EQ - Service Contracts	101 258-808.000		\$41,058.02
Courthouse - Building Repair/Maint	101 265-932.000		\$18,403.11
Courthouse - Grounds Care/Maint	101 265-936.000		\$5,500.00
Sheriff Dept Vehicle	101 301-980.000		\$23,241.14
Jail - Building Repair/Maint	101 351-932.000		\$37,363.89

TOTAL

EXPLANATION:

To increase spending authorization in various activities with ARPA Funds spent from 10/01/2023 - 02/29/2024

Requested By: Stacy C. Preiss
 Title: Chief Adm Officer
 Date: March 4, 2024

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the overnight travel request of Stacy Preiss to attend the UP-Clerk's meeting in Marquette for a cost of \$244.50.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency's request to renew their millage of .30 mils for 4 years, 2025-2028.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve extending the Separate Tax Limitation renewal of 7.84 mils for 4 years, 2025-2028. (6.52 mils County, 1 mil each township & .32 mil ISD)

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the proposal from Timberline Land Surveying to monument 11 corners for a cost of \$1,800 a corner.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to send a letter of opposition to Aspirus Inc., regarding closing the acute care and ER.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to adopt the Uniform Guidance Policies & Procedures for Federal Awards.

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the park managers agreement with John Wilmes for the 2024 camping season.

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 \$77,693.22, (210) SONCO \$0.00, (211) OCAP Fund \$0.00, (215) FOC Fund \$0.00, (256) ROD Automation Fund \$565.00, (257) Veteran's Van Fund \$0.00, (259) CAA Fund \$0.00, (260) Indigent Defense Fund \$0.00, (261) 911 Service Fund \$526.62, (263) CPL Fund \$75.21 (269) Law Library Fund \$1,108.38, (280) Senior Citizens Fund \$0.00, (288) Public Transit Fund \$7,835.61, (292) PCCF \$92.91 & (525) Foreclosure Fund \$0.00 totaling \$87,896.95.

Prepaid bills from 02/15/2024 – 03/13/2024 (101) General Fund \$89,121.59, (251) Land Bank Fund \$0.00, (253) 911 Equipment Fund \$10,000.00, (260) MIDC Fund \$6,156.34, (261) 911 Service Fund \$865.53, (263) CPL Fund \$0.0, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund \$0.00, (269) Law Library Fund \$0.00, (271) Library Board Fund \$0.00, (288) Transit Fund \$191,580.81 (292) PCCF \$44.59, (296) VSO Fund \$12,845.00, (525) Foreclosure Fund \$1,135.06. Total prepaids \$311,748.92.

Payroll periods ending 02/16/2024 & 03/07/2024 (101) General Fund \$161,306.79, (260) MIDC Fund \$324.90 (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,233.92, (288) Transit Fund \$27,501.41, (292) PCCF \$1,475.20. Total payroll \$192,842.22.

- Committee reports
- Department Head reports
- Other business:

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to include county commissioners in the Anytime Fitness reimbursement program.

- Agenda requests: none
- Public comment: None.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 4:35 p.m.

Carl R. Nykanen, Chair

Stacy C. Preiss County Clerk

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