

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, December 27, 2022 – 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 Chief Deputy Clerk Brenda Buchner and a quorum was present.
Present: Chairperson Henry Wender, Vice Chair Barbara Kramer, Commissioners John Degenauer, Joe Stevens and Ann Martin. (5)
Absent: None
Also, Present: Controller Brian Bousley, County Clerk Carol Bronzyk, Sheriff Scott Rutter and Prosecutor Lisa Richards.
4. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Stevens to accept the agenda as written.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the following meeting minutes:
COW – December 9th
COW – December 12th
Regular – December 12th
Finance – December 15th All Ayes, motion Carried.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
 - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time and there was no participation.
 1. Public Hearing on proposed 2023 Budget.
Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Martin to enter into a Public Hearing at 6:02 PM.
Controller Bousley went over the proposed budget.
Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Martin to close the public hearing and enter back into the Regular meeting at 6:04 PM.
 - B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Kramer
 1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the adoption of 2023 General Appropriations Act for fiscal year January 1-December 31, 2023 by Resolution 2022-20. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION # 2022 – 20
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE DICKINSON COUNTY BUDGET
GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023

WHEREAS, The Dickinson County Board of Commissioners ("Board") has examined the 2023 budget requests for the various departments, agencies, offices and activities, which by law or policy it must finance or assist in financing; and

WHEREAS, The Board has taken into consideration the fact that there are certain required functions of county government or operations which must be budgeted at serviceable levels in order to provide statutory and constitutionally required services and programs; and

WHEREAS, The Uniform Budget and Accounting Act ("UBAA"), MCLA 141.421, et seq.,

requires that the Board enact a General Appropriation Act designed to appropriate funds for all County expenditures; and

WHEREAS, The Board has reviewed the 2023 Recommended Budget and believes the same to contain funds sufficient to finance all mandatory County funded services at serviceable levels;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED #1, That the 2023 Dickinson County Recommended General Fund Budget dated December 27, 2022, which is herein incorporated by reference, is hereby adopted on an activity level for the General Fund and a fund basis for all other Funds, subject to all County policies regarding expenditure of funds and the conditions set forth in this Resolution. The Treasurer and County Administrator shall monitor each fund and provide interim financial reports as needed; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #2, That the copy of said budget presented to each member of the Board be designated as an official copy; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #3, That the sum of \$11,352,233 for the General Fund as set forth in the Budget adopted by this Board, is hereby appropriated and available for expenditure in accordance with the law. The Board will levy a property tax millage rate of 6.1323 mills for County Operation, .9987 mills for Bay West College, .3995 mills for Dickinson-Iron Health Department, .3995 mills for E911, .8988 mills for the County Library, .3995 mills for the Senior Citizens, .4994 mills for Road Commission, .0999 mills for Veterans and .0999 mills for Medical Care Access. Further, all obligations or liabilities incurred and vouchers drawn by any County employee may not exceed the amount appropriated in said budget; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #4, That the various appropriations specified in the budget represent the maximum authorization to incur expenditures for the purposes specified and is not a mandate to spend. It is expected that all elected and appointed County officials shall exercise necessary judgment in the use of appropriated funds in order to achieve the objectives of their program with minimum expenditures; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #5, That the County Controller shall be and hereby is appointed "Budget Administrator," pursuant to the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act MCLA 141.421, et seq., with power and authority to administer such duties in connection with said budget, as from time to time, may be delegated to the Office of Controller by this Board; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #6, In keeping with the County's long-range budgeting concerns that actively balance the interests of taxpayers and County employees, Dickinson County employees have been paying premium contributions toward their health care coverage and will continue to do so in 2023 at a rate of 20% and, acting pursuant to the authority granted a county under Section 8 of Act 152, the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners hereby opts out from the requirements of P.A. 152 of 2011 for calendar year 2023; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #7, If there is a need to increase or decrease various positions within the Budget and/or impose a hiring freeze and/or impose lay-offs, other than those already specified in this Resolution, due to unforeseen financial changes, the County elected officials and department heads shall abide by whatever changes are made by the Board, if any, relative to the approved positions and the number of employees allowed; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #8, That if a county position is funded through a grant, and if that grant loses its funding for any reason, that position shall be eliminated. That the Budget Administrator is authorized to reduce any department each time a reduction is made in Federal, State and local funds. The affected department head shall promptly make the necessary lay-offs and advise those affected by the service that those services are being discontinued as a result of Federal and/or State cutbacks. Similar notice shall also be given to any labor union or association representing affected employees; and

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #9, The Board adopts the Salary Schedules set forth in the Board's 2023 Recommended Budget which is herein incorporated by reference and includes the Elected Officials' Compensation, with a 2% cost of living adjustment for Elected Officials, not including the Board of Commissioners; the Non-Union Employee's Compensation with a 2% cost of living adjustment; the GELC Union Employee's Compensation with a 2% negotiated wage increase; and the POLC Union Employee's

