OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KEWEENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS January 17, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners was held January 17, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at the Courthouse, Eagle River, MI, immediately following the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge meeting.

Commissioners present: Bob DeMarois, Sandy Gayk, Don Piche, Jim Vivian, Del Rajala.

Chairman Piche appointed commissioners to the following committees (same as 2017):			
Economic Development	Piche	Historic Hiway/Byway	DeMarois
Building & Grounds	Piche	911 Committee	Rajala
Human Services	Piche	MSU Extension	Piche
UPWARD Talent Council	DeMarois/Rajala	KEDA/KEDA Board	Vivian
Health Department	Rajala/DeMarois	Head Start	DeMarois
UP Resource Conservation	Gayk	Finance/Budget	Piche
US Port Authority	None	Road Commission	Piche
UPCAP	Gayk	TriCounty Corrections	Rajala
Planning Commission	Vivian	WUPPDR	Gayk/DeMarois
Northcare (Substance Abuse) Eckloff		Mental Health	Gayk
Community Action	Piche	Resolutions	Full Board
Keweenaw Mountain Lodge	Full Board	UP Fair Authority	Langdon
Ground/Grounds Care	Piche	Houghton/Kew Cons District	Gayk
Veterans Affairs	Rajala	Brownfield	Chase
Building Codes	Piche	Liaison to Sheriff Dept	Rajala

Motion by Gayk supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to designate the following as depositories for County funds: River Valley, Range, Superior National and First Merit Banks.

Motion by DeMarois supported by Gayk and unanimously carried to accept the agenda as printed.

Motion by Gayk supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to amend the December 20, 2017 minutes regarding the sheriff department soliciting bids for a K-9 vehicle. The motion should have stated that the sheriff department was authorized to solicit bids for a K-9 vehicle, that being a Chevrolet Tahoe.

Motion by Rajala supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to approve the December 20, 2017 as minutes as amended.

The Treasurer, Sheriff and Mine Inspector reports were received.

Paul Putnam from the MSU Extension was present at the meeting and introduced himself and gave out a small brochure about what the Extension is doing. There will be a new position in Baraga that will also help Keweenaw County as this person will be working on ³/₄ tourism and ¹/₄ community development for our entire area.

Time was allowed for public comment.

Motion by Gayk supported by DeMarois to pay the approved and audited bills in the following amounts; General Fund=\$196,030.79 Construction Codes Fund=\$1,253.90 911 Fund=\$6,847.40 Law Library=\$752.00, Appropriation to KML=\$13,000.00. Board polled. Ayes: DeMarois, Gayk, Vivian, Rajala, Piche. Nayes: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rajala supported by Gayk and unanimously carried to hold an annual Keweenaw County Veterans Affairs Committee meeting on the first Friday of February of each year at 10:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Eagle River, MI.

Motion by DeMarois supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to accept the proposed budget for the Medical Examiner office. This budget considers having a medical examiner, a deputy medical examiner and two medical examiner investigators, education and supplies for \$11,500 plus an additional \$3,500 for initial training. The current medical examiner budget will be amended in the amount of \$11,500.

Motion by Gayk supported by Rajala and unanimously carried (Piche abstained) to appoint the following for 4 years: Medical Examiner-Janice B Heikenen, MD, Deputy Medical Examiner-Michael McAllister, DO. The following people as Medical Examiner Investigators: Melody Snyder, Paramedic, RN and Angela Piche, RN.

Motion by DeMarois supported by Gayk and unanimously carried to approve the agreement with Michigan State University Extension for 2018 in the amount of \$4,150.

Motion by Rajala supported by Gayk and unanimously carried to table the MasTec and Black & Veatch at&t mobility upgrade until February.

Motion by Gayk supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to renew the ad in the 2018 plat book in the amount of \$600.

Motion by DeMarois supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to approve the contract with TopComp for providing digital mapping services to the County for \$1,500.

Motion by Gayk supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to approve the MERS Health Care Savings Program Participation Agreement for the Clerk. This is employee funded.

The following bids were received for the sheriff K-9 vehicle:

Berger Chevrolet\$36,477.00Chevrolet Tahoe Police PackageKeweenaw Chevrolet\$38,403.00Chevrolet Tahoe Police PackageCopper Country Ford\$30,028.46Ford Explorer Police PackageFrei Chevrolet\$37,895.00Chevrolet Tahoe Police PackageMotion by Gayk supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to accept the low bid from Berger Chevroletcontingent upon Rajala's review that the bid reflects the bid specifications.

Motion by Rajala supported by DeMarois and unanimously carried to begin the next cycle for the Courthouse/Grounds Improvement Fund and it will be the sheriff's office siding.

Motion by Gayk supported by Vivian and unanimously carried to reappoint Mel Jones to the Zoning Board of Appeals term ending 12/31/2020.

Ann Gasperich gave an update on Compudyne. The Board had voted to go with Compudyne in 2017 for support of the computers for the Courthouse and Sheriff Department.

Motion by Gayk supported by Rajala and unanimously carried to approve the Historic Preservation Easement between Keweenaw County and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority acting through its State Historic Preservation Office for the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge pending approval from Rural Development and the Attorney General's Office.

Sheriff Bill Luokkanen gave a yearend report for 2017.

Time was allowed for public comment.

There being no further business motion by Gayk to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Meeting adjourned sine die.

Donald Piche, Chairman

Julie A. Carlson, Clerk