

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

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners will meet on **Thursday, January 25, 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: January 11, 2024, Board and Audit-Finance Meeting
5. Approval of agenda
6. Public Hearings
7. Brief Public Comment
8. Old and unfinished business
9. New Business:

Overview/Update Schoolcraft County Dams/Lake Level – Attorney Stacy Hissong
Indian Lake Authority Board City of Manistique Designee
Personnel Committee Recommendations/Action Items
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.

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**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, January 11, 2024, in the District Courtroom of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan. Vice-Chairman Craig Reiter 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 Troy Bassett
 Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik
 Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards

Absent: Commissioner Paul Walker (excused)

Vice-Chairman Craig Reiter 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 Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2023, Board and Audit-Finance Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present. [Copies of minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2023, Closed Session – Attorney/Client Privilege Written Opinion Discussion Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Troy Bassett, yes; Daniel P. Hoholik, yes; Bruce Birr, abstain – wasn’t present; Craig Reiter, yes. The motion carried by majority aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2023, Closed Session – FOPLC Union Negotiations Meeting of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Troy Bassett, yes; Daniel P. Hoholik, yes; Bruce Birr, abstain – wasn’t present; Craig Reiter, yes. The motion carried by majority aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2024, Organizational Meeting of the Schoolcraft County

Board of Commissioners. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present. [Copies of minutes are available at the Office of the Schoolcraft County Clerk.]

Vice-Chairman Craig Reiter asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Craig Reiter asked to add Planning Commission Appointments. **It was moved** by Commissioner Troy Bassett 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”: Rick Olsen addressed Brewery Dam Gates and River as well as if the Cope freezes it could be an issue.

“Unfinished Business”: None

“New Business”:

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to appoint Peter Hood and David Muxlow to the Planning Commission Board, terms ending December 31, 2026. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Amanda Knutson of Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes Law Office gave an update on the Schoolcraft County Lake Level Website, Meeting with Township Assessors and Equalization on February 5th, Delegated Authority – Lake Level Board Group meetings March 4th and/or 5th with Attorney Hissong and Luke O’Brien, Corrected Permit Application being submitted by Luke O’Brien, and Big Manistique Lake Designated Authority-Appointment working with Luce and Mackinac County. There was discussion during this report by Todd Olsen regarding wasting time, Troy Bassett asked for clarification on the permit process, Craig Reiter addressed date for EGLE to respond to Corrected Permit Application, Todd Olsen addressed opening the gates, Greg Stoll questioned an exemption for City Water Reservoir, Rick Olsen addressed get a Court Order; Shirley McDonough addressed EGLE Process, Todd Olsen addressed the City going without water, Corey Barr addressed Water Loss Plan, Daniel P. Hoholik addressed lake level verses river level.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Bruce Birr to authorize the purchase of three (3) computers and accessories by the Prosecuting Attorney’s office

in the amount of \$4,583.15 from the Drunk Driving Fund. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the Indigent Defense Contract and authorize Paul Walker, Board Chairman, to sign the contract as presented. 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 Troy Bassett to approve the lease of Rooms 123 and 125 by State of Michigan, Secretary of State, Lease #11473-2021 and authorize Paul Walker, Board Chairman, to sign the lease as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Reports, the following matters were heard:

Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik: attended Building/Grounds & Airport meeting.

Commissioner Craig Reiter : attended HBH Retreat, LMAS, and Germfask Township meetings.

Commissioner Bruce Birr: attended Manistique City Council Meeting.

Commissioner Troy Bassett: attended Manistique City Recreation, Road Commission, and Building/Grounds & Airport Meetings.

Sheriff Charles Willour stated the new Security Door has been installed at the jail and it looks great. Software update for the in-jail counseling has been installed.

Pat Carley stated the Planning Commission is still reviewing the Master Plan.

Don Reed addressed government not moving quickly.

Announcements and Notices: None

Public Comment: None

Commissioner's Comment: None

Communications: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **6872 through 7021**, inclusive. There was discussion. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

Vice-Chairman Craig Reiter asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

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

Vice-Chairman Craig Reiter adjourned the Board and Audit Finance Meeting at 5:44 p.m.

Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk

Approved: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 24-001

WHEREAS, the City of Manistique (hereafter "City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan;

WHEREAS, the City Council is the legislative body of the City;

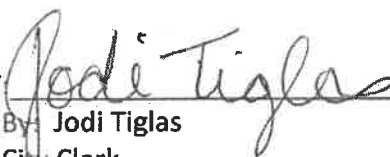
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Manistique, Michigan that:

Hereby, the City Council appoints the City Manager Corey Barr as the City of Manistique Designee for the Delegated Authority Board for Indian Lake Level Control with Rebekah Weber as an alternate designee

Passed and Adopted by the Council on this 8th day of January 2024

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Manistique, County of Schoolcraft, said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being 1976 Public Act 267, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

ATTEST


By: Jodi Tiglas
City Clerk
City of Manistique

**SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners Personnel Committee met on Friday, January 19, 2024, in the 1st Floor Conference Room, of the Schoolcraft County Building, City of Manistique, Michigan, commencing at 10:03 a.m. The meeting was called to order and roll was taken:

Present: Commissioner Troy Bassett
 Commissioner Craig Reiter (acting member for Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik)
 Beth A. Edwards, Clerk

Commissioner Troy Bassett led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion:

Judge Beth A. Gibson addressed the starting wage of the Supervisor/Magistrate Position. Would be asking the Board for an exemption of 10% reduction in wage from the prior Magistrate pursuant to Policy and Procedure. Further stated that while this position has been vacant the County has realized a savings of around \$85,000.

Commissioner Craig Reiter addressed the Policy and Procedures and feels that the reduction needs to be followed, although Mr. Shiner is educated there is no comparable work experience in this field of work. Judge Gibson also addressed the policy provides for exception to the reduction based on education and or prior work experience in a previous comparable position.

Commissioner Reiter expressed his thought as setting the salary based on the \$50,710.90 (Current Magistrate Salary if not vacant) minus 10% which would be \$45,639.81 following the 10% reduction in the Policy and Procedures.

Commissioner Troy Bassett asked about a look at an increase at any time or just at this point. The policy says the 10% can be waived and reviewed in 91 Days for a 5% increase. Can an increase be reviewed at any time or only now. It was discussed that a review can be requested at any time.

Judge Gibson addressed the Magistrate training is in March. Mr. Smith, new Magistrate in Alger County, and Mr. Shiner will be traveling together, which will save a little bit of money. Judge Gibson also addressed the bonding of the new employee.

There was further discussion regarding the position, starting duties, and appointment as supervisor/magistrate.

RECOMMENDATION of Personnel Committee to move this to Audit/Finance Committee for finance review and the full board to approve paying John Shiner (as hired by Judge Beth A. Gibson) as a supervisor starting January 22, 2024, at a rate of \$45,639.81 annually (10% Reduction) from the Supervisor Line Item until the request for appointment as Magistrate is made and approval by the County Board. After appointment as Magistrate,

training, and the 91-day probation period is completed, Judge Gibson can request a review for a 5% increase of the original salary of \$50,710.90.

Public Comment: Dixie Anderson addressed starting wage and if that was a current wage.

Next meeting: TBD

Adjournment: Committee meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING

***AMENDED**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that there will be a meeting of the *Audit-Finance Committee* of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners on **Monday, January 22, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.** in the 1st Floor Conference Room, Schoolcraft County Courthouse, Manistique, Michigan.

1. Call to order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Discussion:
 - Olsen & Olsen Sanitary Drain and Storm Sewer Upgrades
 - Olsen & Olsen Hangar Roof
 - Sheriff's Department Marine Grant
 - District Court Supervisor Wage
 - * FTR Contract
 - Any other matter brought to the Committee.
5. Public Comment
6. Adjournment

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

Craig Reiter _____ Dated: January 19, 2024

Craig Reiter, Audit-Finance Committee Chairman
Schoolcraft County Commissioner