

Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners
Reconvene of Annual Meeting Minutes
Truth and Taxation Meeting Minutes
2018 General Fund and Special Fund Budget Public Hearing
and De-Annexation of Village Property Public Hearing Minutes
November 27, 2017
(UNAPPROVED)

Chair McKinnon called for reconvene of Annual Meeting, Public Hearing of Truth and Taxation, 2018 General Fund and Special Fund Budget and De-Annexation of McCool Village Property at 6:00 PM, Commissioner Chambers, Administration Building, 605 N Birch Street, Kalkaska, MI. Present Commissioners Michael Buchanan, David Comai (arrived at 6:07 PM), Patty Cox, Craig Crambell, Stuart McKinnon, James Sweet and County Clerk Deborah Hill. Absent Commissioner Kohn Fisher. Pledge of Allegiance by all. Invocation by Commissioner Cox.

Call for conflict: None

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Cox to approve Agenda. Supported by Crambell. 5 yeas. 0 nays. 2 absent. **Carried.**

Public Input: None

Purpose of Meeting:

Chair called for review and/or Approval of Truth and Taxation Levy L4029 and Resolution.

Equalization Director Robert Englebrecht: Addressed Board regarding L4029, proposed Truth and Taxation Resolution 2017-53 and 2017 Apportionment Report for Board approval. Discussion and review of L4029, Resolution 2017-53 Truth and Taxation 2017 Levy and 2017 Apportionment Report. Englebrecht addressed the preparation of the L4029, millages to be levied and purposes of millage; noted expiring millages in 2018. Chair noted review of Resolution 2017-53; Englebrecht noted information in Resolution mirrors the L4029. (Commissioner Comai arrived.) Discussion regarding documents and time period covered follow levy.

Chair McKinnon called for Public Comment:

County Treasurer Thornburg advised Board of concern from Townships receiving the L4029 late and request to address earlier in future. (Englebrecht noted he provided documents in October, Board was in the budget review process and advised of 30 day notice; noted November Election contained township millage that needed to be included in the Apportionment report)

Chair called for public comment: None. Chair noted closure of Truth and Taxation Hearing.

Motion by Cox to approve the 2017 Tax Rate Request L4029 as proposed. Supported by Sweet. Discussion, noted bond debt remains on Kaliseum of approximately two years. Roll call vote: Cox, yes; Sweet, yes; Buchanan, yes; Comai, yes; Crambell, yes; Fisher, absent; McKinnon, yes. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.** **Motion** by Sweet to approve proposed 2017 Truth and Taxation Levy Resolution 2017-53 as presented. Supported by Cox. . Roll call vote: Sweet, yes; Cox, yes; Buchanan, yes; Comai, yes; Crambell, yes; Fisher, absent; McKinnon, yes. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.**

Chair called for review and/or approval of the proposed 2017 Apportionment report.

Discussion, Englebrecht noted the report reflects all millages and difficult to have prepared sooner due to township millages on recent elections. Board inquired as to Equalization communication with schools and townships; noted concern with prior errors causing school funding issues. Englebrecht noted changes did occur with Garfield Township millage with recent November election and was unable to present correct totals until then. Treasurer Thornburg noted Rapid River Township has a pending matter regarding a renaissance rate with the State which may impact schools; Englebrecht noted he is in communication with entities involved. **Motion** by Comai to approve the 2017 Apportionment Report as presented. Supported by Cox. Discussion. Roll call vote: Comai, yes; Cox, yes; Buchanan, yes; Crambell, yes; Fisher, absent; Sweet, yes; McKinnon, yes. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.**

Chair noted closure of Truth and Taxation Hearing at 6:22 PM.

Chair called for review and/or approval of 2018 General Fund and Special Fund Budget.

Discussion and review, Chair noted estimated 2018 revenues and expenses with balanced budget of \$7,029,620.00.

Chair called for Public Comment: None. Chair noted closure of Public Comment.

Motion by Cox to approve the proposed 2018 General Fund and Special Revenue Fund Budget. Supported by Comai. Discussion, Chair noted appreciation and time spent by Board, Department Heads and accountant, working together to achieve a balanced budget for 2018. Roll call vote: Cox, yes; Comai, yes; Buchanan, yes; Crambell, yes; Fisher, absent; Sweet, yes; McKinnon, yes. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.**

Chair called for closure of Public Hearings set for 6:00 PM and recess of Annual meeting at 6:26 PM until 7:00 PM, for next Public Hearing regarding de-annexation of Village property.

Chair reconvened Annual Meeting at 7:02 PM.

Chair called for Hearing regarding Petition of Shawn McCool Village of Kalkaska Property de-annexation. Also present for the Hearing, Al McCool and Shawn McCool, Shawn McCool being the owner of the petitioned property.

Chair McKinnon noted McCool filed the Petition with the County Clerk on 9-22-2017 pursuant to Act 3 of 1985, Sec 74.22. McKinnon noted finding of facts were met including filing of Petition, sufficient signatures were filed and authorized by the County Clerk; that the Petitioner posted required notices; the deed was verified with the Register of Deeds as to property ownership and location as in the Village limits; verification from Equalization as to boundaries. McKinnon noted petition was filed within 10 days of the Annual meeting; Board of Commissioners posted and published the Public Hearing as required; noted the de-annexation would not create an island. County Clerk Hill advised she has not received any response from the Public regarding the Petition.

Chair called for Public Comment: None

Petitioner: Shawn McCool requested Board to approve his petition for de-annexation.

Chair McKinnon read the proposed Resolution 2017-52 and noted attachment of Petition and description. **Motion** by Crambell to approve Resolution 2017-52 as presented and Order the placing of Certain Land Outside Corporate Limits of the Village of Kalkaska as described in petition submitted by Shawn McCool. Supported by Cox. Roll call vote: Crambell, yes; Cox, yes; Buchanan, yes; Comai, yes; Fisher, absent; Sweet, yes; McKinnon, yes. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.**

Chair called for closure of Hearing regarding de-annexation at 7:18 PM.

Public Input: None

Motion by Cox to adjourn at 7:19 PM. Supported by Comai. 6 yeas. 0 nays. 1 absent. **Carried.**

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Hill, Kalkaska County Clerk and
Clerk of Board of Commissioners

Stuart McKinnon, Chair of
Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners

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