

**CHIPPEWA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Session
June 11, 2018

The Chippewa County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, June 11, 2018 in the 91st District Courtroom of the Chippewa County Building.

Chairman Scott Shackleton called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

Present: Commissioners Jim Martin, Don McLean, Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton

Absent: Commissioner Conor Egan

Also Present: Scott Brand, Jim Traynor, Karen Senkus, Lana Forrest, Paul Stanaway, William Dyke Justin, Alison Innerebner, A. Innerebner, Administrator Jim German
Deputy Administrator Kelly Church and Cathy Maleport, Clerk.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to accept the agenda as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of May 14, 2018 together with the corrections to the April 9, 2018 regular Board meeting minutes, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE

It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to acknowledge the correspondence received in the clerk's office and, if necessary, forward as appropriate. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Attorney Tim Moher appeared before the Board seeking a more active role from the County for assistance concerning winter navigation of the river.
- Seeking assistance for the restoration of the Sault Area High School's pool, Attorney William Dyke Justin/Coach of the Sault Competitive Aquatics Team (SCAT) appeared before the Board to address his concerns with the closing of the LSSU's pool and the condition of the Sault Area High School pool.

- Alison Innerebner a middle school teacher at JKL Bahweting appeared before the Board also seeking assistance for the restoration of the Sault Area High School’s pool and noted that the Sault High Pool has helped to “drown-proof” her students who have learned to swim at that facility.
- Alicia Woodard, executive staff of the SCAT Board appeared before the Commission addressing her support to save the Sault High School pool.
- Seeking the County’s support in helping restore the Sault Area High School’s pool, Andrew Innerebner appeared before the Board on behalf of the SCAT swimmers, the Northern MI Narwhal swimmers, and the Blue Devil’s Swim Team.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT– Jim German, given for informational purposes only – *no action items.*

OLD BUSINESS

(A)C-L-M Community Action – Board member vacancy – chair appointment, must be an elected official

Chairman Scott Shackleton appointed Anthony Stackpoole, Chippewa County Drain Commissioner to fill the Community Action Board vacancy.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Resolution 18-11 – Special Tribute Honoring Johann Ingold

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve Resolution 18-11 as follows:

**PROCLAMATION 18-11
SPECIAL TRIBUTE HONORING
Johann Ingold**

WHEREAS, the County of Chippewa and its residents remember a community educator and leader Johann Ingold upon his passing May 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, in honoring a special community citizen and leader, we recognize Johann Ingold as a gentleman, educator, leader and friend; through his kind friendship and his professionalism has placed him in the highest of honors; and

WHEREAS, Johann Ingold has served the Community through the Sault Ste. Marie Area School System and through C-L-M Community Action Agency, and has advanced the goals of each of these entities; and

WHEREAS, Johann Ingold has earned the respect and gratitude of the citizens of Chippewa County

through his many contributions to education and the well-being of its citizens, and who made a favorable impact on the betterment of life in Chippewa County, and

WHEREAS, the County of Chippewa and its residents will share in honoring Johann Ingold, and taking this time to remember his contributions to the community and to commemorate the commitment to a better place which he has inspired; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens, friends and family of Johann Ingold officially honor him with this Special Tribute for his accomplishments and of our gratitude for the contributions he has made for the Sault Ste. Marie Area of Chippewa County.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Jim Martin, Don McLean, Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton

Nays: None

RESOLUTION 18-11 WAS DECLARED ADOPTED

B) Resolution 18-12 – Special Recognition of Ronald Carrick, Jr.

It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to accept Resolution 18-12 as follows:

**RESOLUTION 18-12
SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

Ronald Carrick, Jr.

LET IT BE KNOWN that it is with great pride that the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners join together with the employees and residents of Chippewa County, to Express their wishes of health and happiness upon his medical retirement from the Chippewa County Sheriff's Department.

RONALD CARRICK JR. has served not only the citizens of Chippewa County, but also its visitor's in a manner above reproach, and for this we extend our thanks.

RONALD CARRICK JR. has provided outstanding service to thousands of individuals for almost the past twenty (20) years. Holding various positions within the Chippewa County Sheriff's Department.

