

**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, March 28, 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: March 14, 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  
Planning Commission Resignation Acceptance/Appointment  
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

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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, March 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 Troy Bassett  
                      Commissioner Paul Walker  
                      Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik  
                      Schoolcraft County Clerk Beth A. Edwards

Absent:            none

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 Bruce Birr and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2024, 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.]

Chairman Paul Walker asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the printed agenda. Commissioner Paul Walker asked to add Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Board Appointment and Request for FAA Approval of Agreement for Transfer of Entitlements.

**It was moved** by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik 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”: None

**“New Business”:**

Commissioner Paul Walker gave an update on the Lake Level Authorities for Indian Lake, Gulliver Lake, and McDonald Lake each held their initial meeting, electing Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and

Secretary/Treasurer. Also gave the dates of scheduled meetings in April and May. Commissioner Craig Reiter advised that the Mueller Township Board will likely vote at their next meeting regarding the purchase price of the McDonald Lake Dam.

**It was moved** by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to approve Amanda Knutson of Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes and Luke O'Brien of Spicer Group access to Schoolcraft County Land Shark records to assist with setting up the special assessment water districts for each lake free of charge for deed copies. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

**It was moved** by Commissioner Craig Reiter and seconded by Commissioner Troy Bassett to accept the oral and written 2023 Annual Report of Steve Videtich, Building/Grounds & Airport Manager, as presented. 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 Troy Bassett to appoint Commissioner Troy Bassett and Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board, terms expiring March 31, 2028. 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 Bruce Birr to appoint Corey Barr, City Manager, to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board. There was discussion. By a unanimous agreement of all board members, the motion was tabled until the City of Manistique makes a request.

**It was moved** by Commissioner Bruce Birr and was seconded by Commissioner Craig Reiter to advertise in the paper for the vacant seats on the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. 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 appoint Commissioner Craig Reiter and Commissioner Bruce Birr to the City of Manistique EMS Advisory Board. 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 Troy Bassett to authorize Paul Walker, Board Chairman, to sign the MISHDA Mortgage Discharge for Jaime Paradise. 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 Bruce Birr to approve the Community Garden Letter of Support and authorize Paul Walker, Board Chairman, to sign the letter. 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 LaForce Invoice in the amount of \$12,647 and \$358 hosting fee yearly to complete the additional 5 electronic security door locks at the jail to be paid from ARPA funds. 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 continue collecting the \$.42 Emergency 911 Surcharge for 2024. 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 Troy Bassett to approve the ARPA funds in the amount of \$56,983 to the City of Manistique for the purchase of a new 2024 Durango patrol vehicle, the remainder of the \$65,000 ARPA committed funds will be reallocated by the County. 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 Paul Walker to approve the MDOT Contract No. 2024-0436 / Federal Project No. B-26-0060-2320 – Project Description Obstruction Marking/Lighting/Removal (Non-Hazard)-RWYS 10, 28 & 1 in the amount of \$35,000 (no local matching funds) and authorize Board Chair, Paul Walker, to sign the Contract and Assurances (Resolution 24-1). 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 Paul Walker to approve any income from the House Arrest Tether Program at the Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department be placed in a designated line item for the future purchase of patrol vehicles. 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 Daniel P. Hoholik to approve Treasury Form 6056 – 1% Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Certification and authorize Paul Walker, Board Chairman, to sign the form. 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 Craig Reiter to appoint Kelly George to fill the partial term of the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Board, term expiring 12/31/2024. Roll Call Vote: Troy Bassett, yes; Craig Reiter, yes; Bruce Birr, yes; Daniel P. Hoholik, abstain – employment; Paul Walker, yes. The motion carried by a 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 Request for FAA Approval of Agreement for Transfer of Entitlements in the amount of \$82,973 to Frankfort (FKS) Dow Memorial Airport and authorize Board Chair, Paul Walker, to sign the Request. The motion carried by a unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

**Reports, the following matters were heard:**

**Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik:** attended Courthouse Security, Building/Grounds & Airport Committee, Planning Commission, and Indian Lake Delegated Authority Board meetings.

**Commissioner Craig Reiter :** attended HBH Board, LMAS, Gulliver Dam Authority, McDonald Lake Authority, Community Action Interviews, Met with Representative Brabec- Mental Health Allocations, Community Action Safety, Audit-Finance Committee, (2) Community Action – Executive Sessions, and Mueller Township meetings.

