

**MINUTES
ISABELLA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
October 15, 2013**

The Isabella County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chairperson George Green in the Commission Chambers on the above date.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson George Green.

Roll was called with the following Commissioners present: George Green, John Haupt, Roger Trudell, Jim Horton, James Moreno, Frances Lichtman and David Ling

Commissioners Absent: None

Also present were: Isabella County Administrator/Controller Margaret McAvoy; Isabella County Clerk Minde` B. Lux and Deputy Clerk Brenda Young.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Chairperson George Green asked if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda. It was moved by Commissioner Ling supported by Commissioner Trudell to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS: None

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None

MINUTES:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, supported by Commissioner Trudell to approve the October 1, 2013 Minutes as presented. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Administration Committee:

1. Routine Personnel Items:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, supported by Commissioner Trudell to accept and place on file the October 15, 2013 Routine Personnel Items as presented. Motion Carried.

See a copy of the Routine Personnel Items on page 59A of the official minutes.

2. Claims List:

It was moved by Commissioner Trudell, supported by Commissioner Lichtman to accept and place on file the October 15, 2013 Claims List in the amount of \$236,100.63. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Ling, Lichtman, Haupt, Trudell, Horton, Moreno and Green.

See a copy of the Claims List on page 59B of the official minutes.

3. Direct Pay List:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, supported by Commissioner Trudell to accept and place on file the September 2013 Direct Pay List in the amount of \$3,352,702.84. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Lichtman, Haupt, Trudell, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Green.
See a copy of the Direct Pay list on page 60A of the official minutes.

4. Apportionment Report:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, supported by Commissioner Trudell to accept and place on file the October 2013 Apportionment Report as presented by the Equalization Department. Motion Carried.
See a copy of the October 2013 Apportionment Report on file in the County Clerk's office.

5. Finance Meeting Minutes:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, supported by Commissioner Trudell to accept and place on file the October 11, 2013 Finance and Administration Committee meeting minutes. Motion Carried.

Criminal Justice and County Affairs Committee:

1. HATS Contract:

It was moved by Commissioner Haupt, supported by Commissioner Ling to approve the extension of the current Humane Animal Treatment Society Contract until December 31, 2013 as recommended by Isabella County Administrator/Controller Margaret McAvoy. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Haupt, Trudell, Horton, Moreno, Ling, Lichtman and Green.

2. Board of Canvassers Appointments:

It was moved by Commissioner Haupt, supported by Commissioner Ling to revoke on the appointments of the Isabella County Board of Canvassers as required by State of Michigan Election Law. County Clerk Lux distributed a ballot vote. There were 6 votes for Frank Engler to represent the Republican Party on the Canvassing Board. There were 6 votes for Carol Rard to represent the Democratic Party on the Canvassing Board. Motion Carried.

3. Criminal Justice County Affairs Committee Minutes:

It was moved by Commissioner Haupt, supported by Commissioner Ling to accept and place on file the October 8, 2013 Criminal Justice and County Affairs Committee meeting minutes. Motion Carried.

Human Resources and Public Works Committee:

1. Drain Commissioner's 2013 Annual Report:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno, supported by Commissioner Horton to accept and place on file the Drain Commissioner's 2013 Annual Report. Motion Carried

2. Drain Commissioner's 2013 Annual Apportionment Report and Tax Apportionment for tax billing:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno, supported by Commissioner Horton to accept the 2013 Drain Annual Apportionment Report and Tax Apportionment for tax billing. Motion Carried.

3. Delinquent Water Billing Roll:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno, supported by Commissioner Horton to approve Delinquent Water billing roll as submitted by the Board of Public Works for delinquent service charges of six month or more as of September 1, 2013 for the Lake Isabella Forest No. 2 Subdivision constituting a

lien on the property as provided by the County of Isabella Ordinance #1 of 1975 as amended. Motion Carried.

4. Recycling Contracts:

Isabella County Administrator Margaret McAvoy reviewed the status of renewal of Curbside Recycling Township contracts.

5. Human Resources and Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes:

It was moved by Commissioner Horton, supported by Commissioner Moreno to accept and place on file the October 7, 2013 Human Resources and Public Works Committee meeting minutes. Motion Carried.

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

General Public Comments: Tim Lannen, 1129 Meadow Drive, Union Township resident asked about pointed out that the amount in the Direct Pay List agenda is different from the amount read and approved in the motion and roll call taken. After review, it was determined that the correct amount was stated in the motion given by Commissioner Lichtman.

Closed Session:

At 7:50 p.m. it was moved by Commissioner Lichtman supported by Commissioner Trudell to go in to a closed session to discuss collective bargaining agreements. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Trudell, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Lichtman.

The Commission went in to Closed Session.

It was moved by Commissioner Ling supported by Commissioner Trudell to come out of closed session. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Trudell, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Lichtman.

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman supported by Commissioner Trudell to accept and place on file the closed session minutes from October 15, 2013.

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman supported by Commissioner Trudell to ratify and authorize the Board Chair to sign on behalf of the County, the collective bargaining agreement between Isabella County Board of Commissioners and the Dispatchers Unit of Police Officers Associations of Michigan effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Trudell, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Lichtman.

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman, supported by Commissioner Trudell to ratify and authorize the Board Chair to sign on behalf of the County, the collective bargaining agreement between Isabella County Board of Commissioners, the Sheriff and the Deputies Unit of Police Officers Association of Michigan Effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. The motion carried with 7 yeas and 0 nays. Yeas: Commissioners Green, Haupt, Trudell, Horton, Moreno, Ling and Lichtman.

Announcements:

Commissioner Haupt announced that Leo Mioduszewski was appointed Chairperson of the Michigan Sheriff Association.

Commissioner Ling suggested sending a note of appreciation to the Michigan Master Gardner Association and to the Isabella County Historical Society for their continued efforts to improve the view of the Isabella County Building.

Isabella County Clerk updated the Board on the election sites for the upcoming election. The Clerk also stated that the Michigan State Supreme Court will be ruling on same sex marriage. She stated that she will follow State statute as far as issuing same sex marriage applications. The Clerk also thanked the Board for hiring the new Isabella County Administrator/Controller McAvoy.

Isabella County Administrator/Controller Margaret McAvoy stated that is has been a great two weeks. She will be attending the Michigan Township Association meeting tomorrow night.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Commissioner Lichtman supported by Commissioner Trudell to adjourn to the call of the Chair at 8:19 p.m.

Motion Carried.