RONALD CARRICK JR. has brought recognition to himself, the community and the County of Chippewa. The Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Chippewa County, extends their appreciation to a gentleman who is thoughtful, caring, involved and dedicated, and who made a favorable impact on the betterment of life in

Chippewa County.

IN SPECIAL TRIBUTE, therefore, upon his leaving Chippewa County, this document is signed and dedicated to honor ***RONALD CARRICK JR.***, for his countless contributions to Chippewa County and the individuals he served so well. For his untiring efforts in improving the safety and wellbeing of the citizens of this County, we join together to extend ***RONALD CARRICK JR.***, a gracious thank you for a job well done, and wish him continued success in which he so richly deserves.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Jim Martin, Don McLean, Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton

Nays: None

RESOLUTION 18-12 WAS DECLARED ADOPTED

C) Resolution 18-13 – Imposing 2017 Property Tax Levy

It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to approve Resolution 18-13 as follows:

**CHIPPEWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION 18-13**

RESOLUTION IMPOSING 2017 PROPERTY TAX LEVY PURSUANT TO MCL 211.24e, 211.34, 211.34d, 211.36, 211.37, and 211.44a, AND NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION OF 2016 COUNTY TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, Chippewa County is authorized under the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, as amended, to levy and collect its allocated and voted property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act has been amended by Public Act 357 of 2004, being MCL 211.44a, to require each Michigan County to levy and collect its allocated millage in the summer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004, 6.15 mills, which is the County allocated millage, after application of the “Headlee” millage reduction fraction, shall be levied and collected on July 1, 2018, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other anticipated and authorized County operating millages, i.e., EMS millage of .4275 mill, road millage of .9879 mill, Recycling Programs millage of .5000 mill, Senior Programs millage of .4994 mill, and Animal Shelter millage of .1 mill, after application of the “Headlee” and other applicable millage reduction fractions, will be levied and collected on December 1, 2018, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of each city, village and township in Chippewa County is directed to account for and deliver the County tax collections for 2018 in accordance with the provisions of statute pertaining to such collections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution constitutes certification of the lev of the County millages as above described and as set forth on the 2018 Tax Rate Request (L4029); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be delivered to the Treasurer of each City, Village and Township in Chippewa County.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Jim Martin, Don McLean, Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton

Nays: None

RESOLUTION 18-13 WAS DECLARED ADOPTED

D) Resolution 18-14 – Special Recognition of Sgt. Matthew Casselman

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve Resolution 18-14 as follows:

RESOLUTION 18-14

**RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION
OF SERGEANT MATTHEW CASSELMAN**

WHEREAS, *Sergeant Matthew Casselman* has served the Michigan State Police for 25 Years; these 25 years have been served at the Lansing Post and from the Sault Ste. Marie Post; as a trooper; and then promoted to ***Sergeant Matthew Casselman*** at the St. Ignace Post and will finish his career from the Sault Ste. Marie Post; and

WHEREAS, *Sergeant Matthew Casselman* has worked diligently and tirelessly at upholding and exemplifying the highly professional image of the Michigan State Police; Sergeant Matthew Casselman's work ethic, his integrity and his attention to detail have earned him the highest regard by all his fellow Troopers, his peers and his supervisors; and

WHEREAS, *Sergeant Matthew Casselman* has been a leader, mentor, and role model who has had a profound influence on those around him, he is an inspiration to all. He will retire from service with the Michigan State Police, May 31, 2018 with 25 years of service to the Michigan State Police; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the Chippewa County board of Commissioners respectfully dedicates this document to honor and thank ***Sergeant Matthew Casselman*** for his many years of public service with the

State of Michigan and especially for his work in Chippewa County.

2. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners extends their best wishes to ***Sergeant Matthew Casselman*** for many years of enjoyment upon his retirement.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Jim Martin, Don McLean, Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton

Nays: None

RESOLUTION 18-14 WAS DECLARED ADOPTED

- E) Resolution 18-15 Special Recognition of Trooper Patrick Baldwin

It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to accept Resolution 18-15 as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 18-15

**RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION
OF TROOPER PATRICK BALDWIN**

WHEREAS, Trooper Patrick Baldwin was accepted and graduated from the Michigan State Police 108TH Recruit School in June of 1993; after serving five years with the Marine Corps, he served the Michigan State Police at Gladstone, Stephenson, Iron Mountain and the Sault Ste. Marie Posts and is ending his career from the DeTour Detachment in the Eastern Upper Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Patrick Baldwin has worked exhaustively and diligently at upholding and representing the highly professional image of the Michigan State Police; **Trooper Patrick Baldwin's** work ethic, his integrity and his attention to detail have earned him the uppermost regard by all his fellow Troopers, his peers and his supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Patrick Baldwin will retire from service with the Michigan State Police, effective June of 2018 after 25 years of service to the Michigan State Police, one of his many accomplishments includes locating a lost hunter by swimming through a frigid river and returning him to safety and saving a woman's life by rendering CPR and resuscitating her; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners respectfully dedicates this document to honor and thank **Trooper Patrick Baldwin** for his many years of public service with the State of Michigan and especially for his work in Chippewa County.
2. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners extends their best wishes to **Trooper Patrick Baldwin** for many years of enjoyment in his retirement.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Jim Martin, Don McLean, Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton

Nays: None

RESOLUTION 18-15 WAS DECLARED ADOPTED

F) Resolution 18-16 – Special Tribute Honoring Paul Clement

It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to accept Resolution 18-16 as follows:

RESOLUTION 18-16
SPECIAL TRIBUTE HONORING
Paul Clement

LET IT BE KNOWN that it is with great pride that the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners join together with the residents of Chippewa County, to express their appreciation and to honor Paul Clement following his death for his many years of services to the Chippewa County Department of Veterans Affairs.

PAUL CLEMENT not only served Chippewa County, but also his County after enlisting in the U.S. Army serving as an Airborne Assault Paratrooper during the Vietnam War serving with the 101st Airborne Screaming Eagles from 1967-1968. Paul was wounded on September 9, 1968. Paul was awarded two bronze stars with oak leaf cluster for Valor and the Purple Heart.

PAUL CLEMENT was a special community citizen and leader; we recognize this outstanding individual of the community who is representative of all that is good in leadership, responsibility, enthusiasm and inspiration. Such characteristics embody the attributes for success in any area of endeavor and will not only bring personal satisfaction but also contribute to the well-being of many others.

PAUL CLEMENT was an active member in the Buddy to Buddy Volunteer Veteran program, an officer for the DAV, a Life Time Member of the VFW CCH and Member of American Legion. In Paul's own words on his Vietnam experience "*The proudest time of my life was serving with all the men of the 3rd Battalion, 506th Airborne Infantry, and 101st Airborne Division. I will cherish their friendship always.*"

PAUL CLEMENT has brought opportunities, solutions, and much advancement to our County veterans. Throughout his tenure ***Paul Clement*** has shown professionalism; selflessness; care and concern for others; and a man who has stood up for his principles time and again.

IN SPECIAL TIRBUTE, therefore, upon his recent death this document is signed and dedicated to honor ***Paul Clement*** for his services and his contributions to Chippewa County and the United States of America, in memory of one of our own Chippewa County Veterans.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Jim Martin, Don McLean, Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton

Nays: None

RESOLUTION 18-16 WAS DECLARED ADOPTED

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Commissioner Martin, Chairman – June 7, 2018

AGENDA ITEMS

Health Department – Community Health Accreditation Program Agreement – 3 year estimated cost of \$25,600 (for home health & hospice services).

The Committee reviewed the Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP) three (3) year services agreement with the Chippewa County Health Department at an estimated cost of \$25,600.00. The scope of work provided to the Health Department includes comprehensive education, consultation, site visits and accreditation determination, including complaints management, online Directory of Accredited Organizations, listing in the community Health Resources Guide and verification with third-parties for DDHD's Home Health and Hospice Services.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to approve the Community Health Accreditation Program Agreement (CHAP) for three years, at an estimated cost of \$25,600.00 for the Home Health and Hospice Services. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously carried.

