

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried to appoint Al Warren and Donald Chastan to the Landbank Board for 3-year terms to expire in June 2027.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried on a 3-0 roll call vote to approve opting out of the designated assessor as presented by the Equalization Director and authorize commissioners to sign.

By motion of Store supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 3-0 roll call vote to approve the quote from AXON for 7 tasers in the amount of \$13,004.32.

By motion of Store supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 3-0 roll call vote to approve payment of the following:

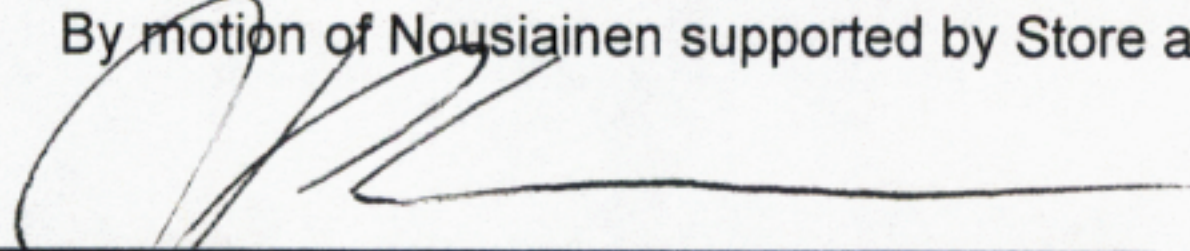
(101) General Fund \$59,919.50, (210) SONCO \$0.00, (211) OCAP Fund \$0.00, (215) FOC Fund \$0.00, (251) Land Bank Fund \$250.00 (256) ROD Automation Fund \$750.00, (257) Veteran's Van Fund \$0.00, (259) CAA Fund \$30,000.00, (260) Indigent Defense Fund \$0.00, (261) 911 Service Fund \$583.12, (263) CPL Fund \$270.89 (269) Law Library Fund \$3,267.38, (280) Senior Citizens Fund \$51,477.00, (288) Public Transit Fund \$11,102.18, (292) PCCF \$795.25 & (525) Foreclosure Fund \$0.00 totaling \$158,415.32.

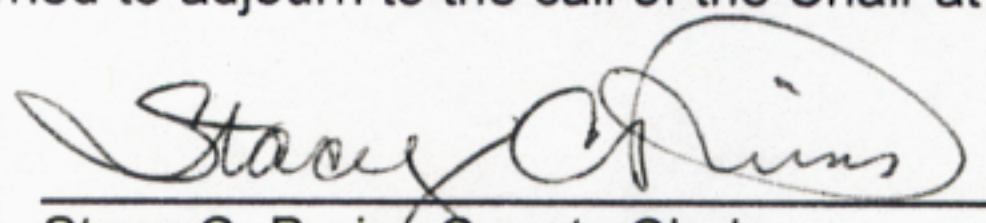
Prepaid bills from 04/11/2024 – 05/15/2024 (101) General Fund \$121,663.79, (251) Land Bank Fund \$0.00, (253) 911 Equipment Fund \$5,000.00, (260) MIDC Fund \$21,771.74, (261) 911 Service Fund \$406.53, (263) CPL Fund \$680.00, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund \$0.00, (269) Law Library Fund \$0.00, (271) Library Board Fund \$0.00, (288) Transit Fund \$34,317.39 (292) PCCF \$322.67, (296) VSO Fund \$0.00, (525) Foreclosure Fund \$2,818.42. Total prepaids \$186,980.54.

Payroll periods ending 04/12/2024, 04/26/2024 & 05/10/2024 (101) General Fund \$210,271.73, (260) MIDC Fund \$583.76 (261) 911 Service Fund \$3,096.67, (288) Transit Fund \$36,713.27, (292) PCCF \$2,003.02. Total payroll \$252,668.45.

- Committee reports
- Department Head reports
- Other business
- Agenda requests: none
- Public comment: Norman Pestka, Marlene Broemer and Rosie Riveter spoke on rural healthcare

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 5:18 p.m.


John Cane, Vice-Chair


Stacy C. Preiss County Clerk

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Proceedings
Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 18, 2024

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 18, 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 Nousiainen supported by Store and carried to approve the minutes of the 05/21/2024 regular meeting.

Public comment: none

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

Darla Lenz, Ottawa National Forest gave an update RAC, Secure Rural Schools and timber sales.

Pat Kitzman, tax assessment procedures.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2024 MOA with MSU in the amount of \$37,500.00.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the PM Power group addendum to extend the project to 06/30/2027.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the WUP MMP Interlocal Agreement and authorize the chair to sign.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the annual maintenance contract with REMC for IT services at the jail for an amount of \$4,040.00 and authorize the Sheriff to sign.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the purchase of 3 iEvac smoke/fire hoods for the jail for the amount of \$553.47.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to keep the 911 surcharge at .51 cents for the July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 time period.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to authorize the sheriff to obtain quotes for another vehicle.

