

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting  
April 4, 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: Dan Lathrop, Tom Mair, Cheryl Gore Follette, Ron Clous, Bob Johnson and Carol Crawford

EXCUSED: Addison Wheelock, Jr.,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of March 21, 2018 – Regular Meeting

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

**Steve Largent** – spoke in support of Conservation District millage

**DJ Shook** – spoke in support of Conservation District millage

**Michael Estes** – spoke in support of the FishPass and Conservation District millage

**Frank Dituri** – spoke in support of the FishPass and Conservation District millage

**Nate Winkler, Conservation Resource Alliance** – spoke in support of Conservation District millage

**Tom Bousamra** – indicated interest in serving on the Jail Ad Hoc Committee and spoke on counseling work in Jail

**David Schaffer, Resource Recovery Manager** – introduced himself to the Board.

**Kristine Erickson, Parks and Recreation Director** – spoke about Earth Day events and Easling Pool fundraising update.

**Thomas Wertz** – read letters from Land Conservancy and Boardman River Clean Sweep in support of the Conservation District millage.

**Mark Spencer** – spoke in support of the Conservation District millage

**Herb Lemcool** – spoke in support of the Conservation District millage

**Susan Petter** – spoke in support of the Animal Control millage

**David Tucker** – spoke in support of the Animal Control millage

**Jennifer Isbel** – spoke in support of the Animal Control millage

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Move Item 10-C, Commission on Aging Ad Hoc Committee – Recommendation for Appointments, to before Special Orders of Business. Remove Item 9-C, New Grade for Circuit Court Administration – Referees, and place on April 18, 2018 meeting.

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Mair to approve the agenda as amended. 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. Community Action Agency minutes of February 15, 2018
2. Department of Health & Human Services minutes of February 23, 2018
3. Road Commission Report

B. APPROVALS

1. Resolution 47-2018  
Grand Traverse Sheriff's Office  
Surplus Equipment and Bicycles for Auction/Disposal
2. Resolution 48-2018  
Grand Traverse Sheriff's Office  
Michigan Licensing & Regulatory Affairs (LARA)  
Medical Marijuana Grant
3. Resolution 49-2018  
Commission on Aging  
Change in Staffing Plan
4. Resolution 50-2018  
Commission on Aging  
Outside Agency Funding

5. Resolution 51-2018  
Health Department  
Annual Flu Vaccine Purchase

ACTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR

The Chief Deputy County Clerk read the Consent Calendar for the record.

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

ITEM 10-C COMMISSION ON AGING AD HOC COMMITTEE – RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Johnson to approve appointments of Ross Childs, 1 year, Hettie Molvang, 2 year term, and Jan Camille Bailey and Jim Carruthers, 3 year terms. Also approve appointment of Doris Beery, COA Client, and Jill Case, COA employee. Motion carried.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- a. **FISH PASS – Presentation by Great Lakes Fishery Commission Statement of Support for FishPass**

Andrew Muir, Science Director, Dan Zielinski, Computational Engineer, and Marc Gaden, Communications Director, with the Great Lakes Fishery Commission spoke on the FishPass project by Great Lakes Fishery Commission and answered questions.

Moved by Lathrop, seconded by Clous to approve statement of support for FishPass. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT ACTION ITEMS

- a. **Grand Traverse Conservation District**
1. Millage Request for August 7<sup>th</sup> Ballot  
Andy Blodgett, Chair of Grand Traverse Conservation District, and Marsha Clark, Executive Director of Grand Traverse Conservation District, spoke on the Grand Traverse Conservation District request for millage to be place on the August 7, 2018 ballot and answered questions.  
  
Kristine Erickson, Parks and Recreation Director, spoke on the history of collaboration between Parks and Recreation Department and Grand Traverse Conservation District.

Public Comment

**Joe Breech** - spoke in support of the Conservation District millage  
**Herb Lemcool** - spoke in support of the Conservation District millage  
**Marsha Clark** - spoke in support of the Conservation District millage

Resolution 52-2018  
Grand Traverse Conservation District  
Millage Request for August 7, 2018 Ballot

Moved by Mair, second by Johnson, to approve Resolution 52-2018, with the amendment to include language for time period of up to 8 years and up to .1 mills.  
Roll Call Vote: Yes 4, No 2, Excused 1  
Nays: Lathrop and Clous

Commissioners took a break at 7:29 p.m.  
Commissioners resumed the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

**b. Prosecuting Attorney**

1. Approval of Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance  
Robert Cooney, Prosecuting Attorney, reviewed the proposed Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance and answered Commissioners’ questions.

Resolution 53-2018  
Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Clous to approve Resolution 53-2108.  
Roll Call Vote: Yes 5, No 1, Excused 1  
Nays: Mair

2. Approval of Fee Schedule  
Dan Thorell, Environmental Health Director, reviewed the updated Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Fee Scheduled and answered Commissioners’ questions.

Resolution 54-2018  
Environmental Health  
Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control  
Fee Schedule

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 54-2018.  
Motion carried.

**c. Circuit Court**

1. New Grade for Circuit Court Administration – Referees - *Removed from agenda*

**d. Road Commission**

1. Michigan Transportation Fund Bonds, Series 2018  
Jim Cook, Road Commission Manager, and Dean Bott, Finance Director, reviewed the Road Commission’s request for Michigan Transportation Fund Bonds, Series 2018 and answered Commissioners’ questions.

Resolution 55-2018  
Road Commission  
Michigan Transportation Fund Bonds, Series 2018

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Mair, to approve Resolution 55-2018.  
Motion carried.

**e. Finance**

1. Budget Update – 2017 Year End

Dean Bott, Finance Director, reviewed the status of the 2017 budget at year end and answered Commissioners’ questions.

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Lathrop to direct staff to provide recommendations for potential utilization of surplus in fund balance.  
Motion carried.

**f. Administration**

1. Expression of Gratitude – Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians

Resolution 56-2018  
Board of Commissioners  
Expression of Gratitude to  
Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Crawford to approve Resolution 56-2018.  
Motion carried.

2. Resolution Supporting the Sale of Whitewater Township Property to the DNR

Resolution 57-2018  
Supporting the Sale of Whitewater Township  
Property to the DNR

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Mair to approve Resolution 57-2018.  
Roll Call Vote: Yes 5, No 1, Excused 1  
Nays: Clous

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**a. Reaffirmation of Resolution 116-2014 – Creation of a Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC)**

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Johnson to reaffirm Resolution 116-2014.  
Motion carried.

**b. Animal Control Ad Hoc Committee - Update**

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Mair, to approve request to place a millage for Animal Control on the August 7, 2018 ballot.

Roll Call Vote: Yes 4, No 2, Excused 1  
Nays: Lathrop and Clous

**c. Commission on Aging Ad Hoc Committee – Recommendation for Appointments**  
(Moved to before Special Orders of Business)

**d. Administrator Search – Deputy Administrator**

Commissioner Johnson proposed the idea of hiring the Deputy County Administrator at the same time as the County Administrator and having GovHR assist. Commissioners discussed the idea, recommended further topic discussion at the April 11, 2018 special meeting.

**e. Regional Morgue Ad Hoc – additional members**

Chairwoman Crawford appointed Dr. David Martin to the Regional Morgue Ad Hoc Committee. Commissioner Mair will not be on the Regional Morgue Ad Hoc Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioners gave updates on the meetings and events they attended.

NOTICES

None

CLOSED SESSION

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

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Sarah B. Lutz, Chief Deputy County Clerk

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Carol Crawford, Chairwoman

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Initials)