

**NOTICE OF SEMI-MONTHLY COUNTY BOARD MEETING
And AUDIT/FINANCE MEETING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners will meet on **Tuesday, December 3, 2024**, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, Manistique, Michigan, commencing at **5:00 P.M.**

The following is the proposed Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Minutes: November 14, 2024, Board and Audit-Finance Meeting
 November 26, 2024, Meeting of the Whole

5. Approval of agenda
6. Public Hearings:
7. Brief Public Comment
8. Old and unfinished business
9. New Business:

Indian Lake/Gulliver/McDonald Lake Authority Update
MISHDA Mortgage Discharge – Schnurer
UP 911 Authority Appointment- (Currently Sheriff Charles Willour)
Planning Commission (2 Appointments)
Audit/Finance Committee Recommendations/Action Items

10. Committee and department reports
11. Announcements and notices
12. Public Comment
13. Commissioner’s Comments
14. Communications
15. Audit Claims and Vouchers
16. Budget Adjustments
17. Adjournment

And, to take up and consider any other matter which may lawfully come before the Board at this time.

Paul Walker
Paul Walker, Chairperson
Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners

Craig Reiter
Craig Reiter, Chairperson Audit-Finance
Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners

Public may view this meeting via zoom (listening purposes only) no public comment or interaction via zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5117745749>

Meeting ID: 511 774 5749
Passcode: 987456

**SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING and AUDIT/FINANCE MEETING**

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioner’s Board Meeting / Audit Finance Meeting met on Thursday, November 14, 2024, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan. Chairman Paul Walker called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The roll was called with the following members present and/or absent:

- Present: Commissioner Craig Reiter
 Commissioner Bruce Birr
 Commissioner Paul Walker
 Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards
- Absent: Commissioner Troy Bassett (excused)
 Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik (excused)

Chairman Paul Walker 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 Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2024, Special Board Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners and November 6, 2024, Closed Session Borad Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present. [Copies of the Special Board Meeting minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

Chairman Paul Walker asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Paul Walker asked to delete Indian Lake Authority Board Appointments and add Indian Lake Amended Bonding Resolution.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

“Public Hearings”: None

“Brief Public Comment”: None

Unfinished Business:

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to appoint Tim Magnusson and Thomas Kaltz to the Gulliver Lake Authority Board, term expiration of December 31, 2028, and December 31, 2027, respectively.

New Business:

It was moved by Commissioner Bruce Birr and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to approve 24-14 Resolution Amending Computation of Costs – Indian Lake Authority. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve L-4029 – Tax Rate Request – Schoolcraft County and authority Paul Walker, Board Chairman, and Beth A. Edwards, Clerk, to sign the document for submission. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the 2024 Revised Apportionment Report presented by Dulcee Ranta, Equalization Director. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Craig Reiter and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the Merwin Creek Campground License Application and authorize Paul Walker, Board Chairman, to sign the application for submission. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Bruce Birr and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to change the November 28, 2024, Regular Board Meeting to December 3, 2024, at 5 p.m. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Paul Walker and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$1,830 and necessary signatures. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Paul Walker and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the NLB Electrical & Maintenance quote for additional outlets in the kitchen and garage for morgue cooler in the amount of \$1,430 to be paid from Maintenance/Repair Supplies 101-265-747.351. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Paul Walker and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the FY25 VA Service Grant in the amount \$56,394 (\$50,000 upfront and the remainder on a reimbursement basis) and authorize Paul Walker, Board Chairman, to sign the document. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Reports, the following matters were heard:

Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik: not present.

Commissioner Craig Reiter : attended LMAS, HBH Personnel, Special Board Meeting, HBH Program Planning, Germfask Township, Community Action, and AFSCME Negotiation meetings.

Commissioner Paul Walker: attended Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Board, LMAS, Audit/Finance Committee, and City Council meetings

Commissioner Bruce Birr: attended CUPPAD- Materials Management Organization, two Manistique City Council meetings, and Unified Branding Presentations.

