

PUBLIC HEARING-KEWEENAW COUNTY RECREATION PLAN 2011-2015  
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
January 19, 2011

Present: Ernie Mooney, Frank Stubenrauch, Don Piche, Del Rajala. Absent: Randy Eckloff.

The Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on January 19, 2011 at 6:15 p.m. to hear public comment on the Five Year Recreation Plan. Lori Hauswirth was present to answer questions and she gave a quick summary about what the Recreation Plan was all about and stated that this plan needed to be in place in order to be eligible for any DNR grants. There was very little public comment and the public hearing was closed at 6:20 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
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The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held January 19, 2011, 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 organizational meeting was called to order by the Clerk. Clerk called for nominations for a temporary chairman. Mooney was nominated for temporary chair by Rajala, seconded by Piche and with no further nominations, Mooney was unanimously elected as temporary chairman.

Temporary Chair Mooney called for nominations for a permanent chairman for the period of January 2011 through December 2011. Piche nominated Eckloff for chairman, seconded by Rajala. There being no further nominations, Eckloff was unanimously elected chairman for the term of January 2011 through December 2011.

Eckloff called for nominations for vice chairman. Rajala nominated Mooney for vice chair and was seconded by Stubenrauch. There being no further nominations, Mooney was elected vice chairman with a unanimous ballot cast.

Motion by Mooney seconded by Rajala and unanimously carried to hold official board meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Eagle River.

Chairman Eckloff appointed the following committee members:

Economic Development	Piche	Historic Hiway/Byway	Stubenrauch
Building & Grounds	Eckloff	911 Committee	Eckloff
Human Services	Piche	MSU Extension	Piche
Manpower Consortium	Eckloff/Stubenrauch	KEDA	Piche
Health Department	Stubenrauch/Rajala	Head Start	Rajala
UP Resource Conservation	Rajala	Finance/Budget	Mooney
US Port Authority	None-Ron Lahti	Road Commission	Piche
UPCAP	Stubenrauch	TriCounty Corrections	Rajala
Planning Commission	Piche	WUPPDR	Stubenrauch/Mooney
Substance Abuse	Eckloff	Mental Health	Eckloff
Community Action	Stubenrauch	Recreation Bd-mileage	Rajala
Keweenaw Mountain Lodge	Mooney/Rajala	Resolutions	Full Board
Freedom of Information	Eckloff	UP Fair Authority	Langdon
Veterans Affairs	Rajala		

Motion by Mooney supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to accept the committees as submitted by Chairman Eckloff.

Motion by Mooney supported by Piche and unanimously carried to designate the following as depositories for County funds: River Valley, Range, Superior National, Citizens and North Country Banks.

Motion by Rajala supported by Mooney and unanimously carried to accept the agenda as printed.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to accept the minutes as presented from the December 15, 2010 regular monthly board meeting.

The Treasurer, Sheriff and Mine Inspector reports were received.

Dan Harri, General Manager of the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge was present with his staff. He spoke about what is happening at the Lodge and about the reports that will be forthcoming each month. Dan said that he is

totally transparent when it comes to the Lodge and he believes that the reports are the first of their kind coming from the Lodge. Dan stressed that he would like everyone to stop out there to see for themselves what the Lodge has to offer.

Ron Lahti asked the Board for an amendment to his jail budget. There are repairs that need to be made that were not budgeted for but also there was unexpected revenue from the State for jail room and board. Motion by Mooney supported by Rajala to amend the jail budget for \$2500 allowing the Sheriff to see that necessary repairs are made. Board polled. Ayes: Mooney, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Eckloff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Donna Jaaskelainen was present to talk to the Board about towers and tower leases. The Federal Government has a tower used for communication at Isle Royale. At the present time, they pay \$600 per month and this has been the rate for several years. They are now looking to negotiate for the next four years. Motion by Mooney supported by Rajala to allow Donna Jaaskelainen and Ray Chase to proceed with the negotiations considering the cost of living increases in the past and in the future and to allow the Chairman to sign the new contract once finalized.

There are two more companies, AT&T and Air Cell asking to expand with additional antennas at Mt. Horace Greeley on Building 154. More will be forthcoming as they are talking to Donna Jaaskelainen.

Verizon is looking to lease land from the County on Brockway Mountain. Donna Jaaskelainen will continue negotiating with them and will bring a proposed contract back before the Board.

Time was allowed for public comment.

Jim Vivian said that there was a conflict of interest with a member on the Zoning Board of Appeals and asked that an alternate be added to the Board as soon as possible as there is a hearing coming up soon. Motion by Mooney supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to appoint Shari Chase as an alternate.

Motion by Mooney supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution:  
WHEREAS, Keweenaw County has undertaken a Five Year Parks and Recreation Plan which describes the physical features, existing recreation facilities and the desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain recreation facilities during the period between 2011 and 2015, and  
WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on January 19, 2011 at Keweenaw Courthouse to provide an opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Recreation Plan, and  
WHEREAS, Keweenaw County has developed the plan for the benefit of the entire community and to adopt the plan as a document to assist in meeting the recreation needs of the county, and  
WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners voted to adopt said Recreation Plan.  
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Keweenaw County Recreation Plan 2011-2015 as a guideline for improving recreation for the residents of Keweenaw County. (#11-1)

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts; General Fund=\$175,213.75 Construction Codes Fund=\$2,274.08 911 Fund=\$4,243.21 EDC Fund=\$15,359.22 Law Library=\$106.46 Child Care Fund=\$0 County Veterans Trust Fund=\$0 Register of Deeds Automation Fund=\$0. Board polled. Ayes: Mooney, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Eckloff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mooney supported by Piche and unanimously carried to appoint Eckloff as the Grant Administrator for the County Survey and Remonumentation Program.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to enter into a contract with TopComp for the purpose of software and support for 911 mapping.

Motion by Mooney supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to table Zoning Administrator until February. Eckloff will bring back information to the Board at that time.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala to enter into the contract with Robert Mikesch. Mikesch will prepare the 2010 Financial Statements for Keweenaw County. Board polled. Ayes: Mooney, Stubenrauch, Piche, Rajala, Eckloff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mooney supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to sign the amendment to the Aflac Flexible Benefits Plan as requested.

Motion by Mooney supported by Stubenrauch and unanimously carried to request a 90 day extension from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation regarding the Stamp Sand Reuse Feasibility Study grant. Ray

Chase said that he had spoke to another company that was in favor of the extension and that it would not cost the County anything.

Time was allowed for public comment.

There being no further business motion by Mooney to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Meeting adjourned sine die.

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Randy Eckloff, Chairman

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Julie A. Carlson, Clerk