

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, November 22, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairperson Wender at 6:00 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was said by all.
3. Roll Call was taken by County Clerk Carol Bronzyk and a quorum was present.
Present: Chairperson Henry Wender, Vice Chair Barb Kramer, Commissioners John Degenaer, Joe Stevens and Ann Martin. (5)
Absent: None
Also, Present, Controller Brian Bousley, County Clerk Carol Bronzyk, Prosecutor Lisa Richards and Sheriff Scott Rutter.
4. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer seconded by Commissioner Martin to accept the agenda as written.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the following meeting minutes:
Special – November 4th
Regular – November 8th
COW – November 10th
Finance – November 18th All Ayes, Motion Carried.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
Commissioner Kramer introduced the students from Iron Mountain Government Class: Anja Kleiman, Ellison Powell, Emma Ellis, Callie Bianco, Amelia Stohl, Shyanne Pearce, Belle Tregillis, Erick Soto Rodriguez, Amanda Malburg, Isaac Manier, Evan Haferkorn, Ezekiel Runsat.
 - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens Time and there was no participation.
 - B. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to close the regular meeting and go into a Public Meeting at 6:03 PM. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye
Degenaer Aye Motion Carried
 1. Public Hearing on Dickinson County Recreational Plan Draft.
Controller Bousley explained what this is and it will be on the web site soon. They would like everyone's public input on the survey.
Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Degenaer to enter back into the regular meeting at 6:05 PM. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye

Wender Aye
Degenauer Aye
Kramer Aye Motion Carried.

C. Moment of Silence for The Honorable Judge Richard Celello.

D. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Martin-None

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Kramer

1. Motion by Commissioner Kremer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the check register from 11/08/2021 to 11/18/2021 in the amount of \$283,229.34.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Stevens Aye
Wender Aye
Degenauer Aye
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the new Pay Scale of MP-09 (40) for the Undersheriff Position. Roll Call Vote:

Commissioners:

Wender Aye
Degenauer Aye
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye Motion Carried

3. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the purchase of a NEC SV 91 Server Based Phone System from Solutions Telecommunications in the amount of \$49,835.78 installed.
Pete Schlitt explained the new system needed that they are looking at. This will bring all the offices/buildings together on the same system.
Commissioner Stevens asked how long this system lasts and what is included in this price? This just includes installation and equipment, there will also be service/contract service fees, and it should last 10 years. Commissioner Kramer asked about the time-line for this. Pete stated hopefully by early next year.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Aye
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye Motion Carried

4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the Senior Citizen Millage Allocation in the Dickinson County 2022 Fiscal Year Budget as follows:

DICSA	\$281,000
DC Senior Citizens Center	\$43,700
Breen Senior Center	\$28,000

Norway-Vulcan Senior Center	\$50,000
Sagola Senior Center	\$25,000
Felch Senior Center	\$10,000

Commissioner Kramer stated we had to make some decisions, there just isn't enough money to go around, we also got input from the Treasurer. She stated that maybe they can hold fundraisers to raise money for improvements.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer	Aye	Wender	Aye
Martin	Aye	Degenauer	Aye
Stevens	Aye	Motion Carried.	

- B. **A-95 Review** – Commissioner Kramer-None
- C. **Six County Employment Alliance** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- D. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Commissioner Kramer-None
- E. **DHHS / DICS**A – Commissioner Kramer
 1. DHHS meeting minutes of September 23rd.
- F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin
 1. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the fourth quarter payment request from Northpointe in the amount \$24,907.50.
 Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin	Aye		
Stevens	Aye		
Wender	Aye		
Degenauer	Aye		
Kramer	Aye	Motion Carried.	
- H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender-None
- L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
 1. Reservation System- Controller Bousley explained the systems they had a meeting with over Zoom. There is one he really likes and there will be a special meeting soon, as we need to get moving on this asap.
- M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None
- N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer

Commissioner Degenauer stated they are interviewing for the secretary tomorrow, and hopes to have Fair numbers soon.

- O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin-None
 - P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenauer
Commissioner Degenauer stated that employee negotiations have begun, and it is going well.
 - Q. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
Commissioner Wender stated he spoke with Margaret Minerick and they are would like a meeting sometime next week with our Board.
 - R. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender-None
 - S. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
 - T. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None
 - U. **Veterans' Affairs Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Martin-None
 9. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Martin-None
 10. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Martin to accept the Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 11. Controller's Report.
They have met with Coleman; the foundation is going in for the pump house at Lake Antoine. They will have a meeting on Monday or Tuesday in regards to the boring out there as well, which will run from the new pump house to the showers.
DNR is asking us to be there for the ribbon cutting ceremony for the cheese factory bridge.
The 1st round of negotiations has started.
He is still tweaking the budget and will have it by Monday.
Commissioner Kramer asked about the compaction test results at the airport for the new hangar and Brian stated it has been done and everything is good.
 12. Citizen's Time (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens Time, Anthony Erickson, Kingsford, addressed the Board. He stated in regards to the funding request for MSU, he believes that a lot of their programs are redundant, the Health Dept already does the majority of what the extension office does like soil, water testing, Project Fresh and Serve Safe Certification. The only program he agrees with is 4H, and what he has seen, as he has been involved with 4H, is they are not respected nor treated fairly downstate. He is a big proponent of youth programs, of which there are many in this area of which the County could contribute to instead of downstate. He would also like to thank the Board for all that they do, as he knows this is a thankless job.
 13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Kramer wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and be Grateful/Blessed for our Freedoms.
Commissioner Degenauer stated he wanted to respond to funding for MSU. There are many agencies doing what the County funds, the Fair is going back to a 4H structure as things were not working without structure.

14. A. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the County Board going into a Closed Session with the County Clerk and County Controller to discuss the negotiations of the collective bargaining units, pursuant to Open Meetings Act 15.268, Sec 8 (c). (Roll Call Vote, 2/3 Vote Required) Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
- | | | |
|-----------|-----|-----------------|
| Stevens | Aye | |
| Wender | Aye | |
| Degenauer | Aye | |
| Kramer | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | Motion Carried. |
- B. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Martin to approve the County Board to reconvene in open session. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
- | | | |
|-----------|-----|-----------------|
| Wender | Aye | |
| Degenauer | Aye | |
| Kramer | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | |
| Stevens | Aye | Motion Carried. |
15. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Martin to adjourn, Subject to the call of the Chairman at 6:59 PM.

Henry Wender Chairperson

Carol Bronzyk County Clerk