Commissioner Troy Bassett: attended not present.

Steve Videtich stated the Tree Obstruction is almost complete at the airport and they will finish seeding in the spring, applying for a State Grant to purchase a new tractor for the Airport (no local match) which would be in lieu of the Front-end loader through the other Grant. See which grant comes through first.

Corey Barr updated on the City Water projects and the roof on the old water tower.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment: Bonnie Elliot congratulated all on their recent election.

Corey Barr stated the city just approved their Master Rec Plan

Commissioner's Comment: Commissioner Paul Walker addressed the Unified Branding Grant.

Communications: None.

At 5:27 p.m., meeting was turned over to Craig Reiter, Audit-Finance Chairman.

It was moved by Commissioner Paul Walker and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **9588 through 9732**, inclusive. There was discussion. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 5:28 p.m., the meeting was turned back over to Chairman Paul Walker. Chairman Paul Walker asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

It was moved by Commissioner Bruce Birr and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to adjourn. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Chairman Paul Walker adjourned the Board and Audit Finance Meeting at 5:28 p.m.

Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk

Approved: _____

DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That on December _____, 2024 the undersigned releases and discharges a certain Mortgage described as:

Mortgagor: John Schnurer and Joni McCracken, whose Address is 3217W Lex Nelson Road, Gulliver, MI 49840

Mortgagee: Schoolcraft County, by Paul Walker, Schoolcraft County Board Chairman, whose address is 300 Walnut Street, Manistique, MI 49854

Dated November 23, 2021 and recorded on January 5, 2022 in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Schoolcraft, State of Michigan in Instrument No. 202200042 Schoolcraft County Records; as to the following described land situated in the Township of Doyle, Schoolcraft County, Michigan to-wit:

The Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 34, Township 42 North, Range 14 West, Doyle Township, Schoolcraft County, Michigan, except the West 660 feet and except the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4.

Commonly known as: 3217W Lex Nelson Rd, Gulliver, Michigan 49840

Tax ID No.: 77-001-134-001-05

DATED THIS _____ DAY OF DECEMBER 2024.

Paul Walker, Schoolcraft County Board Chairman

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)-**ss**
COUNTY OF Schoolcraft)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on December _____, 2024, by

Print Name:
Notary Public County, Michigan
Acting in County
My commission expires: _____

Drafted by and return to: Joni McCracken Assisted by Transnation Title Agency 3217W Lex Nelson Road Gulliver, MI 49840
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CORRECTIVE MORTGAGE

This INDENTURE, made this 23rd day of November, 2021

WITNESSETH: That John Schnurer and Joni McCracken, father and daughter, hereinafter referred to as Mortgagor, hereby mortgages and warrants to Schoolcraft County, a municipal corporation, 300 Walnut Street, Manistique, Michigan, 49854, hereinafter referred to as Mortgagee, the following described lands and premises situated in the Village of Gulliver, Doyle Township, County of Schoolcraft and State of Michigan. Described as follows to wit:
To correct original mortgage recorded 10/30/2020 Document 202002360

Property Description

720 SEC 34 T42N R14W THE E 1/2 OF E 1/2 OF NE 1/4 OF NE 1/4. 10 a. L. 182 P. 982. 2009 SPLIT OF 001-134-001-00 ON 11/10/2008

Together with all tenements, hereditaments and appurtenance now or hereafter thereunto belonging, to secure the repayment of Fivethousandsevenhundredtwentyand00/00dollars (\$5,720.00) at zero percent per annum payable as follows;

THE TOTAL AMOUNT IS DUE HEREIN, OWING AND PAYABLE UPON TRANSFER OF ANY INTEREST IN THE DESCRIBED PROPERTY BY THE OBLIGOR TO ANY OTHER PARTY OR PARTIES BY DEED, ASSIGNMENT, SALE OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING CONVEYANCE BY LAND CONTRACT, DESCENT, DISTRIBUTION OR WHEN, FOR ANY REASON, THE UNDERSIGNED NO LONGER HOLDS AN ABSOLUTE FEE TITLE INTEREST IN SAID REAL PROPERTY, ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF A PROMISSORY NOTE.

