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Proceedings
Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 17, 2025

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 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 Nousiainen and carried to approve the minutes of the 05/20/2025 regular meeting.

Public comment: Marlene Broemer expressed her support for Res 2025-04.

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

Barbara Braithwaite gave an update on the Victim Service Program.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to formally approve the 25% match for FY 2025 Marine grant fund.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve undersheriff's request to participate in a 60 free trial of license plate reader cameras that may be available thru the Stonegarden grant.

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the Remonumentation proposal from Timberline Land Surveying in the amount of \$19,800 for 11 corners in Bergland.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the county's L-4029 to levy summer and winter taxes.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the county's 2025 L-4046 taxable values.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the 2025 L-4029's and authorize the summer tax levy.

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

ONTONAGON COUNTY BUDGET
AMENDMENT REQUEST

NO. 2025-03

FUND NAME - General Fund		Revenues	Expenditures
		Increase	and
		(Decrease)	Fund Balance
Account Name	Account Number		Increase
			(Decrease)
COVID/CARES	101 000-528.000	\$61,958.55	
Courthouse - Building repair/maint	101 265-932.000		\$61,958.55

TOTAL

\$0.00

\$0.00

EXPLANATION:

To increase spending authorization in various activities with ARPA Funds spent from 04/01/25 - 05/31/2025 which were obligated at 12/31/2024

Requested By: Stacy C. Preiss
Title: Chief Adm Officer
Date: June 3, 2025

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve the purchase of a laptop for Prosecutor Perhalla in the amount of \$1,491.38

By motion of Cane supported by Bourdeau and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to set the following special budget session meeting dates: July 17th, August 7th & 14th, September 4th & 9th at 1:30 p.m. in the circuit courtroom.

By motion of Nousiainen supported by Cane and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote to approve overnight travel for Stacy Preiss and Haley Rasmussen to attend the MACC summer conference for a cost of \$1,790.79.

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

RESOLUTION #2025-04

URGING ACTION TO OPPOSE PROPOSED CUTS TO MEDICAID BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners recognizes that Michigan's public mental health system is facing a serious and escalating funding crisis, driven by several compounding factors, including the loss of Medicaid-covered lives, inflationary pressures, increasing demand for services, and expanding regulatory burdens; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan public mental health system funding increases for core behavioral health and intellectual/developmental disability services have not kept pace with medical inflation and have in fact, recognized flat funding for the last five years, while medical inflation has increased by over 10% and Medicaid expenses have increased by nearly 25%; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has lost nearly 700,000 Medicaid beneficiaries since the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE), resulting in reduced capitation payments to CMHSPs despite continued or increasing demand for mental health services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed cuts to Medicaid would force impossible choices including—shrinking access to care, shifting costs onto the state budget and to local providers and threatening the coverage of people with disabilities who require daily support; and

WHEREAS, additional factors exacerbating this crisis include skyrocketing inpatient psychiatric and residential costs, AND Misclassification of Medicaid eligibility groups resulting in lost revenue; and

WHEREAS, failure to adequately fund the public behavioral health system undermines the ability of CMHSPs and the State of Michigan to meet the needs of the most vulnerable residents—including children, adults with serious mental illness, individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and those with substance use disorders;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners urgently calls on the United States Legislature, and the President to:

1. **Fully allocate Medicaid behavioral health funds to the State of Michigan** in fiscal year 2025 and beyond.
2. Forego propose reductions to Medicaid through; Shifting to block grants, Per Capita Caps, reducing Medicaid expansion, or other suggested means of reducing the federal share for Medicaid spending which would transfer the financial burden to the state of Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to local and state members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the U.S. legislature and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Motion offered at a regular meeting of the Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners, June 17, 2025 by Commissioner Nousiainen supported by Commissioner Bourdeau.

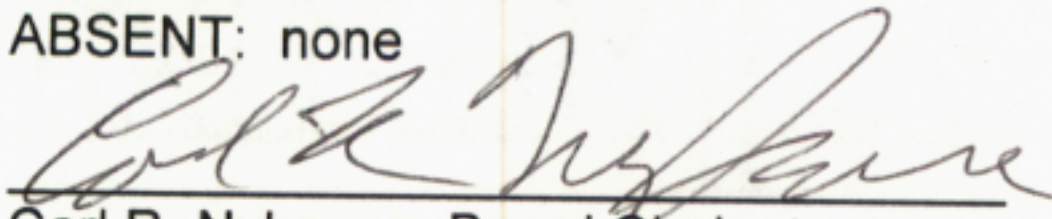
AYES: Nousiainen, Bourdeau, Store, Cane & Nykanen

