

PUBLIC HEARING
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
December 18, 2013

Present: Randy Eckloff, Frank Stubenrauch, Ray Chase, Don Piche, Del Rajala.

The Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on December 18, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comment on the 2014 County budgets including the General Fund and all Special Funds. The public hearing was closed at 6:30 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
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The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held December 18, 2013, 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Eagle River, MI, opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioners present: Randy Eckloff, Frank Stubenrauch, Ray Chase, Don Piche, Del Rajala.

Motion by Chase supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to approve the agenda with the addition of William Griffin to be appointed Brownfield Authority.

Motion by Rajala supported by Chase and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on November 20, 2013 and the budget meeting held on December 11, 2013.

The Sheriff, Treasurer and Mine Inspector reports were received.

Donna Jaaskelainen presented the Board with information regarding the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge options that she has been exploring. There are very preliminary discussions about selling, leasing or managing the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge. There will be a public meeting scheduled with one of the companies on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse.

Motion by Rajala supported by Eckloff to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts; General Fund=\$143,333.92 Construction Codes Fund=\$8,186.27 911 Fund=\$1,614.57 Law Library=\$310.83 County Veterans Affairs Fund=\$0. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Chase, Rajala, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Piche supported by Rajala to adopt the following budgets for 2014: General Fund, 911, Friend of the Court, Register of Deeds Automation, Budget Stabilization, Sheriff Training, Jail Commissary, Law Library, Revenue Sharing, Medical Care Facility, Probate Child Care, Veterans Trust, Veteran Affairs, and Building Codes and Building Repair and Maintenance. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Chase, Rajala, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Keweenaw Mountain Lodge budget was not adopted at this meeting.

Motion by Chase supported by Rajala to approve the following budget amendments for 2013:

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	2013	Amended to
631-999 Substance Abuse	4,264	0 (was also included in Transfer out)
Operating Transfer Out- Cigarette Tax	1,000	0
Operating Transfer Out-Probate Child Care	50,000	0
Operating Transfer Out-Building Codes	4,000	0
TOTAL		Reduce expenses by \$59,264 in General Fund

BUILDING CODES FUND 249

REVENUES	2013	Amended to
249-480 Building Permits	13,000	8,000
249-486 Electrical Permits	10,000	7,000
249-487 Mechanical Permits	10,000	29,000
249-488 Plumbing Permits	4,000	3,300
249-489 Soil Erosion Permits	2,000	1,400
600-911 911 Addressing	1,250	1,500

Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Chase, Rajala, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rajala supported by Eckloff to adopt a resolution for Keweenaw County to opt out of P.A. 152 of 2011 that reads:

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2011, P.A. 152 of 2011, an act to limit a public employer's expenditures for employee medical benefits plans, became immediately effective; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners have reviewed the requirements of that Act; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the County's established, long-range budgeting practices that actively balance the interests of taxpayers and County employees, and in keeping with the long established practice of Keweenaw

County employees working with the County to defray escalating costs associated with employees' medical benefit plans and having made wage and salary concessions; and
WHEREAS, Section 8 of Act 152 authorizes a local unit of government, defined to include a county government, upon a 2/3 vote of the governing body, to exempt itself from the requirements of the Act for the next succeeding year; and
WHEREAS, by exempting itself under Section 8 of Act 152 for calendar year 2014, Keweenaw County is allowed prudent time to continue making changes over time that yield significant reductions in health care costs in a manner that is fair to both taxpayers and employees; and
WHEREAS, exempting Keweenaw County from Act 152 for calendar year 2014 is equitable considering that Keweenaw County's employees have already demonstrated by their actions a continuing willingness to fairly share in the burden of meeting the significant economic challenges associated with Michigan's long recession;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that acting pursuant to the authority granted a county under Section 8 of Act 152, the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby exempts Keweenaw County government from the requirements of P.A. 152 of 2011 for calendar year 2014. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Chase, Rajala Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried. (#13-9)

Motion by Chase supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to reappoint the following:
Planning Commission (John Parsons, Ned Huwatschek) 3 yr term expiring 12/31/2016
Zoning Board of Appeals (Pauline Johnson, Steve Peters) 3 yr term expiring 12/31/2016
Brownfield (Mark Klemp) 3 yr term expiring 12/31/2016
Appoint to Brownfield (William Griffin) 1 year term expiring 12/31/2014

Motion by Rajala supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to enter into a license agreement with UPPCO from 1/1/2014 through 12/31/16 for the tower at the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge at the rate of \$200 per month.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to approve the Special Use Permits for the Keweenaw Historical Society for the following museums: Houghton Township Hall, #2013-10-01 A and the Gay School Museum in Sherman Township, #2013-10-01 B.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Chase and unanimously carried to approve the 2014 Survey and Remonumentation Grant Application in the amount of \$44,052.

