

**Building Grounds and Jail, Legislative and Natural Resources and  
Information Technology Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
February 12, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners' Building, Grounds and Jail, Legislative and Natural Resources and Information Technology Committee was held on Monday, February 12, 2024, at the U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc. Office in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Chairman Traynor called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. with a quorum present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Traynor, Scott Shackleton, and Robert Savoie

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jeremy Gagnon, Mike Bitnar, and Kelly Church

**Additions/Deletions and Approval of the Agenda**

**It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Savoie, to approve the agenda as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.**

**Public Comments**

No public comments were offered.

**Agenda Items**

**Building and Grounds**

**Sheriff's Department – Storage Building Bid Tabulation & Recommendation**

The Committee reviewed the bid tabulations for the proposed 180' x 60' storage facility building including HVAC, electrical and site work for the Chippewa County Sheriff. A total of five bids were received with the low bid of \$1,230,850.00 from Arbic Construction, Inc., being recommended by U.P. Engineers & Architects' Jeremy Gagnon. The Committee discussed the project briefly.

**It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to approve the low bid of \$1,230,850.00 from Arbic Construction, Inc, which was recommended by U.P. Engineers & Architects. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.**

**Animal Shelter Update**

No action was taken as the Committee was updated on the progress and the finances of the Animal Shelter Addition and Renovation; the windows went in last week on the addition; discussed the upcoming millage language for the August ballot.

**Other**

No action was taken on the upcoming 2024 project which include: adding a whisper room in the District Courtroom (paid by MIDC grant); that will include electrical, painting and carpet needs. The Committee was updated on a facia issue on the north end of the Courthouse, which a piece appears to be rotten and fell off the building. This will need to be corrected prior to re-painting the Circuit Courtroom ceiling and then replacing the carpeting in Circuit Court too. These projects could keep the Courtroom down for a minimum of two weeks, if we can get everything done during the same time frame. The Committee also looked at a quote from Lumichrom Commercial Clocks to repair and update the clock on the Courthouse. A meeting will be established for the beginning of March with Lumichron and the Committee. We have a flag pole to get updated, some trees to

be inspected, sprayed, and trimmed; the Courthouse exterior doors refinished and replace some chair in the District Court hallway.

**Committee and Chairman's Comments**

No additional comments.

**Adjourn**

**It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner Shackleton, to adjourn the meeting. On a voice vote, the motion was CARRIED.**

Chairman Traynor declared the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

  
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Kelly J. Church, Recorder

  
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Jim Traynor, Committee Chairman