

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, held at the Chippewa County Courthouse, 319 Court St., Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on the ninth day of May 14, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Scott Shackleton, Jim Moore, Don Cooper, Ted Postula, Don McLean, Jesse Knoll and George Kinsella

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner McLean.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-08
RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO
ELIMINATION OF PERIMETER PATROLS
AT MICHIGAN PRISONS

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan is eliminating the perimeter patrols for the Department of Corrections prison systems particularly, those in Chippewa County; and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners understands the State of Michigan needs to save budgetary dollars with regards to the Department of Corrections, but also has the responsibility to protect the citizens health and safety of those living near, working in, and visiting areas not only Chippewa County prisons but all prisons throughout the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners wishes to assure the continued safety of our citizens and visitors which was demonstrated during a thwarted escape from Kinross Correctional Facility in July 2010. As the system of perimeter vehicles, fences and electronic surveillance stopped the escape from occurring; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners understands the needs to cut budgetary dollars from the Department of Corrections; but we do not believe that eliminating part of the safety system that has proven to work is the best option for the safety and welfare of Chippewa County citizens, it's visitors, nor the employees of the facilities effected by this change; and
2. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners respectfully requests that the State of Michigan continue to provide assurances of safety and not eliminate the perimeter patrols at Michigan Prisons, and;

A VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS

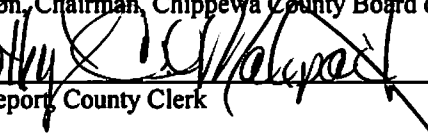
AYES: Shackleton, Moore, Cooper, Postula, McLean, Knoll and Kinsella

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.




Scott Shaekleton, Chairman, Chippewa County Board of Commissioners



Catherine Maleport, County Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF CHIPPEWA)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by the County Board of Commissioners of Chippewa County at a regular meeting held on the date first stated above, and I further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.



Catherine Maleport, County Clerk