

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 fourteenth day of August, 2011 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. 11-13**

#### **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE FUNDING TO CONTINUED MONITORING OF THE LAKE GEORGE CHANNEL AND THE NORTH SHORE OF SUGAR ISLAND**

**WHEREAS**, continued allegations have been made and with the history of the discharge of contaminated sewage into the St. Mary's River that has resulted in thick layers of contaminated sediment on the north shore of Sugar Island, Michigan which is a threat to the health and safety to residents of the island and all people living along the River, and all who use that section of St. Mary's River for swimming, recreation, enjoyment and business; and

**WHEREAS**, the large volumes of contaminated sediment has adversely impacted not only the residents of this area but also the natural resources, tourism and local business activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the continued discharge of contaminated sewage is not acceptable and correction of this situation is vital to maintaining the health of local residents and visitors and a healthy local economy which continues to be threatened by these discharges; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Chippewa County and its visitors to the area wish to encourage the continued investigative monitoring by the Chippewa County Health Department and to formally request the involvement, commitment, and funding, of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as follows:

1. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners supports the Chippewa County Health Department in seeking funds for the continued investigative monitoring of the St. Mary's River, Lake George Channel and the North Shore of Sugar Island from the MDEQ.
2. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that the MDEQ, provide funding to continue a thorough investigation using current and historical data of contaminated sewage discharges into the International Waters of the St. Mary's River, and take all necessary actions to eliminate this unfair and unhealthy assault on our communities.
3. That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the MDEQ, Governor Rick Snyder, Michigan Senator Walker, Michigan Representative Frank Foster, and the Chippewa County Health Department.

A VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS

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

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

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Scott Shackleton, Chairman, Chippewa County Board of Commissioners

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Diane S. Cork, 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.

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Diane S. Cork, County Clerk