

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting
November 7, 2018

Chairwoman Crawford called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Governmental Center.

OPENING CEREMONIES OR EXERCISES

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

PRESENT: Bob Johnson, Addison Wheelock, Jr., Cheryl Gore Follette, Tom Mair
and Carol Crawford

EXCUSED: Ron Clous and Dan Lathrop

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of October 17, 2018 – Regular Meeting

Minutes of October 24, 2018 – Study Session

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Mair to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brandon McMaster spoke about inmates in the jail.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Remove Item 15a – Closed Session regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

Moved by Mair seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda minus item 15a. Motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The purpose of the consent calendar is to expedite business by grouping non-controversial items together to be dealt with by one Commission motion without discussion. Any member of the Commission, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the consent calendar be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion. Such requests will be automatically respected.

If any item is not removed from the consent calendar, the action noted (receive & file or approval) is approved by a single Commission action adopting the consent calendar.

A. RECEIVE AND FILE

1. Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Minutes of September 20, 2018
2. Grand Traverse Community Collaborative Meeting Notes of September 27, 2018

3. Grand Traverse County Department of Health & Human Services Board Minutes of September 28, 2018

B. APPROVALS

1. Resolution 177-2018
Commission on Aging
Snow Vendor Agreement
2. Resolution 178-2018
Commission on Aging
Surplus Equipment
3. Resolution 179-2018
Resource Recovery
2018 Hauler License
4. Resolution 180-2018
Administration
Northern Office Equipment
Copier/Multi-Function Device Replacements
5. Road Commission – Request to Oppose Senate Bill 396 – Removed from calendar.
6. Resolution 181-2018
Health Department
Department of Environmental Quality
Grant Agreement 10/1/2018 through 9/30/2019
7. Resolution 182-2018
Veterans Affairs Committee
Bylaws
8. Resolution 183-2018
Policies and Procedures
County Treasurer
Insufficient Funds (NSF) Policy

ACTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR

After the County Clerk read the Consent Calendar, the following item was removed.

Item b-5

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By Johnson

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Mair to approve the Consent Calendar minus Item b-5.
Motion carried.

The Chairwoman moved ‘Items Removed From Consent Calendar’ before ‘Special Orders of Business’ per Commissioner Johnson’s request.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Johnson thanked Jim Cook, Road Commission Manager, for his service on the Road Commission.

b-5 – Road Commission – Request to Oppose Senate Bill 396

Resolution 184-2018
Road Commission
Oppose Senate Bill 396

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Wheelock to approve Resolution 184-2018. Motion carried.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

a. Public Hearing – Hospital Finance Authority Revenue Bonds

Chairwoman Crawford opened the public hearing at 5:38 p.m.

Peter Eckland, Clark/Hill, and Mark Hepler, CFO Munson Medical Center, explained the request for approval from the County Commission for issuance of revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$63,000,000.00.

There being no further discussion or correspondence, the public hearing was closed at 5:43 p.m.

Resolution 185-2018
County of Grand Traverse Hospital Finance Authority
Revenue Bonds Issued in an Amount
Not to Exceed \$63,000,000

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Mair to approve Resolution 185-2018.
Roll Call Vote: Yes 5, Excused 2

b. Public Hearing – 2019 Budget

Chairwoman Crawford opened the public hearing at 5:44 p.m.

Nate Alger, County Administrator answered Commissioners’ questions regarding the 2019 budget.

Public Comment

Tom Bensley, Sheriff, spoke about the Deputy and Sergeant wage and benefit costs.

There being no further discussion or correspondence, the public hearing was closed at 5:47 p.m.

Resolution 186-2018
2019 General Appropriations Resolution

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Wheelock to approve Resolution 186-2018.
Roll Call Vote: Yes 5, Excused 2

DEPARTMENT ACTION ITEMS

a. Facilities Management

1) Jail Remodel

Captain Todd Ritter explained that the money for the remodel project was approved and they now need approval to start the project.

Resolution 187-2018
Facilities
Hallmark Construction
Jail Remodel

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Wheelock to approve Resolution 187-2018.
Motion carried.

b. Health Insurance

1) Resolution Adopting the 80/20 Cost Sharing Provision of 2011 PA 152 for Health Plan Coverage Year Commencing January 1, 2019

Resolution 188-2018
Health Insurance Benefits
80/20 Cost Sharing Provision of 2011 PA 152
for Health Plan Coverage Year Commencing January 1, 2019

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Wheelock to approve Resolution 188-2018.
Motion carried.

c. Sheriff's Office

1) Compensation Policy

Tom Bensley, Sheriff, spoke about the current Compensation Policy and how external candidates can be placed higher in the pay scale than an internal candidate receiving a promotion to a position.

Donna Kinsey, Human Resource Director, answered questions about the current Compensation Policy.

- 2) Garfield Township Community Police Officer
Lieutenant Chris Barsheff provided a policing activity comparison between the City of Traverse City and Garfield Township

d. Finance

- 1) Approval of Brownfield Redevelopment Grant Contract
Dean Bott, Finance Director, explained the grant agreement.

Resolution 189-2018
Brownfield Redevelopment Authority
Sabin Dam
Grant Agreement

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Gore Follette, to approve Resolution 189-2018.
Motion carried.

e. Administrator's Update

Nate Alger, County Administrator, indicated that some attorneys were complaining about the strict security procedures when entering the courthouses. Administration will reach out to the local BAR Association and the Judges to discuss security procedures for attorneys.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC) Grant Contract

Chris Forsyth, Deputy Civil Counsel, explained the agreement and answered Commissioners' questions.

Resolution 190-2018
Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC)
Grant Agreement

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Mair, to approve Resolution 190-2018.
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioner Wheelock indicated that they are still trying to finalize the Mental Health contract for the jail.

Chairwoman Crawford thanked the County Clerk and other election officials for all their work on the November General election.

NOTICES

Current Job Openings

Chairwoman Crawford read the list of current job openings and directed the public to go to our website, www.grandtraverse.org, Human Resources Department, to get more information.

CLOSED SESSION

- a. **To consider strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement as permitted under MCL 15.268(c) – *Removed from calendar.***
- b. **To consider a written legal opinion protected from disclosure under the attorney-client privilege related to the Alan Halloway jail suicide incident as permitted under MCL 15.268(h)**

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Johnson to go into closed session at 6:47 p.m. to consider a written legal opinion protected from disclosure under the attorney-client privilege related to the Alan Halloway jail suicide incident as permitted under MCL 15.268(h).

Roll Call Vote: Yes 5, Excused 2

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Johnson, to return to regular session at 7:01 p.m.

Alan Halloway Case Settlement

Moved by Crawford, seconded by Gore Follette to release the funds on deposit with MMRMA to allow settlement of a potential claim brought by the estate of Alan Halloway as recommended by legal counsel.

Roll Call Vote: Yes 5, Excused 2

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Bonnie Scheele, County Clerk

Carol Crawford, Chairwoman

APPROVED: _____
(Date) (Initials)