And the Mortgagor further covenants: That he/she will pay when due all taxes on the premises and keep all buildings on the premises adequately insured against loss or damage by fire and windstorm with usual loss payable to Mortgagee. That in case of default in paying taxes or insurance premiums, the Mortgagee may pay same and the sums so paid shall be added to the amount secured by this mortgage and shall be due forthwith; That in case default is made in any payment or covenant, the Mortgagee is authorized to sell the premises at public auction and make and deliver to the purchaser a deed, rendering any surplus of the proceed to the Mortgagor.

In Witness Whereof the Mortgagor has hereunto set his hand and seal.
Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

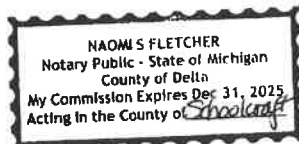
Naomi Fletcher
Naomi Fletcher

John Schnurer
John Schnurer
Joni McCracken
Joni McCracken

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF Schoolcraft

On November 23, 2021, before me, a notary public in Schoolcraft County, personally appeared **John Schnurer and Joni McCracken, father and daughter**, known to be the same person(s) who executed this instrument and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

PREPARED BY:
Naomi Fletcher,
Housing Program Director
507 First Ave. North
Escanaba, MI 49829



Naomi Fletcher
Naomi S. Fletcher
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF Delta
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 12/31/2025
ACTING IN THE COUNTY OF Schoolcraft

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10:23

**UP 911 Authority Administrative Policy Board
Appointment Notice**

Name of County: _____

**UP 911 Authority
Appointee**

Appointee: _____

Authorized Signatory: _____

Date: _____

From: Tracy Lektzian <lektziant@upcap.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 10:15 AM
To: clerk schoolcraftcounty.us; sheriff schoolcraftcounty.us
Cc: Jonathan Mead
Subject: UP 911 Appt
Attachments: UP 911 Appointee Notice.doc

Good morning Beth,

Your appointment to the UP 911 Authority Board will expire at the end of 2024. Currently, Charlie Willour is your appointee. I have attached the County Appt Form to this email. This is a 3-year term. Please return at your earliest convenience.

Thank you.

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Tracy Lektzian

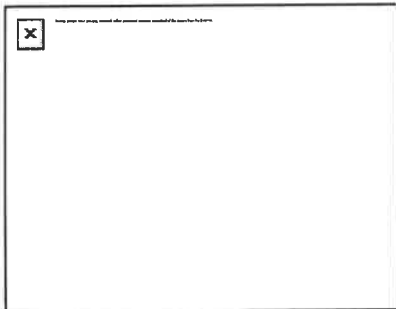
Office Manager

Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress (UPCAP)

P.O. Box 606

Escanaba, MI 49829

For more information, Dial 2-1-1 or visit: www.upcap.org




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November 8, 2024

Commissioners,

My current term on the Planning Commission ends 12-31-2024. As the current chair, I request to be appointed to another term.

Patrick Carley

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick Carley".

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Date: November 8, 2024

To: Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk, Schoolcraft County and
The Board of Commissioners, Schoolcraft County

From: Joan Marie Brown
6405W Glenwood Drive
Manistique, MI 49854
906-341-1149
jobrown@umich.edu

RE: **Open Board Position for the Schoolcraft County Planning
Commission**

Attachments

Please see:

- ♦ **My Letter of Interest**
- ♦ **My Resume**

November 8, 2024

Joan Marie Brown
6405W Glenwood Drive
Manistique, MI 49854
906-341-1149
jobrown@umich.edu