Compensation with a 2% cost of living adjustment; and
NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED #10, That the revenues received by the County under Public Acts 106 and 107, 1985 (Convention Facility Tax revenue) shall not be used to reduce the County's 2023 operating millage as defined by P.A. 2 of 1986. That in accordance with Public Act 106 of 1985 and Public Act 2 of 1986, 50% of the actual Convention Facility tax revenue not used to reduce the County's operating tax rate shall be appropriated to the Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency, with the remaining revenues deposited into the County's General Fund; and

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution originally adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Dickinson, Michigan, held on December 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Henry Wender, Chairman
Dickinson County Board of Commissioners

Carol Bronzyk
Dickinson County Clerk

2. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the Amended FY 2021 Deficit Elimination Plan, Resolution 2022-12 Amended.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Resolution 2022-12
Multiyear Deficit Elimination Plan Amended

WHEREAS, The Airport Fund has a \$283,110.00 deficit fund balance as of December 31, 2021; and WHEREAS, PA 140 of 1971 requires that a Deficit Elimination Plan be formulated by the local unit of government and filed with the Michigan Department of Treasury; and NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, The Dickinson County Board of Commissioners adopts the attached as the Airport Fund Deficit Elimination Plan; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Dickinson County Board of Commissioners submits the Deficit Elimination Plan to the Michigan Department of Treasury for certification.

Date: _____

Henry Wender – Board Chair

Barbara J. Kramer- Vice Chair

John P. Degenaer, Jr. Commissioner

Joe Stevens - Commissioner

Ann Martin - Commissioner

Carol Bronzyk – Clerk

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

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

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the check register from December 8, 2022 to December 21, 2022 in the amount of \$1,112,469.34. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Kramer Aye
Martin Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye
Degenaer Aye Motion Carried.
2. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer to approve the appropriations of \$100,000.00 each to the Cities of Iron Mountain, Kingsford and Norway. The Cities shall follow the requirements set forth in the "Guidelines for Dickinson County Dispersing Funds to Cities". Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

3. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the appropriation of \$5,000.00 to the City of Kingsford for the Kingsford centennial celebration. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenaer to approve maintaining the General Fund Balance at 35%. The following amounts will be transferred from the General Fund:

a. Public Improvement	\$ 452,984.30	
b. OPEB (MERS)	\$ 82,360.78	
c. Contingency	\$ 82,360.78	Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Wender Aye
Degenaer Aye
Kramer Aye
Martin 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 / DICSA** – Commissioner Kramer-None
- F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens
 1. Board of Health meeting minutes of October 26th.
 2. Board of Health special meeting minutes of November 10th.
 3. Board of Health meeting schedule for 2023.
- G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin
 1. Northpointe meeting minutes of October 20th.
- H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenaer
Commissioner Degenaer stated that their end of year report will be better than anticipated.
- I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender
Sheriff Rutter wanted to thank the Board for their support in the upgrades at the Correctional Center for their safety and security, the staff definitely appreciates it. The new squad cars are on the road!

- L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens
1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the start date of January 16, 2023 for on-line camping reservations at Lake Antoine Park. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve that Sites 30, 31, 32, 33, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 90 will have a minimum 1-week rental and a maximum 2-week rental per patron. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None

N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve to increase the Dickinson County Fair credit card limit from \$1,500.00 to \$5,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin-None

P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenauer-None

Q. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender-None

R. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

S. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None

T. **Veterans' Affairs Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Kramer-None

9. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Kramer

A. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the appointment of Ed McBroom to the U.P. State Fair Authority for a two-year term. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the Organizational Meeting for the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners for January 3, 2023 at 8:15 a.m. Meeting to be held in the Correctional Center Conference Room. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Swearing in of the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners for 2023.
Chief Deputy Clerk Brenda Buchner swore in the County Board members for 2023.

D. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the payment in the amount of \$112,303.08 for Radio Project from the Homeland Security Grant FY2020. This is a reimbursable grant of which Dickinson County being the fiduciary agent.
Roll Call Vote: Commissioners: Kramer, Martin, Stevens, Wender and Degenauer All Ayes, Motion Carried.

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.
Controller Bousley stated the ME building and fuel farm projects are on schedule, going well. The work at the Fairgrounds washout is complete, they will have to raise the road a little this spring but it is all cleaned up. We have only received one response on the audit-our current one, they are due on the 4th.
12. Citizen's Time (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time, Dale Alessandrini addressed the Board. He is glad the Board reconsidered their request for the \$100,000.00 and thanked them.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Stevens wished all a safe, healthy, Happy New Year.
Commissioner Kramer wished everyone a Healthy Happy New Year with many blessings.
Commissioner Degenauer wished everyone a Happy New Year.
Commissioner Wender wanted to thank Brian for all he has done, he is much appreciated.
14. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Kramer to adjourn, Subject to the Call of the Chairman at 6:22 PM.

Henry Wender, Chair

Brenda Buchner, Chief Deputy Clerk