Motion by Rajala supported by Eckloff to enter into the contract with Robert Mikesch for the 2013 Financials as proposed. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Chase, Rajala, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board previously approved Mr. Mikesch to come in to set up Quickbooks 2014 and that is also included in this contract.

Motion by Rajala supported by Eckloff to change the Magistrate compensation from per diem daily to a salary for 2014. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Stubenrauch, Chase, Rajala, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Time was allowed for public comment.

Motion by Rajala to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned sine die.

Donald Piche, Chairman

Julie A. Carlson, Clerk

2014 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

GENERAL FUND	REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	EXPENDITURES AND OTHER SOURCES
Taxes and Penalties	1,331,200	
License and Permits	2,920	
Federal Grants	5,250	
State Grants	167,659	
Charges for Services	39,550	
Use & Admission Fees	5,600	
Fines and Forfeits	200	
Interests and Rents	66,594	
Other Revenue	39,000	
Operating Transfer In	46,000	
Appropriations		800
Legislative		30,154
Judicial		277,137
General Government		584,457
Public Safety		759,245
Health and Welfare		48,972
Community & Development		27,917
Recreation and Cultural		550
Insurance		49,344
Capital Outlay		0
Operating Transfer Out		64,700
Appropriation from Fund Balance	139,303	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	1,843,276	1,843,276
	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	
MEDICAL CARE FACILITY FUND 291		
Interest	6,500	
Medical Care Facility		20,500
Appropriation from Fund Balance	14,000	
TOTAL	20,500	20,500
REVENUE SHARING FUND 285		
Interest	3,700	
Transfer Out		46,000
Appropriation from Fund Balance	42,300	
TOTAL	46,000	46,000
REGISTER OF DEEDS AUTO FUND 256		
Register of Deeds Services	3,500	
Interest	200	
General Government		5,000
Appropriation from Fund Balance	1,300	
TOTAL	5,000	5,000
LAW LIBRARY FUND 269		
Penal Fines	2,000	
Operating Transfer In	4,000	
Judicial		4,000
TOTAL	6,000	4,000
VETERANS TRUST FUND 294		
State Grants	3,000	
Health and Welfare		2,000
TOTAL	3,000	2,000
911 FUND 261		
State Grants	111,500	
Public Safety		81,921
TOTAL	111,500	81,921
SHERIFFS TRAINING FUND 264		
Charges for Services	150	
Training		300
Appropriation from Fund Balance	150	
TOTAL	300	300
CONSTRUCTION CODES FUND 249		
Permits	29,750	
Public Safety		33,425
Appropriation from Fund Balance	4,000	
TOTAL	33,750	33,425
FRIEND OF COURT FUND 215		
Charges for Services	400	
Judicial		0
TOTAL	400	0

	REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	EXPENDITURES AND OTHER SOURCES
KEWEENAW PARK FUND 208		
Charges for Services		
Interests and Rents		
Recreation and Cultural		
Capital Outlay		
Debt Services		
TOTAL	0	0
PROBATE CHILD CARE AND JUVENILE FUND 292		
Grants	65,000	
Operating Transfer In	50,000	
Health and Welfare		115,000
TOTAL	115,000	115,000
JAIL COMMISSARY 265		
Charges for Services	2,200	
Expenditures		2,200
TOTAL	2,200	2,200
VETERANS AFFAIRS 295		
Taxes	11,000	
Delinquent Taxes	820	
Commercial Forest	1,000	
Interest	50	
Expenditures		6,919
TOTAL	12,870	6,919
BUILDING REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE 248		
Taxes	60,020	
Commercial Forest	5,175	
Tax Collection Fees	500	
Interest	125	
Expenditures		62,250
	65,820	62,250