

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 17, 2014

The Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing at 6:15 p.m. at the Courthouse in Eagle River to receive public input on the proposed application for \$183,725 Housing Rehabilitation Grant through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. The grant would provide assistance to approximately five low or moderate income homeowners for rehabilitation and weatherization of their homes. There was no public comment as there was only one person in the audience from the DNR. The public hearing closed at 6:25 p.m.

The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners held September 17, 2014, 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse, Eagle River, MI, opened with the pledge of allegiance.

There was a moment of silence for Commissioner Frank Stubenrauch that passed away on August 22nd. Frank was a county commissioner for 22 years and his dedication and service to Keweenaw County will be missed.

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

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

Motion by Chase supported Eckloff and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Chase and unanimously carried to accept the minutes as presented from the August 20, 2014 regular monthly board meeting.

The Sheriff and Mine Inspector reports were received.

Time was allowed for public comment.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Chase to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts; General Fund=\$133,122.58 Construction Codes Fund=\$1,302.65 911 Fund=\$2,525.58 Law Library=\$129.83 Child Care Fund=\$7,885.84 County Veterans Affairs Fund=\$0 Courthouse Improvement Fund=\$ Register of Deeds Automation Fund=\$0. Board polled. Ayes: Eckloff, Chase, Piche. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Piche supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to appoint Robert DeMarois to the District 4 County Commissioner vacancy due to the death of Frank Stubenrauch. The term ends on 12/31/2014.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Chase and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution regarding the proposed application through MSHDA for the Housing Rehab Grant.

WHEREAS, the County of Keweenaw is interested in the continuing effort to update housing conditions for its low and moderate income homeowners; and

WHEREAS, said County Board of Commissioners has reviewed and approved the application for the forgivable loan, homeowner, single-family housing rehabilitation funds through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, said County Board of Commissioners has reviewed and approved the Keweenaw County CDBG Housing Program Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, said County Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Elected Official to sign all forms as required;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board of Commissioners authorize Keweenaw County to submit the application for funding in the amount of \$183,725 through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.

Motion carried. (#14-6)

Motion by Chase supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution regarding MSHDA funds to Keweenaw County for homeowner rehabilitation projects through Community Development Block Grant County Allocation Programs and as part of the program, Allouez Township is the eligible county allocation community as determined by "Place-Based Targeting Strategy" as required by MSHDA.

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) provides funds to Keweenaw County for homeowner rehabilitation and related projects through the Community Development Block Grant County Allocation Program; and

WHEREAS, MSHDA requires that 100 percent of funds awarded under the County Allocation Program be directed to eligible "county allocation communities" in the county, based on several established criteria; and

WHEREAS, a "Place-Based Targeting Strategy" is required by MSHDA and is in place to guide the use of funds in the county allocation communities; and

WHEREAS, MSHDA has approved selection of Allouez Township as the eligible county allocation community; and

WHEREAS, WUPPDR recommends selection of the above-mentioned communities as county allocation communities for the Community Development Block Grant County Allocation Program 2014-2016 grant cycle;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners, at a regularly scheduled meeting held on Wednesday September 17, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the County Courthouse, 5095 4th Street, Eagle River, MI 49950

That the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners select Allouez Township as the county allocation community for the 2014-2016 MSHDA Community Development Block Grant County Allocation Program.

Motion carried. (#14-7)

Motion by Chase supported by Eckloff and unanimously carried to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. regarding the contract for the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge General Manager.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Chase and unanimously carried to renew the Memorandum of Agreement between Keweenaw County and the Western Upper Peninsula Substance Abuse Services Coordinating Agency for continued participation in the Employee Assistance Program for a period from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Chase and unanimously carried to set up a budget meeting to discuss the current budget as well as the 2015 budget. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Eckloff supported by Piche and unanimously carried to allow Chase to attend the UPACC Fall Conference on October 16th and 17th and to pay any expenses that are incurred.

Time was allowed for public comment.

There being no further business motion by Eckloff to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Meeting adjourned sine die.

Donald Piche, Chairman

Julie A. Carlson, Clerk