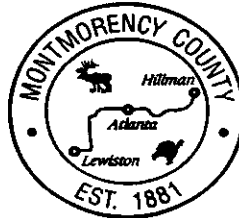


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## County of Montmorency Board of Commissioners

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### Regular Board Meeting

### Agenda

May 16, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Boardroom/Courtroom B

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#### CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of minutes from: May 2, 2024
- Claims and Accounts

#### PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Spectrum: Marilyn Passmore
- Opioid Request: Donna Hardies

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Retirement Health Insurance Policy Update

CAR Scanner

#### REPORTS:

- Controller
- Treasurer
- Sheriff
- Standing Committee

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### ADJOURN SUBJECT TO CHAIRMAN

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON Thursday, June 6, 2024

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER OPEN MEETINGS ACT OF MICHIGAN, PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 267 OF 1976 PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES

**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING HELD MAY 16, 2024**

**PRESENT:** Don Edwards, Gary Girardin, Dell Bolser, Mary Hardies, Lloyd Peltier

**ABSENT/EXCUSED:** None

**PLEDGE**

**ADD/DELETIONS:**

**Add:** Scanner  
**Delete:** None

Motion by Girardin, seconded by Hardies approving the agenda with the addition. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

**MINUTES:**

Motion by Peltier, seconded by Girardin approving the regular meeting minutes of May 2, 2024. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

**CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS:**

Motion by Girardin, seconded by Edwards approving claims (Claims: \$85,192.86; Desk \$64,428.07; EFT's \$171,482.95; Total: \$321,103.88). Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Edwards, Girardin, Hardies, Peltier, Bolser) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Donna Baranyai, Cheryl Neilsen, Teresa Walker, Julie Morton, Velma Brown (5 of the 9 vested appeared and opposed any changes being proposed). Chad Brown (request board take their time). Mike Walker (good employees and need for benefit package). Vicki Kunding (take the money while you can). Cheri Eggett (option and money there from DTRF funds) Various comments on retiree health care changes being proposed by the board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SPECTRUM:** Marilyn Passmore, State Director present. Presentation on broadband project underway for Charter/Spectrum in Montmorency County.

**OPIOID REQUEST:** Donna Hardies, present. Requesting \$20,000.00 of the opioid monies awarded to Montmorency County to be utilized for Sunrise Center project in Alpena. Discussion. Motion by Hardies, seconded by Bolser to use \$20,000.00 from the opioid funds for the Sunrise Center expansion. Discussion. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Girardin, Hardies, Peltier, Bolser, Edwards) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

9:51 A.M. Break

10:00 A.M. Back in session

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RETIREMENT HEALTH INSURANCE:** In depth discussion (reason for HCSP, funding for 10 years was proposed to be put in for the initial split retiree health plans then changed direction when one employee was left out of either plan. Discussed possibility of litigation; does anyone else do HCSP besides MERS; empty promises by previous boards. Motion by Peltier, seconded by Hardies to adopt the updated policy 7.19 Retiree Health coverage. Discussion. Yeas: 2 (Roll call: Hardies, Peltier) Nays: 3 (Bolser, Edwards, Girardin) Motion failed. Discussion on how to proceed. Bring back in 2 weeks.

**CAR SCANNER:** Letter to be sent indicating matter settled and scanner to Bernie Neilsen.

**REPORTS:**

**COUNTY CONTROLLER:** Aprille Williamson present. Discussed: BSA proposal for cloud-based programs, \$50,000,00 increase over what we are paying now, \$128,220.00 to implement and then \$70,000 annual fee after that f/2 yrs. 5% or CPI increase after that. Looking for a commitment by July to get these rates. Spread out over 2 years

and county improvement fund could be used. Motion by Hardies, seconded by Bolser to switch to cloud version of BSA. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Peltier, Bolser, Edwards, Girardin, Hardies) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

Other topics: Marcia Osborn resigned from Veterans. Enterprise: EQ vehicle ordered and delivery next week. The building department ordered and MCSD vehicle was discussed. Final 2023 budget adjustments made and sent to auditor. Working on new internet, phone installation and new computers.

TREASURER REPORT: Cheri Eggett present. Motion by Bolser, seconded by Girardin to add Schaible and Amborski to the MCSD bond account. Yeas: 5 (Roll call: Bolser, Edwards, Girardin, Hardies, Peltier) Nays: 0 Motion passed.

SHERIFF REPORT: Sheriff Brown present. Spoke with Enterprise on patrol cars; police week coming up, thank you to law enforcement; Memorial Day parade coming up; Tom Santer rehired for road, discussed bump in pay for experienced officer pursuant to union contract.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Peltier: NEMSCA, Mental Health  
Hardies: Opioid  
Girardin: Landfill, Finance  
Bolser: Library, DHHS  
Edwards: Finance, MCCOA, Landfill

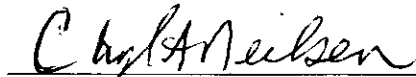
**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ramey Girardin thanked MCSD and sheriff for making his job safer; and BOC for waiting to make the right decision on retiree health.

Linsey Rogers commented on Briley township receiving \$59,086.00 in their account for marijuana license facility and that Montmorency County should have received the same.

11:41 A.M. Motion by Peltier, seconded by Girardin to adjourn. All in favor.

Minutes submitted by:



Cheryl A. Neilsen, County Clerk