

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting
March 1, 2017

Vice Chairman Clous 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, Tom Mair, Addison Wheelock, Jr., and Ron Clous

EXCUSED: Dan Lathrop, Cheryl Gore Follette, and Carol Crawford

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Moved by Clous, seconded by Mair to approve the minutes listed above. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Mair to approve the agenda as presented. 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. Corrected Board of Commissioners minutes of February 8, 2017
2. Resolution Regarding Revision of Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003 (Allegan County) – *Removed from Consent Calendar.*
3. Grand Traverse Community Collaborative minutes of February 23, 2017

B. APPROVALS

- 1. Resolution 20-2017
Boards and Committees
Construction Code Board of Appeals Reappointments
- 2. American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Agreement
Removed from Consent Calendar.

ACTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR

After the County Clerk read the Consent Calendar for the record, the following items were removed:

A-2	Page 12	By Johnson
B-2	Page 19	By Johnson

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Johnson to approve the Consent Calendar minus items A-2 and B-2. Motion carried.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- a. **Public Hearing for Revolving Loan Fund Application for Berg Well Drilling**
John Sych, Planning Director, and Laura Galbraith, Venture North, gave a brief overview of the loan request from Berg Well Drilling.

Doyle Berg, Berg Well Drilling, provided more information on the project and the loan request.

Vice Chairman Clous declared the public hearing open at 5:44 p.m.

There being no further comments or correspondence, Vice Chairman Clous closed the public hearing at 5:46 p.m.

- b. **Bay Area Transportation Authority (BATA) Presentation**
Eric Lindgaur, BATA Communications Manager, gave a presentation on BATA's services and the upcoming millage request.

Kelly Dunham, BATA Executive Director, and Mr. Lindgaur answered Commissioners' questions regarding BATA services.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

- A-2 – **Resolution Regarding Revision of Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003 (Allegan County)**

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Mair to Receive and File Resolution Regarding Revision of Medicare Prescription Drug Bill of 2003 (Allegan County). Motion carried.

B-2 - American Federation of State, County And Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Agreement.

Resolution 21-2017
Bargaining Unit
American Federation of State, County
And Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
Agreement

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Wheelock, to approve Resolution 21-2017. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT ACTION ITEMS

a. Administration

1. County Owned Real Property Disposal Policy

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Mair to table discussion of this policy until March 15, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

Commissioners directed staff to include a procedure for property acquisition in the draft policy and bring it back to the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Update from Ad Hoc Committee Regarding Administrator Search

Commissioners Mair and Wheelock indicated that a draft Request For Proposals (RFP) would be presented to the Board at the March 15 meeting.

b. Strategic Plan Update

Tom Menzel, County Administrator, indicated that the Strategic Plan memo of February 24 included in the packet summarized the plan to date.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brenda DeKuiper indicated that a group is trying to create an indoor sports complex on the Keystone property and she requested that the County hold off on selling it.

COMMISSIONER/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

a. Natural Gas Contract (Wheelock)

Commissioner Wheelock gave an update on the history of negotiating the contracts for Natural Gas prices. He indicated that they may have a contract to present to the Board at the March 15 meeting for approval.

NOTICES

a. March 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. – Board Basics Training

b. March 22, 2017 – Special Board Meeting – Attorney-Client Update Regarding Collective Bargaining

c. March 29, 2017 – Study Session – Pension Debt Discussion

CLOSED SESSION

None

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Bonnie Scheele, County Clerk

Ron Clous, Vice Chairman

APPROVED: _____
(Date) (Initials)