

January 8, 2020

The Roscommon County Board of Commissioner's met on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 for a Regular Meeting. The meeting was held at the Roscommon County Building, 500 Lake Street, Roscommon, MI 48653. Chairman Robert E. Schneider called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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

Present: Schneider, Russo, Melvin, Milburn, Muckenthaler

Absent: None

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo, to approve the Board Agenda. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Schneider, Melvin, Muckenthaler, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Melvin, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to approve Board of Commissioner's Regular Meeting Minutes for December 11, 2019 & December 20, 2019. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Schneider, Milburn, Muckenthaler. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: None

Moved by Muckenthaler, Seconded by Schneider, to approve Class A bills in the amount of \$164,603.35. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Muckenthaler, Schneider, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Russo, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to approve Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$28,315.34. On Roll Call: Ayes: Russo, Melvin, Muckenthaler, Schneider, Milburn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Administrator/Controller's Report: Controller Valentino updated the Board on the various lawsuits involving the County. The Administration office has been busy with changeovers and preparation of W2's and 1099's. The IRS has notified us about updated W9's for our vendors. The Animal Control vehicle that was involved in an accident in December is a total loss. The full-time MSUE secretary position interviews will take place January 13, with follow ups to be scheduled. The position in the Clerk's Office has been filled, leaving an opening within Central Filing. Year-end appropriations and budget adjustments have begun. The County is the guardian of an unclaimed body. Brenda Bacheldor is working to create content and pages for the new EDC website. The Gypsy Moth millage expired and will need to be placed onto the ballot, perhaps in August. The Housing Department Director Laura MacKillop will be out for February and March. Coverage will have to be provided for the department. Maintenance Director Nielsen is starting the bidding process for the whole building generator for the CRAF center property. Several wiring and electrical updates will be required. Valentino reminded the Commissioners that her review is approaching and the Commissioners also need to appoint a Wage and Salary Advisory Committee for 2020.

Correspondence: None

Monthly Department Reports: Conservation District

Visitors: None

Unfinished Business/New Business: Chairman Schneider received the invoice from EGLE for the water gauge. He also spoke regarding the lake level control structures and will ask Steve Nielsen to come to the next work session for further discussion. Studies are being done to get signage up at the Health Department.

Motions and Resolutions:

1. Motion by Melvin, Seconded by Milburn, to appoint Heath Nemeth, Director of Veterans Affairs, to the Veterans Affairs Committee for a four (4) year term retroactive to January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023. Eligibility contingent upon continued employment as Director of Veterans Affairs.

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Muckenthaler, Milburn, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Muckenthaler, Seconded by Russo, to retitle the Solid Waste Recycling Committee to the Recycling Committee, effective January 8, 2020, to better align the committee title with duties and responsibilities.

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Muckenthaler, Milburn, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Melvin, Seconded by Muckenthaler, to adopt the “Resolution of Proclamation for Recognition of National School of Choice Week”.

**“RESOLUTION OF PROCLAMATION
FOR RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL SCHOOL OF CHOICE WEEK”**

WHEREAS, all children in Roscommon County should have access to the highest quality education possible; and

WHEREAS, Roscommon County recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in Roscommon County to be successful adults; and

WHEREAS, quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of Roscommon County; and

WHEREAS, Roscommon County is home to a multitude of high-quality public and non-public schools from which parents can choose for their children, in addition to families who educate their children in the home; and

WHEREAS, educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and

WHEREAS, Roscommon County has many high-quality teaching professionals in all types of schools who are committed to educating our children; and

WHEREAS, School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, schools, and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Roscommon County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes January 26 – February 1, 2020 as National School of Choice Week and calls this observance to the attention of all Roscommon County residents.

On Roll Call: Ayes: Schneider, Muckenthaler, Milburn, Russo, Melvin. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

Russo: Claims & Accounts, Houghton Lake is 13” over winter level.

Milburn: Airport

Muckenthaler: NMRE, Claims & Accounts

Melvin: Airport, Agenda

Schneider: Agenda review

Public Comment: None

Moved by Milburn, Seconded by Russo to adjourn meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.