

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting
September 5, 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, Ron Clous, Addison Wheelock, Jr., Cheryl Gore Follette,
Tom Mair, Dan Lathrop, and Carol Crawford

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of August 15, 2018 – Regular Meeting

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Wheelock, 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. Northwestern Regional Airport Commission Minutes of June 26, 2018
2. Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Minutes of July 19, 2018
3. Building Authority – LaFranier and Woodmere Deficit Elimination Plan Approval
Removed from Calendar.

B. APPROVALS

1. Resource Recovery Material Recycling Facility Designation Agreements
Removed from Calendar.
2. Equalization – Amended L-4029 (no resolution attached, approved by Consent Calendar approval)
3. Intergovernmental Agreements to Manage Floodplain Development (Whitewater and Acme Townships) – Removed from Calendar.

ACTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR

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

B-3	Page 30	By Lathrop
B-1	Page 19	By Gore Follette
A-3	Page 18	By Wheelock

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Clous to approve the Consent Calendar minus items A-3, B-1, and B-3. Motion carried.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

None

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

A-3 - Building Authority – Lafranier and Woodmere Deficit Elimination Plan Approval
Dean Bott, Finance Director, answered Commissioners’ questions about the Deficit Elimination Plan.

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Gore Follette to Receive and File the Building Authority – Lafranier and Woodmere Deficit Elimination Plan Approval. Motion carried.

B-1 – Resource Recovery Material Recycling Facility Designation Agreements

Chris Forsyth, Civil Counsel, indicated that the agreements are required under Ordinance #17.

Resolution 136-2018
Resource Recovery
Materials Recycling Facility Designation Agreements
Bay Area Recycling for Charities
Traverse City and Kaleva Locations

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Clous to approve Resolution 136-2018. Motion carried.

B-3 – Intergovernmental Agreements to Manage Floodplain Development (Whitewater and Acme Townships)

Chris Forsyth, Civil Counsel, answered Commissioners' questions about the Floodplain Development agreements.

Resolution 137-2018
Whitewater Township
Intergovernmental Agreement
Flood Plain Development Management

Resolution 138-2018
Acme Township
Intergovernmental Agreement
Flood Plain Development Management

Moved by Lathrop, seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 137-2018 and Resolution 138-2018. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT ACTION ITEMS

a. County Treasurer

- 1) Performance Resolution for MDOT Permit Application
Heidi Scheppe, County Treasurer, explained that the County Land Bank would be installing a traffic signal at the intersection of Rennie School Rd and US 31 and a Performance Resolution is required to accompany the MDOT permit.

Resolution 139-2018
Michigan Department of Transportation
Performance Resolution
Individual Permit for Use of State Highway Right of Way

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 139-2018. Motion carried.

b. Sheriff's Office

- 1) Request to Hire an Additional Garfield Township Community Police Officer
Captain Chris Clark, Sheriff's Office, gave a presentation showing the need to hire an additional Garfield Township Community Police Officer.

Chuck Korn, Garfield Township Supervisor, spoke about the request and answered Commissioners' questions.

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Johnson to approve request to hire an additional Garfield Township Community Police Officer. Motion carried.

- 2) Undersheriff Classification
Tom Bensley, Sheriff, indicated that the wages for the position of Undersheriff have not been keeping up with the bargaining unit wages causing the Undersheriff to make only 2% more than the employees he/she will supervise. He is requesting that the Undersheriff position be reclassified to an M2.

Moved by Lathrop, seconded by Wheelock to reclassify the Undersheriff position to M2. (no vote taken on this motion)

Commissioners discussed the issue further.

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Gore Follette to table this issue until the next board meeting so that Administration can work with the Sheriff and get more information and bring back a recommendation. This motion supersedes the previous motion. Motion carried.

c. Health Department

- 1) Well and Septic Permit Scanning Project
Dan Thorell, Environmental Health Director, and Wendy Hirschenberger, Health Officer explained the scanning project.

Resolution 140-2018
Health Department
Graphic Sciences
Well and Septic Permit Scanning Project

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 140-2018. Motion carried.

- 2) Purchase of Environmental Health Truck
Dan Thorell, Environmental Health Director, and Wendy Hirschenberger, Health Officer explained the request to purchase a new truck.

Resolution 141-2018
Health Department
Todd Wenzel Buick GMC of Westland
Purchase of Environmental Health Truck

Moved by Gore Follette, seconded by Clous to approve Resolution 141-2018. Motion carried.

d. County Administrator

- 1) Request to Discuss the Purchase of the Cannon
Nate Alger, County Administrator, explained that a family, whose relatives served on the ship that had the cannon, that was given to Grand Traverse County, on it inquired about purchasing the cannon. Commissioners indicated that the cannon

is not for sale. They discussed having a celebration of the cannon and inviting this family to attend.

- 2) Joint Study Session with City Regarding Senior Center
Nate Alger, County Administrator, indicated that a special joint meeting with the City Commissioners is scheduled for September 26, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss what to do with the current Senior Center building.
- 3) 40 Under 40 – Ming Mays
Nate Alger, County Administrator, congratulated our IT Director, Ming Mays, for making the TC Business News 40 Under 40 list.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioner Wheelock indicated that there is still no contract with Community Mental Health for jail services.

Commissioner Lathrop indicated that Judge Bernstein will be at the State Theater September 7.

Commissioner Gore Follette spoke about the Economic Development Corporation.

Commissioner Johnson indicated that the Coast Guard Monument Dedication is September 6.

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.

Vacancies on Boards

Chairwoman Crawford read a list of vacancies on various boards and committees and encouraged interested individuals to apply to be appointed.

September 12 at 5:30 p.m. – Study Session with Township Planning Departments

September 19 at 5:30 p.m. – Regular Annual Board Meeting

September 26 at 5:30 p.m. – Special Joint Meeting with City Commissioners – Discuss Senior Center Building

CLOSED SESSION

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Bonnie Scheele, County Clerk

Carol Crawford, Chairwoman

APPROVED: _____
(Date)

(Initials)

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