

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
February 15, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held February 15, 2012, 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse, Eagle River, MI, opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioners present: Ernie Mooney, Frank Stubenrauch, Don Piche, Del Rajala, Randy Eckloff.

The meeting was posted in the Courthouse on the bulletin board and the agenda for the meeting was posted on February 13, 2012 on the door of the Courthouse.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to accept the minutes as presented from the January 18, 2012 regular monthly board meeting.

The Treasurer, Sheriff and Mine Inspector reports were received.

Mooney introduced Keweenaw County's two new employees, Tom Novascone and Elizabeth Anderson who were hired to work in the Equalization Department.

Time was allowed for public comment but the Board did not accept comment on the proposed cell phone tower as the decision was made at all local levels of government already and the issue was not up for discussion at this meeting nor was it on the agenda.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Piche to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts; General Fund=\$115,289.52 Construction Codes Fund=\$2,209.75 911 Fund=\$1,191.19 EDC Fund=\$1,244.78 Law Library=\$91.09 Child Care Fund=\$1,534.65 County Veterans Trust Fund=\$50 Register of Deeds Automation Fund=\$0. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Mooney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala to allow Brownfield to spend up to \$2,000 for title work for Mt. Horace Greeley to be paid from the EDC fund as requested by Brownfield. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Mooney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Stubenrauch to approve the contract between Keweenaw County and Tom Novascone as part time Equalization Director as was discussed in the January meeting. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Mooney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Piche supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to advertise the cross country ski trail grooming equipment from Keweenaw Mountain Lodge. The ad must state that Keweenaw County Board reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Dan Harri and Julie Carlson will work out the details on the above advertising.

Motion by Piche supported by Stubenrauch to approve the Workout Agreement that was rewritten by Donna Jaaskelainen that is between the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development and the County of Keweenaw regarding the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge being in default of the loans. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Mooney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to allow Chairman Mooney to sign the 2011 Grant Agreement between Keweenaw County and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority in the amount of \$100,000 that will assist four homeowners for rehabilitation.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to allow Chairman Mooney to sign an amendment to the 2009 grant agreement between Keweenaw County and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority to allow more time for completion.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala to change the wording on the transfers made from the General Fund and the EDC Fund to the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge. The wording will be changed to appropriating the funds because the State of Michigan Department of Treasury will not accept the term loaned as the deficit still remains with a loan. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Mooney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Time was allowed for public comment.

There being no further business motion by Rajala to adjourn at 7:03 p.m. Meeting adjourned sine die.