

Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners
Special Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2016
(UNAPPROVED)

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair McKinnon, Commissioner Chambers, Administration Building, 605 N Birch Street, Kalkaska, MI. Present Commissioners Michael Buchanan, Patty Cox, Craig Crambell, Kohn Fisher, Alan Hart, Stuart McKinnon, Kevin Stein and County Clerk Deborah Hill. Pledge of Allegiance by all.

Public Input: None

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Hart to approve Agenda. Supported by Crambell. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **Carried.**

Chair called for purpose of meeting:

Review of Equalization Director Contract:

Motion by Hart to not renew the Contract for Employment with the Equalization Director, Brad Heikkila, dated April 26, 2012; therefore this Contract will end on April 26, 2016.

Supported by Fisher. Roll call vote: Hart, yes; Fisher, yes; Buchanan, yes; Cox, yes; Crambell, yes; Stein, yes; McKinnon, yes. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **Carried.**

Motion by Fisher to authorize the Chair to contact Director Heikkila and inform him that the County is not renewing his contract and to turn in all county property by 9:00 AM Monday (April 25, 2016) morning; to advise Heikkila that he may obtain his personal items at that time or schedule a time to do so. Supported by Crambell. Discussion. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **Carried.**

Motion by Hart to allow the Personnel Committee to advertise, interview or otherwise fulfill the needs of the Kalkaska County Equalization office. Supported by Fisher. Roll call vote: Hart, yes; Fisher, yes; Buchanan, yes; Cox, yes; Crambell, yes; Stein, yes; McKinnon, yes. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **Carried.**

Motion by Fisher to provide the following press release: The Equalization Director's contract terminates on April 26, 2016, and will not be renewed. The Board of Commissioners believes it is in the best interest of Kalkaska County to investigate all possible avenues for equalization services. The goal is to provide the best services at the most advantageous cost. We will be exploring all options in order to provide the best services to Kalkaska County citizens. Supported by Crambell. Roll call vote: Fisher, yes; Crambell, yes; Buchanan, yes; Cox, yes; Hart, yes; Stein, yes; McKinnon, yes. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **Carried.**

Review and/or Amend Kaliseum and Soil Conservation Millage Proposals: Discussion regarding the need to amend the Resolution proposals previously approved. Clerk Hill noted Equalization staff had provided two different calculations from the Taxable Value for the millage proposal to counsel; county counsel had called the Clerk and noted the need for consistent figures regardless that the figures are estimated; following communication with Equalization the corrected figure of \$184,571.00 was verified. **Motion** by Fisher to amend

Resolution 2016-19 to approve the ballot language for the Kaliseum millage renewal for the August Primary to read “estimated \$184,571.00” in paragraph two. Supported by Hart. Roll call vote: Fisher, yes; Hart, yes; Buchanan, yes; Cox, yes; Crambell, yes; Stein, yes; McKinnon, yes. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **Carried.** **Motion** by Hart to amend Resolution 2016-17 to approve the ballot language for the Soil Conservation millage proposal for the August Primary to read “estimated \$184,571.00” in paragraph two and contain the language as presented for the purpose of the millage. Supported by Fisher. Roll call vote: Hart, yes; Fisher, yes; Buchanan, yes; Cox, yes; Crambell, yes; Stein, yes; McKinnon, yes. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **Carried.**
(Clerk noted a copy of the corrected millage proposal for COA was also provided in packet for their information due the pending review by the Board.)

Public Input: None

Motion by Hart to adjourn at 6:11 PM. Supported by Buchanan. 7 yeas. 0 nays. **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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