Health Department – Pink Ribbon Request #18-07 - \$2,701.16

The Committee reviewed Pink Ribbon request #18-07 in the amount of \$2,701.46; the current balance of the Pink Ribbon funds is \$49,256.32.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve Pink Ribbon request #18-07 in the amount of \$2,701.46. On a voice vote, the motion unanimously carried.

Health Department – Rescind “Chippewa County Sanitary Code, Article VII, Body Art Establishments and Practitioners”

The Committee reviewed the request to rescind “Chippewa County Sanitary Code, Article VII, Body Art Establishments and Practitioners” as the State of Michigan did enact Act #375, of PA

2010 which now governs body art facilities, so the County Code may be rescinded.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to approve rescinding the Chippewa County Sanitary Code, Article VII, Body Art Establishments and Practitioners. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Health Department – Policies

The Committee reviewed the policy changes from the accreditation and program requirements for the following policies: 15.300.037 – Family Planning Fees, 5.000.002 – Immunization Program Orientation and Continuing Education. 5.009.001 – Child and Adolescent Immunizations, 5.009.011 – VAERS Reporting, 5.009.013 – Immunization Recall Private Providers, 5.009.025 – VIS Distribution, 5.009.027 – Travel Vaccine, 5.009.032 – Plan to Reduce Borrowing, 5.009.033 – VFC, MI AVP, 5.009.034 – WIC/MCIR Plan, 5.009.035 – Recall/Profile Reports, 5.009.036 – Adult Immunizations, 5.009.037 – Eligibility Assessment, 5.009.038 – Follow up for non-compliant school enterers, 5.009.039 – follow up for delinquent schools, 5.009.040 – Storage and handling, 5.009.041 – Storage, Security and Emergency Plan, 5.009.042 – Sensaphone, 5.009.043 – VFC and Private Purchase, 5.009.044 – Ordering and Receiving, 5.009.045 – Fraud and Abuse, 5.009.046 – Return/Wastage Reports, 5.009.047 – Standing Orders, 5.009.048 – Waiver Policy, 5.009.049 – VFC Provider Enrollment.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve the updated policies as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Health Department – Purchase Tradesman Cargo Van (Needle Exchange)

The Committee reviewed the single bid from the previously approved RFQ and grant increase for the newly developed Needle Exchange Program which is funding this vehicle.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve the bid to purchase a Tradesman Cargo Van, from O'Connor Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram at the bid price of \$25,033.00. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Health Department – Sale of 2007 Ford Fusion

The Committee reviewed the bid summary from the sale of the 2007 Ford Fusion, one bid was received in the amount of \$356.00; the vehicle is being sold “as is”.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to authorize the sale of the 2007 Ford Fusion “as is” to Rudy Johnson for \$356.00. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Health Department – Hire Home Health Nurse at two year rate

The Committee reviewed the request to hire a home health nurse at the two year rate, based on their prior qualifications and experiences. This is for a full-time case manager position.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to authorize the hiring for the full-time case manager nursing position at the two-year rate of pay (\$24.86/hr.) based on their qualifications and prior experience. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Sheriff Department – Jail Plumbing

The Committee reviewed two quotes from Cardinal Plumbing for Sections B and C, which have

continually had backup problems; discussion followed regarding the difficulty of getting quotes and/or services, which is why the Committee is being asked to waive the County's bid policy for this project. The Section B cost is \$3,528.80 and Section C is \$14,115.20.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to authorize the contract work for the Chippewa County Jail Sections B (\$3,528.80) and C (\$14,115.20) by Cardinal Plumbing, and to waive the County Policy due to the difficulties of obtaining other quotes and/or services for this job. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Sheriff Department – Out of State Travel

The Committee reviewed an out of state travel request from the Sheriff's Department to send staff to training in Marinette, Wisconsin, so that this employee could come back and be the trainer for the other employees. They will be attending the Nova Instructor Course at the price of \$909.02.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve the out of state travel to Marinette Wisconsin for Nova Instructor Course, at an approximate cost of \$909.25. On a voice vote, the motion unanimously carried.

