

**Personnel/Equalization/Health and Social Services Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

March 18th, 2014

A regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners Personnel/Equalization/Health and Social Services Committee was held on Tuesday, March 18th 2014 at the Chippewa County Courthouse in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Chairman Kinsella called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Don McLean, Ted Postula and George Kinsella

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jim German County Administrator, Brian Pepler, and Christopher Stabile

**Additions / Deletions to the Agenda**

None

**Public Comments:**

None

**Agenda Items**

**Prosecutor Requests**

The Prosecutor informed the Committee that he had notified DHS that he no longer could provide service to them. Chris Stabile informed the Committee that he would have to contract the services out at \$60.00 per hour or at a minimal of fifty thousand dollars a year. Mr. Stabile stated that the close ties with the Prosecutor only made sense for him to contract it out with the office rather than another attorney. Mr. Pepler suggested he could use the 50k to supplement an 85k a year prosecutor bringing the County's portion to approx. thirty to thirty five thousand a year. In addition Mr. Pepler said with the extra hours he would be able to work on a drug court and an imaging system. The Prosecutor also noted if revenues did not make 50k a year he would eliminate the position. Also there would be monthly billings and some months may be low and others high. The committee was very complimentary of the thought the Prosecutor had put into the idea and thought it worthwhile.

**It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula, to allow the Prosecutor to hire a new assistant Prosecutor contracting with DHS to provide a minimal of 50k per year for the position with the County paying the rest of the salary and fringes, that the new assistant would leave time for the Prosecutor's Office to continue with DHS cases, a drug court and imaging and if the position did not get 50k from DHS per year the position would be eliminated per the Prosecutor's request and this motion would be forwarded to Finance. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.**

### **Probate Court Job Descriptions**

New job descriptions were presented for Probate Court Register/Court Recorder and Probate Register/CEO. Judge Church notified the Committee that the new job descriptions fit the jobs better with actual day to day practices.

**It was moved by Commissioner Postula, supported by Commissioner McLean to approve the new job positions for the Probate Court Register/Court Recorder and Probate Register/CEO as requested by Judge Church. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.**

### **Circuit Court Personnel Request**

Mr. German noted that Marcy Smith was resigning and had submitted her letter. Judge Lambros submitted a letter to hire Stephanie Bumstead to replace her and said the new position in the FOC would need to be advertised.

**It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula to accept the resignation letter of Marcy Smith. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.**

**It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula to replace Marcy Smith with Stephanie Bumstead as the Circuit Court Recorder. On a voice vote the motion CARRIED.**

### **Constitution Family Day**

Administrator German noted that 4h and the League of Women voters had requested an evening at the Courthouse in which families and local youth would tour the building after hours and different Department Heads would explain their jobs. The evening would be September 17th and participation by staff would be voluntary.

**It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Postula, to support the Constitution Family Day on behalf of Chippewa County. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.**

### **Adjourn**

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

Chairperson Kinsella declared the meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

Jim German, Administrator

George Kinsella, Chairperson