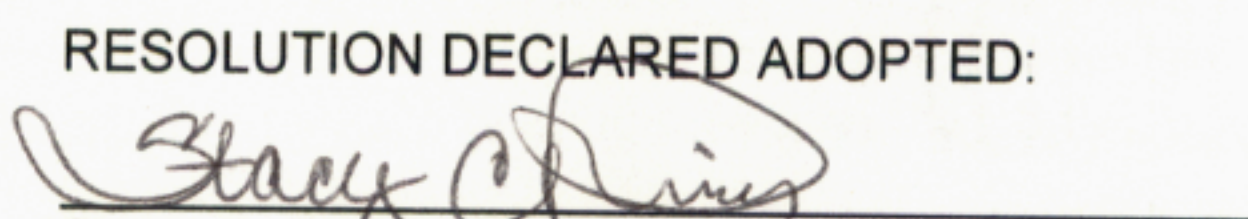
NAYES: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

ABSENT: none

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED:


Carl R. Nykanen, Board Chair


Stacy C. Preiss, County Clerk

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Store to approve payment of the bills and PR as presented:

(101) General Fund \$76,004.37, (210) SONCO \$262,420.41, (211) OCAP Fund \$0.00, (251) Land Bank Fund \$0.00, (256) ROD Automation Fund \$685.00, (257) Veteran's Van Fund \$0.00, (259) CAA Fund \$0.00, (260) Indigent Defense Fund \$0.00, (261) 911 Service Fund \$3,221.76, (263) CPL Fund \$336.52, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund \$0.00, (269) Law Library Fund \$1208.13, (280) Senior Citizens Fund \$0.00 (288) Public Transit Fund \$4,915.20, (292) PCCF \$155.85, (296) Veterans Service Grant Fund \$0.00 & (525) Foreclosure Fund \$0.00 totaling \$348,947.24.

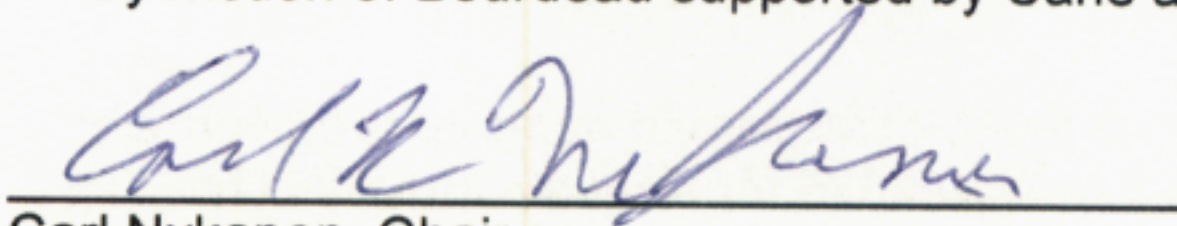
Prepaid bills from 05/15/2025 – 06/11/2025 (101) General Fund \$60,539.94, Land Bank Fund \$10,000.00, (256) ROD Automation Fund \$0.00, (260) MIDC Fund \$15,281.40, (261) 911 Service Fund \$566.76, (263) CPL Fund \$0.00, (264) Corrections Officer Training Fund \$0.00, (269) Law Library Fund \$0.00, (271) Library Board Fund \$0.00 (288) Transit Fund \$12,235.85, (292) PCCF \$987.16, (296) VSO Fund \$0.00, (525) Foreclosure Fund \$5,022.33. Total prepaids \$104,633.44.

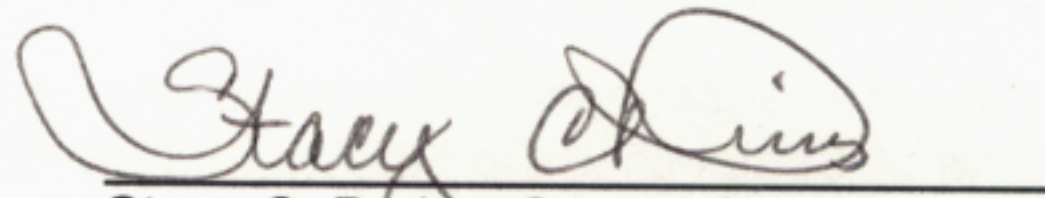
Payroll periods ending 05/23/2025 & 06/12/25 (101) General Fund \$222,727.37, (260) MIDC Fund \$423.89 (261) 911 Service Fund \$2,301.00, (288) Transit Fund \$33,920.25, (292) PCCF \$3,183.60. Total payroll \$262,556.11.

Committee reports
Department Head reports
Other business: none
Agenda requests: none

Public Comment: none.

By motion of Bourdeau supported by Cane and carried to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 4:36 p.m.


Carl Nykanen, Chair


Stacy C. Preiss, County Clerk

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Proceedings
Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 19, 2025

The Ontonagon County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 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.