SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 in District Court room of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan, commencing at 4:00 P.M. Chairperson Allen Grimm called the meeting to order. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

Present:               Chairperson Allen Grimm
Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoille
Commissioner Craig Reiter
Schoolcraft County Clerk Daniel R. McKinney

Absent:   Commissioner Sue Cameron (Excused), Commissioner Gerald L. Zellar (Excused)

Also present:  Schoolcraft County Treasurer Julie Roscioli.

Chairperson Allen Grimm led the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners and the members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2013 Audit/Board Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners as printed. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of all Board Members present. [Copies of minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

Chairperson Allen Grimm asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioners asked that DDA Letter to City Council and Citizens Committee be added to the Agenda under “New Business”. It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to adopt the amended agenda. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Public Hearings”: None.

“Brief Public Comment”:  Rick Demers, DDA Chairman, addressed the Board asking several questions regarding the county audit and finances (fund balance, DTR Fund, Balance Sheet assets and liabilities and childcare fund balance). Commissioner LaFoille explained that the fund balance includes $500,000.00 as an asset because the county General Fund borrowed this money from the DTR years ago and then wrote off the debt which resulted in this $500,000.00 which is long since spent, becoming part of the General Fund fund balance. Alan Stotz from Anderson Tackman explained that the $500,000.00 must stay in the fund balance. Alan said the cash is spent but this remains as a part of fund balance. Schoolcraft County Treasurer Julie Roscioli addressed the DTR Fund, saying once we receive the settlement we will start paying out to the various municipalities from this fund. Commissioner LaFoille said after paying out to all the entities we may end up with half a million dollars in the DTR, we can’t spend this because we
would end up with a cash flow problem. Commissioner LaFoille said childcare is a moving target and it just takes placement of children from one family to spend in excess of what is in this fund. Alan Stotz stated that the assets in the balance sheet include funds that the county does not have the ability to spend, such as Public Transit.

“Old and Unfinished Business”: It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to index the following twenty-two items from the Audit Finance Meeting of April 11, 2013. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

1) It was moved by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve a purchase requisition from District Court in the amount of $148.50 for mileage reimbursement for Karen Gurski to cover the office in Manistique. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

2) It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve a purchase requisition from Building & Grounds in the amount of $4,822.38 for repair of the air handling system which includes labor. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

3) It was moved by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve a purchase requisition from the Airport in the amount of $130.00 for boiler inspection and certification. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

4) It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve a purchase requisition from the Airport in the amount of $3000.00 for AWOS upgrade and parts. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

5) It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve a purchase requisition from the Airport in the amount of $5,206.00 for the layout plan update. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

6) It was moved by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve a purchase requisition from the Airport in the amount of $412.00 for boiler repair. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

7) It was moved by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve a purchase requisition from 911 in the amount of $539.95 for batteries for radios for Inwood Township. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

8) It was moved by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve a purchase requisition from the Office of the County Clerk in the amount of $1,132.97 for two laser printers. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

9) It was moved by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve a purchase requisition from District Court in the amount of $585.00 for registration for drug court
conference and incentives. The motion carried by a majority aye vote of the Committee members present, with the voting as follows; Commissioner Grimm-yes, Commissioner Reiter-yes, Commissioner Zellar-no, Chairperson LaFoille-yes.

10) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve a purchase requisition from the Sheriff’s Department in the amount of $272.98 for Victim Service Conference. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

11) **It was moved** by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to approve a purchase requisition from the Office of the County Clerk in the amount of $139.99 for staples for the downstairs copier. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

12) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to approve a purchase requisition from 911 in the amount of $393.00 for dues for the 911 Authority. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

13) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to approve the claims and vouchers numbered 4850 through 5015 inclusive. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

14) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Zellar to allow the Chair to sign a letter to the DDA. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

15) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to send a letter and graph to the Advisor regarding the DDA to be used as an insert at a cost of $240.00. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

16) **It was moved** by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to go back to the old rate that Mr. Lang had when he retired for payment of Soil Erosion and Zoning Administrator. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

17) **It was moved** by Commissioner Zellar and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to authorize the Chairperson to sign the Data/Schoolcraft County Service agreement. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

18) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to take no action on this, but correct it from this point forward. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

19) **It was moved** by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to reimburse testing fees of $75 for employment candidates at the Sheriff’s Department if they are hired. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.
20) **It was moved** by Commissioner Grimm and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to refer this matter to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

21) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to not pay the unemployment bill and hold off to see what the outcome is. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

22) **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Grimm to authorize the Chairperson, County Clerk and Tax Equalization Director to sign the L-4024 County Equalization form and submit it to the State. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

Further under “Old and Unfinished Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to accept the bid for repair of the jail roof. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Committee members present.

No further “Old and Unfinished Business”.

Under “New Business:  Alan Stotz and Kevin Pascoe from Anderson, Tackman & Company appeared before the Board to present the County Audit Report for the year ending September 30, 2012. **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to accept the Audit Report. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: Michigan Department of Natural Resources Director Keith Creagh gave a brief presentation to the Board regarding land conveyance and PILT payments. Director Creagh said he wanted to visit Schoolcraft County because they are in the top 12 counties in Michigan as far as state owned land. Director Creagh asked for input from the Board regarding future endeavors of the DNR in Schoolcraft County.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to reappoint Guerda Frenette to the Jury Commission with a term ending date of April 30, 2019. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved** by Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to add life insurance to the former action taken by the Board regarding the
Housing Commission and to not allow Housing Employees to purchase life insurance through the county policy. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to allow the Chairperson to sign the letter to Senator Casperson’s Office regarding Camp Manistique. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Further under “New Business”: **It was moved by** Commissioner LaFoille and was seconded by Commissioner Reiter to allow the Chairperson to sign letters to Manistique City Council and the Citizens Council regarding the DDA. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

No further “New Business”:

“Committee and Department Reports”:
Commissioner Daniel J. LaFoille Sr.: Attended the Emergency Management Exercise. Reported the DHS is still awaiting appointment of a new director. Met with Department Heads to discuss budget and DDA issues. Reported that the Economic Development Corporation Board is still in need of new members.

Commissioner Craig Reiter: Attended township meetings and the Commission on Aging Meeting.

Commissioner Al Grimm: Reported that when the hospital relocates the emergency manager is going to make an exercise out of it.

“Announcements and Notices”: None.

“Public Comment”: Doug Erickson of Manistique addressed the Board regarding the DTR and Childcare Funds.

“Communications”: None.

**It was moved by** Commissioner Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner LaFoille to adjourn the meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried
by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present. The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

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Allen Grimm, Chairperson County Board

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Daniel R. McKinney, County Clerk