Barb Braithewaite, Victims Services gave an over view of what their group does at the Sheriff's request. Their grant is running out and she asked for county financial support. This will be addressed during budget sessions.

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

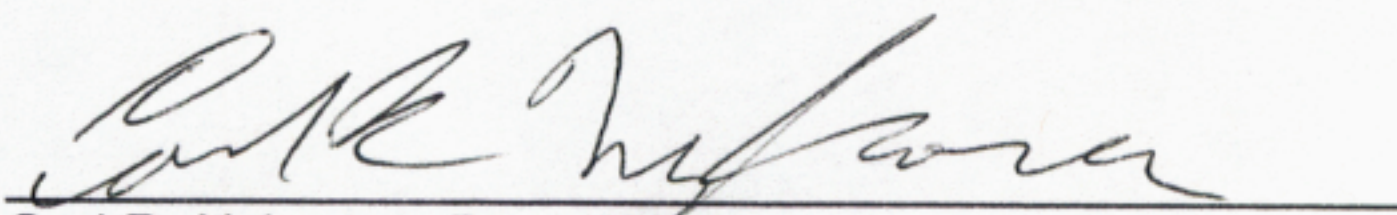
**RESOLUTION 2024-07
SUPPORTING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
FOR RESIDENTS OF THE UPPER PENINSULA**

WHEREAS, the U.P. Association of County Commissioners (UPACC) believes that it is desirable to provide for the future of public transportation available to residents by continuing state support for this purpose; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Constitution of 1963 provides for this purpose; and,

WHEREAS, the State Legislature, by statute, has determined that state support for non-urban transit agencies may be 60% of their annual eligible expenses (50% for urban agencies); and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners supports restoring funding for public transit authorities in Michigan's FY25 budget.



Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair

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

**RESOLUTION 2024-08
SUPPORTING A FUNDING INCREASE FOR
MICHIGAN 2-1-1 AND U.P. 2-1-1 IN FY 2025 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, UPCAP Services, Inc. is the operator of U.P. 2-1-1 in all 15 Upper Peninsula Counties; and,

WHEREAS, U.P. 2-1-1 is a service provided at no cost to Upper Peninsula Michigan residents, and connects them with thousands of health and human services agencies and resources right in their communities - quickly, easily, and confidentially; 24 hours a day, 365 days a year via phone, email, live chat, and online databases; and,

WHEREAS, U.P. 2-1-1 has supported the Upper Peninsula during natural disasters, including regional flooding, power outages, extreme weather conditions and global crises, including providing information about COVID-19 testing and vaccination locations; and

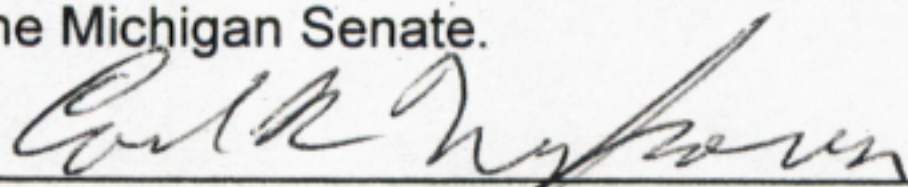
WHEREAS, nearly 13,000 residents in the Upper Peninsula have contacted U.P. 2-1-1 for assistance with housing, tax preparation, job training, utility assistance, food, and other resources in just the last year alone; and

WHEREAS, Michigan 2-1-1 service is an essential part of our human service infrastructure, connecting individuals and families in need with critical assistance in times of crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners requests the Michigan Legislature to support an additional \$7 million in funding for Michigan 2-1-1 in the FY2025 budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners will send a copy of this resolution to all U.P. Counties, U.P. Legislators, Michigan Association of Counties, the majority leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the House and Governor Whitmer;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners requests the Michigan Association of Counties to advocate on behalf of this legislation with the Michigan House of Representatives and the Michigan Senate.



 Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair

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

**RESOLUTION 2024-09
 SUPPORTING MICHIGAN'S PROPOSAL FOR A
 FEDERAL SECTION 1115 RE-ENTRY WAIVER**

WHEREAS, the federal Medicaid Inmate Exclusion Policy does not allow county jail inmates or juvenile detainees to receive Medicaid benefits while incarcerated; and,

WHEREAS, counties are responsible for the healthcare costs of uninsured youth and adult detainees; and,

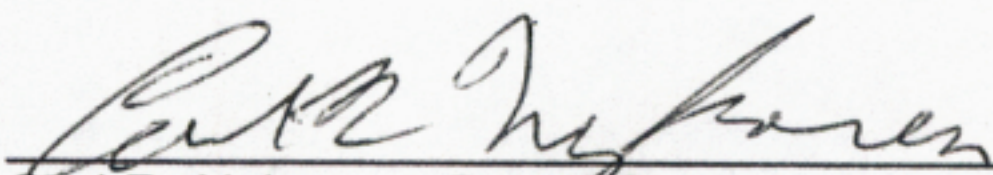
WHEREAS, Governor Whitmer's FY 25 Budget recommendation includes funding to cover healthcare costs for prisoners, county jail inmates, and juveniles in detention for 90 days before release; and,

WHEREAS, we encourage the legislature to support a budget including the aforementioned funding; and,

WHEREAS, we also encourage the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to apply for a Federal Section 1115 Re-entry waiver, exempting Michigan from the Medicaid Inmate Exclusion Policy and allowing Medicaid benefits to be reinstated for inmates; and

WHEREAS, the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners supports action by the legislature and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to provide funding to counties for uninsured inmates and progress toward reforming the Medicaid Inmate Exclusion Policy; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners supports Michigan's proposal for a Federal Section 1115 Re-entry Waiver.



 Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to authorize the Transit Director to advertise the old lawnmower for bids as is.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve payment to Kweenaw Overhead for the garage doors at the transit for a cost of \$24,472.00.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the cash advance for Renee Pantti to attend Property Tax Administration class in Okemos for a cost of \$852.60.

By motion of Cane supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the overnight travel request from Stacy Preiss to attend the Michigan Assoc of County Clerk's annual summer conference in Escanaba for a cost of \$526.00.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve the purchase of a tractor and accessories for the airport for a cost of \$170,251.55 with the 5% county share of \$7,017.38.

By motion of Cane supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the County's L-4046 taxable values.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2024 L-4029 and authorize the chair and clerk to sign.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the quote from the Window Store to replace 50 windows at the jail for a cost of \$59,399.96 and replace 2 doors for a cost of \$11,508.00.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to set the budget sessions for: July 11 @ 9:00 a.m. and July 30, August 15 & 29 and Sept 10 at 2:00.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the proposal from Timberline Land Surveying for 11 corners in the amount of \$19,800.00.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to appoint Sharon Haarala, republican to the board of canvass to fill in for Deb Miles who is on the ballot.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the L 4029 and authorize the levy of the summer taxes.

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 \$44,541.53, (210) SONCO \$0.00, (211) OCAP Fund \$0.00, (215) FOC Fund \$0.00, (251) Land Bank Fund \$0.00 (256) ROD Automation Fund \$750.00, (257) Veteran's Van Fund \$0.00, (259) CAA Fund \$30,000.00, (260) Indigent Defense Fund \$0.00, (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,997.03, (263) CPL Fund \$74.99 (269) Law Library Fund \$1,108.38, (280) Senior Citizens Fund \$0.00, (288) Public Transit Fund \$5,648.59, (292) PCCF \$28.20 & (525) Foreclosure Fund \$0.00 totaling \$85,148.72.

Prepaid bills from 05/16/2024 – 06/12/2024 (101) General Fund \$104,741.33, (251) Land Bank Fund \$0.00, (253) 911 Equipment Fund \$5,000.00, (260) MIDC Fund \$10,551.50, (261) 911 Service Fund \$406.53, (263) CPL Fund \$0.00, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund \$0.00, (269) Law Library Fund \$0.00, (271) Library Board Fund \$0.00, (288) Transit Fund \$41,668.71 (292) PCCF \$102.00, (296) VSO Fund \$0.00, (525) Foreclosure Fund \$747.50. Total prepaids \$158,217.57.

Payroll periods ending 05/24/2024, & 06/07/2024 (101) General Fund \$146,780.36, (260) MIDC Fund \$303.24 (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,233.92, (288) Transit Fund \$26,123.68, (292) PCCF \$1,475.20. Total payroll \$176,916.40.

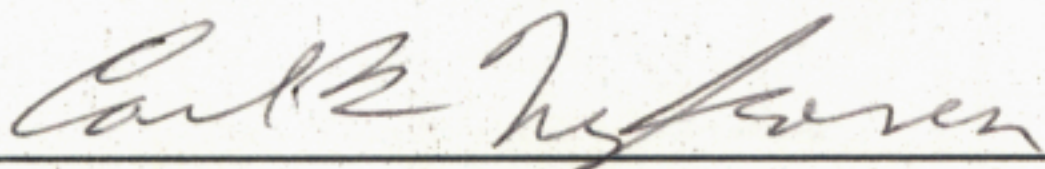
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By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to form a working group focused on finding and implementing effective healthcare solutions for Ontonagon County with no financial obligation to the County of Ontonagon.

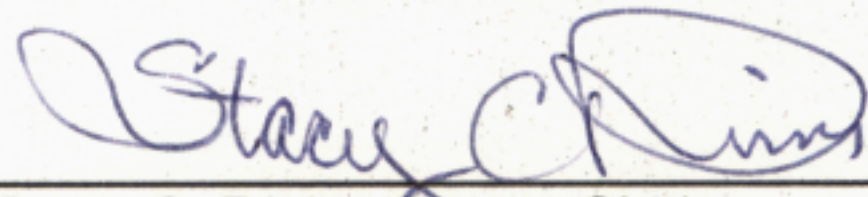
Agenda requests: none

Public comment: none

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Nousiainen and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 5:02 p.m.



Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair



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