

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 5, 2008

The official meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held November 5, 2008, 6:30 PM at the Horizon School, Mohawk, MI, opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioners present: Joe Langdon, Donald Keith, Jeff Turnquist, Frank Stubenrauch, Randy Eckloff.

Motion by Turnquist supported by Langdon and unanimously carried to approve the agenda.

The minutes of the October 15 meeting stood as read.

The Sheriff, Mine Inspector and Road Commission reports were received.

Richard Harrer reported there will be a run down of the lagoons at Mt. Horace Greeley next week and they will be getting a new permit. He reported the Keweenaw Mt. Lodge will be receiving a violation for their water system because there is not an "operation & maintenance manual" on site, which was due August 1; fines will start November 28; the Road Commission and Don Keith will take care of this.

Mark McEvers, Keweenaw Park Trustee, stated the cross country trail is staying within the plan and they will be purchasing grooming equipment out of the Keweenaw Mt. Lodge loan. \$4500 was requested for grooming for 15 weeks 3 hours per day, end date March 15. Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch to authorize \$4500 from the Economic Development fund for grooming the trails at the Keweenaw Mt. Lodge with oversight by the Keweenaw Park Trustees. Board Polled. Ayes: Stubenrauch, Eckloff, Keith. Nays: Turnquist, Langdon. Motion carried.

Motion by Stubenrauch supported by Turnquist to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners actively supports and currently participates in the economic development district activities of the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Regional Commission;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners concurs with the update of the Community Economic Development Strategy Report dated December 31, 2008 and accepts it as its guide for economic development, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners supports the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Regional Commission's application to the Economic Development Administration for planning funds. (#08-10)

Board polled. Ayes: Turnquist, Stubenrauch, Eckloff, Keith. Nays: Langdon. Motion carried.

Motion by Turnquist supported by Langdon and unanimously carried to hold a public hearing December 17, 2008, 6:00 PM on an off road vehicle ordinance.

Motion by Langdon supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried the Equalization Dept. be the focal point for inputting of data and the maintenance of the county's new website.

Motion by Keith the Economic Development Commission be disbanded. Motion died lack of support. Motion by Turnquist supported by Keith and unanimously carried to table until the next meeting dissolving the Economic Development Commission.

Motion by Turnquist supported by Langdon and unanimously carried to appoint Ron Lahti, Gary Bracco alternate, to the UP 911 Authority Administrative Policy Board for a term of 3 years.

The board members will hold a discussion on the 2009 budget at their next meeting and hold a public hearing on the budgets December 3, 2008 at 6:00 PM.

Three bids for a 2003 Chev Impala patrol care were received: Keweenaw Auto Body \$605.55; Richard Olson \$769.00; Dick Bonds \$800.00. Motion by Eckloff supported by Langdon and unanimously carried to accept Dick Bonds bid.

Motion by Keith supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to have Stubenrauch recruit Economic Development Commission members to attend a wind energy workshop at Michigan Tech December 3, 2008, the county paying the \$55 registration fee and mileage.

Motion by Keith supported by Langdon and unanimously carried to authorize Carol Fouts to attend a new commissioner workshop in Marquette, November 10.

Motion by Langdon supported by Stubenrauch to accept the October 27, 2008 tentative AFSCME Union Agreement for one year, with the classification of janitor changed to custodian, 2.5% increase in salary and \$.10 per hour for \$14.00/hr, and \$250 opt out of hospitalization insurance. Board polled. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