RE: Open Board Position for the Schoolcraft County Planning Commission

Dear Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners,

I have served as a board member on the **Schoolcraft County Planning Commission** for 4 full terms, from June 2012 to the present. My term is up December 2024. I would like to reapply for this position. I have found that being a member of this commission is an excellent way to give back to our community. The recommendations that this commission makes are important because they affect our generation as well as our children's. I would like to continue being a part of this process. I am a team player, good at researching and problem solving. I am also very conscientious, a decent writer and a good listener.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Joan Marie Brown

Joan Marie Brown

Attachment: My Resume

Joan Marie Brown
6405W Glenwood Drive
Manistique, MI 49854
906-341-1149
jobrown@umich.edu

Education

1970-1975 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
Rackham Graduate School
MA Degree, American Culture

1965-1969 University of Detroit, Detroit, MI
AB Classical Degree
Permanent Secondary Teaching Certificate

Board Experience

June 2012-present Member of the Schoolcraft County Planning Commission
Jan 2012-Dec 2016 School Board Trustee for Manistique Area Schools
2016-2021 Member of the Schoolcraft County Senior Citizen Center Board
2022-present Member of the Schoolcraft County Senior Citizen Center Board

Teaching Experience

2011-2014 Brain Aerobics: A Mental Exercise Class for Senior Citizens
Manistique, MI

1998-2006 Middle School Teacher, Technology
Dearborn Public School District, Dearborn, MI

1991-1997 Lecturer, Technology in Education
The School of Education
University of Michigan-Dearborn, Dearborn, MI

1984-1990 Full-Time Adjunct Lecturer
Computer Information Science Department & The School of Education
University of Michigan-Dearborn, Dearborn, MI

1983-1984 Teaching Assistant, BASIC and Logo
Computer Information Science Department
University of Michigan-Dearborn, Dearborn, MI

1970-1978 Junior High School Teacher, Social Studies
Wayne-Westland Public School District, Wayne-Westland, MI

Awards and Honors

1993 Distinguished Faculty Member
Michigan Association of Governing Boards of State Universities

Certificate of Merit
Governor of the State of Michigan

Certificate of Recognition
State Senate, State of Michigan

1991 Distinguished Teaching Award
University of Michigan-Dearborn, Dearborn, MI

Publications

Books

Brown, Joan Marie. Step-by-Step Spreadsheet Activities for Appleworks Grades 4-8. California: Teacher Created Materials, Inc., 2001.

Brown, Joan Marie. Step-by-Step Spreadsheet Activities for Microsoft Excel Grades 4-8. California: Teacher Created Materials, Inc., 2001.

Brown, Joan Marie. Hints for Teaching Social Studies. New Jersey: Silver Burdett Publishing Company, 1980.

Brown, Joan Marie. Hints for Classroom Teachers. New Jersey: Silver Burdett Publishing Company, 1980.

Software Program

Brown, Joan Marie et al. Some Basic BASIC: An Interactive Computer Software Program. New York: Educational Activities, Inc., 1985.

Student activities for the software program, Wagon Trail 1848.

Brown, Joan Marie. "Wagon Trail 1848, Student Activity: The Prairie Schooner."
Wagon Trail 1848. St. Paul, MN: MECC, 1991: 79-80.

Brown, Joan Marie. "Wagon Trail 1848, Student Activity: Who Should Go West?"
Wagon Trail 1848. St. Paul, MN: MECC, 1991: 81-82.

Brown, Joan Marie. "Wagon Train 1848, Student Activity: An 1800's Newspaper."
Wagon Trail 1848. St. Paul, MN: MECC, 1991: 103-104.

From 1986-2003, I wrote a variety of articles and columns about Technology in Education that were published in these publications:

ISTE Publications
Learning and Leading With Technology
SIGCC Connections
The Computing Teacher
The Dushkin Publishing Group
The Journal of Computing in Teacher Education
The MACUL Journal