**Commissioner Paul Walker:** attended EDC and Manistique City Council meetings.

**Commissioner Bruce Birr:** attended Indian Lake Authority and Manistique City Council meetings.

**Commissioner Troy Bassett:** attended Courthouse Security, Building/Grounds & Airport Committee, Indian Lake Authority, Whitetails, and Manistique City Recreation meetings.

Erin Daines, MSU Extension Director, addressed current programs specifically LFCU Grant, Youth Baseball, Local Governance, Tribal Health Educator Position, 4-H Tech Training.

Sheriff Charles Willour addressed the Counseling Grant for the jail.

Corey Barr, City Manager, working on the General Fund issues and looking for solutions.

Steve Videtich, Building/Grounds & Airport Manager, reported the new Carpenter Dam Boards were installed, Merwin Creek water pump was installed, Bishop Baraga dock has been put in the water, Box Hangar at the Airport has had the new roof installed.

Ashley Reitter, Conservation District, asking that everyone complete a needs assessment for the community, those will be accepted until June. Fruit Tree Pruning workshop will be taking place, Tree Sale is happening now, they are accepting Scholarship Applications, and Easter UP Advisory Meeting will be happening April 4, 2024, at 4 p.m. in the Schoolcraft Memorial Administration Conference Room.

Paul Walker thanked Timothy Russell for the recent fire support.

Andy Bertapelle stated the collaboration in this community is great and he is thankful.

**Announcements and Notices:** None

**Public Comment:** Sheriff Charles Willour thanked Steve Videtich for the upkeep at Bishop Baraga.

Corey Barr questioned where Mueller Township Fire Protection stands.

**Commissioner's Comment:** Craig Reiter expressed Community Action Agency has hired a new Director.

Paul Walker addressed the ARPA Funds.

Troy Bassett addressed the Road Commissions bidders list and the Recreation Show on April 20, 2024, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., free to enter your business in the show.

**Communications:** None.

At 6:07 p.m., meeting was turned over to Craig Reiter, Audit-Finance Chairman.

**It was moved** by Commissioner Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Paul Walker to approve the claims and vouchers numbered **7329 through 7595**, inclusive. There was discussion. The motion carried by unanimous aye vote of the Board members present.

At 6:07 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 Troy Bassett and was seconded by Commissioner Daniel P. Hoholik 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 6:08 p.m.

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Beth A. Edwards, County Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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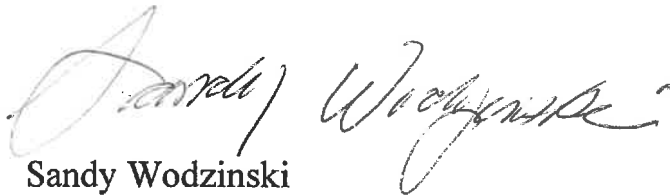
March 5, 2024

Beth Edwards  
Schoolcraft County Clerk

Hi Beth,

I am writing to confirm my conversation today with the Planning Commission Board, in which I indicated I will not be able to finish my term serving on the Schoolcraft County Planning Commission.

Participating on the board has been my pleasure. Thank you for the opportunity.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandy Wodzinski". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Sandy Wodzinski

cc: Tasha Rosebush

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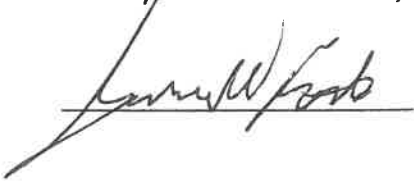

Subj: Letter of interest for Schoolcraft County Planning Commission

12/29/23

I would like to express my interest in serving as a member of The Schoolcraft County Planning Commission if/or any vacancies should arise in the future.

I currently serve as a member of the Hiawatha Township Fire Dept, and Schoolcraft County Transit Board.

Thank you for consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. Foote", written over a horizontal line.A handwritten date "12/29/23" written in black ink over a horizontal line.

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## NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that there will be a meeting of the *Audit-Finance Committee* of the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners on **Tuesday, March 26, 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:
  - Food Service Contract/Proposal
  - 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: March 22, 2024

Craig Reiter, Audit-Finance Committee Chairman  
Schoolcraft County Commissioner