

**FINANCE, CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
February 6th, 2014**

A regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners' Finance, Claims and Accounts Committee was held on Thursday, February 6th, 2014 at the Chippewa County Courthouse in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Chairman Cooper called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Cooper, Scott Shackleton George Kinsella, Don Mclean and Ted Postula

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Kathy Noel, Margie Hank, Paul Stanaway, Sharon Kennedy, Michelle Schroeder, Paul Stanaway, Tim McKee and Jim German

Additions / Deletions to the Agenda

None

Approval of the Agenda

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

Public Comment

Paul Stanaway gave an update on the need to switch phone service providers for jail inmates.

Correspondence and Informational Items

The Committee received the monthly Treasurer's report, monthly travel report and the new report regarding the Administrative credit card.

AGENDA ITEMS

800 MHz redundancy request

Tim McKee presented a request to create a redundant link to the Raco Tower from Central dispatch. The T1 switch would come from Motorola for a total cost of \$27143.00 with Chippewa County to pay \$9,047 plus the monthly cost of the network at approx. \$300.00.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Kinsella, to create a redundancy link to the Raco Tower from Central Dispatch at a cost of 27,143 with Chippewa County's share to be \$9,047 plus the monthly cost of the network. Chippewa County is responsible for the entire cost although Mackinac and Luce would pitch in. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Upgrade Eventide Telephone Recorder

Tim McKee requested that the Eventide Model 725 Recorder to the Eventide Nexlog recorder at a cost of \$23,000.00 and purchase the upgrade from Quality Recording Solutions.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula, to approve the upgrade of the Eventide Model 725 log recorder to the Eventide Nexlog recorder at a cost of \$23,000 and the purchase coming from Quality Recording Solutions. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Request from Union for financial Services

The union presented a request for the County to allow Vantage Point Financial Group to be added as a provider under the deferred compensation list.

It was moved by Commissioner Postula, supported by Commissioner McLean, to approve the union request to allow Vantage Pointe Financial Group to be added as a provider under the deferred compensation list. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Sheriff Truck Bids

The Committee received bids for a new Sheriff's Department Truck to be used to pull the airboat. A grant from the USDA was also obtained to offset cost in the amount of \$8,380.00. The County's portion of the cost would be \$21,620.00 with the remainder of the money going for equipment for the truck. The low bid was from O'Connors in the amount of \$25,515.00

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula, to approve the low bid from O'Connors for a Sheriff's Department truck in the amount of \$25,515. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Approve Purchase of Fujitsu fi-6770 Scanner

Bids were presented for a new scanner for the Register of Deeds.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula, to accept the bid in the amount of \$6,949.55 from 1st RUN computer services which includes the three year scan care service. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Sheriff Vehicle RFQ

The Sheriff Vehicle RFQ was presented.

It was moved by Commissioner Kinsella, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to approve the RFQ for one Sherriff's Dept. Vehicle and include fleet pricing if that is the lowest option. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Sheriff Jail Phone Service Request

The Sheriff requested to switch phone service providers for inmates in the jail. A discussion ensued.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Kinsella, to approve switching the jail contract to Securus for inmate phone services and wave the bidding process. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Request for Bids of Ten Desktop Computers

A request for bids for ten desktop computers was presented.

It was moved by Commissioner Kinsella, supported by Commissioner McLean, to approve the request for bids on ten desktop computers. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Resolution #14-02

A resolution was presented to ask the State to fully fund pension funds for the County. A discussion ensued.

It was moved by Commission McLean, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to approve resolution 14-02 and change the verbiage in paragraph 9 to read State of Michigan to fully fund the County pension fund and send it to the full Board. On a voice vote the motion CARRIED. Commissioner Kinsella and Postula voted nay.

Union Negotiations

It was moved by Commissioner Kinsella, supported by Commissioner Postula, to move into closed session to discuss union negotiations. On a roll call vote the motion CARRIED.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula, to move into open session. On a roll call vote the motion CARRIED.

FINANCE

Claims and Accounts

The Committee reviewed the bills and payroll presented for approval.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Kinsella, to recommend the approval of the general claims totaling \$394,243.53 other fund claims \$384,222.83 payroll \$497,644.51 and Health Department claims \$503,748.23 thru 12/27 and \$535,485.82 total claims \$2,315,344.92 and vouchers H-1 through H-308. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Committee and Chairman's Comments

No additional comments were offered by the Committee or by the Chairman.

Adjourn

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula, to adjourn the meeting.

Chairman Cooper declared the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Jim German, Administrator

Don Cooper, Chairman