Sheriff Department – CHC Inmate Medical Renewal w/additional hours

The Committee reviewed and was updated on the progression of the Correctional Healthcare Companies (CHC) who provides medical care services for the detainees at the Chippewa County Jail. The contract is increasing by the Consumer Price Index of 2.2%; and also adding an additional 16 hours of nursing on site, which will provide additional coverage on the weekends, or possibly have the two nurses at the same time during the week, to provide not only the medical care, but to keep up with the necessary paperwork.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to approve the renewal of the Correctional Healthcare Companies (CHC) to provide medical care services for the detainees at the Chippewa County Jail. The renewal includes additional 16 hours of services; and an increase in total price of 2.2% the current Consumer Price Index. The monthly rate effective October 3, 2018 will be \$16,723.14 per month, for the renewal and an additional \$3,718.58 per month for the additional 16 hours per week. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Sheriff Department – Control Center Upgrades Process (waive policy sole provider)

The Committee reviewed a budgeted expenditure to replace the countertops and cabinets in the Control Center of the jail. This has been replaced twice in the past 14 years with products that have not been able to withstand the 24/7/365 regular wear and tear, partially due to the equipment that the officers carry. The budgeted request is to replace with stainless steel cabinets and countertops was estimated at \$30,000 - \$40,000.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to approve the replacement of cabinets and countertops in the Chippewa County Jail Control Center; to waive the County Policy and have the local sole provider provide a finalized quote; the project shall not exceed \$40,000.00. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Administration - 2017 Audit (accept & authorize distribution)

The Committee commended the Judges, Elected and Appointed Officials and all departmental staff for all the hard work they provide to Chippewa County.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to approve and authorize distribution of the 12/31/17 Audit as presented and provided by Anderson, Tackman and Company. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Administration – Point of entry Roof Structure

The Committee reviewed the prior bids and process for the Point of Entry Roof Structure for the new main entrance (handicapped ramp area); a roof structure is necessary to eliminate the snow melt/fall from the roof of the Courthouse. A few other solutions were briefly discussed including heat tape, a roof rake being used from above and possibly just closing the area when there is a potential risk. The ramp was closed twice this past year until the snow fell off. The Committee discussed the potential liability, and the project being a cost of doing to business, to provide a safe entryway.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie to use the original bid previously received and to get the point of entry roof structure completed. A discussion followed regarding safety and bids for a small roof structure. On a voice vote the motion failed having two Nays, Commissioner Robert Savoie and Chairman Scott Shackleton.

It was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner Martin to take it out for re-bids. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Administration – County Building Elevator Modernization

The Committee reviewed documentation from Otis Elevator; whom we are currently under contract with for elevator services and maintenance. The County Building Elevator needs an upgrade due to age, wear and tear, and the difficulty of replacement parts. The modernization project would include a HydroAccel system which is the current elevator technology, and will increase the elevator's reliability and performance, as well as, to meet the latest building and elevator codes. The price to complete the modernization is \$69,531.00.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to waive County policy for bidding and to approve and authorize the Chippewa County elevator modernization project with Otis Elevator Company, at a price not to exceed \$69,531.00. On a voice vote, the motion unanimously carried.

Administration – Non-Union Pay Scale (County & Health Department, full & part time)

The Committee reviewed the current Non-Union pay scales, non-union employees have not received an increase since 2015, when they last received a 1% increase. The Committee discussed the complexity of negotiations and maintaining equality for employees. A brief discussion followed.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to authorize a 1.5% wage increase, retroactively to January 1, 2018 and an additional 1% effective January 1, 2019, to all non-union pay scales for both the County and the Health Department; including the Administrator's contract, for this increase, as well as any future. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Administration – Jail 79 hour positions (increase by two positions & Central Dispatch 79 hour positions (increase by one and match pay)

The Committee was asked to authorize two additional 79 hour positions at \$15.00 per hour for the Jail; for a total of six 79 hour positions, and one additional 79 hour position for Central Dispatch; for a total of three positions, and to change the Dispatch 79 hour position to \$15.00 per hour, as they were previously not increased. These positions are offered single health care coverage, with the employee paying for 20% of the monthly health care premium. These positions are available since the County is below ACA guide lines, examples were provided for review.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to authorize two additional 79 hour positions for the Jail (for a total of six) and to authorize one additional 79 hour position for Central Dispatch (for a total of three); and to increase Central Dispatch to \$15.00 per hour, which matches the positions in the Jail. A brief discussion followed. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Administration – Land Transaction – Whitefish Township – 76 acres

The Committee reviewed a land transaction between and a private individual and the DNR regarding property in Whitefish Township (76 acres), the DNR sought responses by June 26, 2018.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, that the County has no issues with the Baraga and Chippewa County Land Transaction with the DNR. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Administration – Jail Authorization filling two full-time positions (one retirement & one LTD)

The Committee was asked to review and authorize filling two full-time positions, due to an upcoming retirement (October 1, 2018) and another for an LTD claim. The LTD position will be filled with the knowledge that the position will be held for two years from the date of the Long term Disability benefits began.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to authorize filling two full-time positions immediately, following past practice of leaving the LTD position open for the current employee and to fill the retirement position, due to the medical leave. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

LSSU Pool Closure/SAHS Pool Failure

Finance Chairman Martin asked that the LSSU Pool Closure/SAHS Pool Failure be an agenda item to discuss helping to save the SAHS pool, which will require approximately \$800,000.00 - \$900,000.00. It is hoped that the pool at SAHS can be turned into a community pool; and many agencies will be approached to help, grants are being sought.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to approve a motion to discuss the SAHS pool. On a voice vote, the motion carried with Commissioner Savoie voting Nay.

Commissioner Martin began the discussion and explained that the reason he wanted to do this, is not because he is a Sault Schools employee, it is because he is a coach and knows how important physical activity is. He noted that we are surrounded by water and to lose this community asset would be a tragedy.

Commissioner Savoie expressed his concerns stating that he knows the pool is very important to the community and no one can deny that; but, we are the County Board of Commissioners and we're supposed to be providing services to our citizens equal to everyone; we're singling out one school district here, and referenced the constitution.

Commissioner McLean noted that he recognizes what Commissioner Savoie communicated, but he supports the Board doing something. The pool is important; it is a community asset.

Chairman Shackleton also shared his concerns and noted that allocating money becomes problematic; we cannot fix every problem we see, further noting that there are legal issues as the county cannot just make a donation.

Finance – Claims and Accounts

The Committee reviewed the bills and payroll presented for approval.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to recommend the approval of May bills and payroll as follows: the general claims totaling \$775,684.10, other fund claims of \$332,652.56, payroll of \$463,196.77, Health Department claims of \$322,493.24 and Health Department payroll of \$191,708.50; total claims of \$2,085,735.17 and vouchers H-1 through H-269. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Savoie, to accept the Finance Claims and Accounts meeting minutes of June 7, 2018 as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

COMMISSIONER REPORT ON MEETINGS AS BOARD REPRESENTATIVE AND GENERAL COMMENTS

Among some of the comments were the following:

- Commissioner McLean addressed his concerns with Sugar Island and Neebish Island residents, concerning winter navigation of the river and complimented Mr. Moher on documents he provided.
- Chairman Shackleton raised questions regarding this same matter and asked if our congressman has been asked to help with this, Mr. Moher stated that they have asked them for help and they have been reluctant. Recognizing that Mr. Moher is seeking a more active role from the county, Chairman Shackleton appointed Commissioner McLean to represent the county with these issues.
- Commissioner Martin reported on the EUPTA meeting he attended and noted that there was a committee that kept the lines of communications open between the Coast Guard. It consisted of the Tribe, City, County, Coast Guard, Island Government and the Corp of Engineers. Questions were raised as to who put this committee together, who made it happen.

Having completed the agenda items; it was moved by Commissioner Savoie, seconded by Commissioner McLean, to adjourn. The Board adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine C. Maleport, Clerk

Scott Shackleton, Chairman