

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, October 10, 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 County Clerk Carol Bronzyk and a quorum was present.
Present: Chairperson Henry Wender, Vice Chair Barb Kramer, Commissioners John Degenauer, Joe Stevens and Ann Martin. (5)
Absent: None
Also, Present: Controller Brian Bousley, County Clerk Carol Bronzyk, Sheriff Scott Rutter
4. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to accept the agenda as written. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the following meeting minutes:
Regular – September 26th
COW – September 29th
Parks Committee – September 29th All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Commissioner Kramer welcomed the following student from Iron Mountain Government Class:
Brent Mayes II

6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**
 - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)
Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizen's Time, Rita Luri Quinnesec addressed the Board. She came to speak about the sludge being brought into a Dickinson County Landfill by Resolute Forest Products. She is very concerned as this waste contains PFAS chemicals. This was voted down 6 years ago and she wants to know why it went through this time. Menominee and Marinette are having issues with these forever chemicals polluting/contaminating their ground water. There are lawsuits being brought for these chemicals. The company that owns where this sludge is coming from, is a Canadian Company and are bring their waste here as it is cheaper and there are no standards. She had a list of questions that need to be asked and answered, which she gave to the Board, and is asking this Board to please look into this, as we don't know what impact this will have in 1 year or 10 years. She also wanted to compliment everyone for restoring Lake Antoine Park/Campground to its original beauty.
 - B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Stevens
 1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve Dickinson County Resolution 2022-16, Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans.

Dickinson County Resolution 2022-16 Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans

WHEREAS, the residents of Dickinson County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all of the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Dickinson County seeks to honor these individuals who have paid the high price for freedom by placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, Veterans continue to serve our community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veteran Service Officers in 29 states to help fellow former service members access more than \$52 billion in federal health, disability and compensation benefits each year; and

WHEREAS, approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 20 percent increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that 44-72 percent of service members experience high levels of stress during transition from military to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, Active Military Service Members transitioning from military service are at a high risk for suicide during their first year after military service; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties encourages all counties, parishes and boroughs to recognize Operation Green Light for Veterans; and

WHEREAS, Dickinson County appreciates the sacrifices of our United State Military Personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with designation as a Green Light for Veterans Dickinson County hereby declares from October through Veterans Day, November 11th 2022 a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform transitioning from Active Service;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in observance of Operation Green Light, Dickinson County encourages its citizens in patriotic tradition to recognize the importance of honoring all those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve freedom by displaying a green light in a window of their place of business or residence.

Henry Wender – Dickinson Co. Board Chair

Carol Bronzyk – Dickinson Co. Clerk

Date

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 September 23, 2022 to October 6, 2022 in the amount of \$538,941.71. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Kramer Aye

Martin Aye

Stevens Aye

Wender Aye

Degenauer 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
 - 1. DHHS meeting minutes of August 25th.
- F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin-None
- H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender-None
- L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

Commissioner Stevens stated the water at the park has been shut off and the park is now closed. All reports for the summer were good, the next program will be the lights for Christmas and the kites in February
- M. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender-None
- N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenaer

Commissioner Degenaer stated our profits for the Fair this year were up 112% the expenses were up 16% and market sales were up 35% and some money is still coming in for that. We had 59,679 people attending. They made \$115,000.00 profit. The painting at the Grandstand is almost complete.
- O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin

Commissioner Martin stated after looking over the brochure that was handed out at last meeting for the programs at the library, she noticed a new club having meetings there and was wondering about all the clubs that were not allowed to meet there. She will ask at the next meeting if their policy about that has changed, and are they going to be more accepting of different groups such as home schooling and bible studies. She would like to know who has requested this and what the agenda is.
- P. **Employee Relations** - Commissioner Degenaer-None
- Q. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender-None
- R. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenaer-None
- S. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenaer-None

T. **Veterans' Affairs Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request of support from Senator Ed McBroom, Senator Debbie Stabenow, Senator Gary Peters, Representative Jack Bergman and Representative Beau Lafave with regards to Operation Green Light for Veterans. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
Commissioner Stevens ask how the Courthouse will display a green light, Controller Bousley had several ideas they are working on.

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

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

- A. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the following appointment:

1. PLANNING COMMISSION - Applicants: Laura Skrumbellos
One-partial term to expire 2/28/2025
Laura Skrumbellos was appointed to the Planning Commission.

- B. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the Waucesha Township Lake Mary Boat Launch Renovation Project. This is a Dickinson County ARPA Fund project with a maximum funding amount of \$100,000.00 for Waucesha Township.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	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 bike trails are finished up on Pine Mountain, these are non-motorized trails and walking is allowed. We will talk about the Audit at the finance meeting. We still need to have a meeting with the new company that bought Pine Mountain. He will be restructuring the deficit elimination plan, as the State wanted it redone. The State also wants us to complete the County Plan/Dashboard. He also applied for the RAP grant for the new fire rings at the park, so we will get reimbursed for them.

12. Citizen's Time (Limited to five minutes per person)

Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens Time; Paul Martin addressed the Board. He wanted to know more about the ARPA money for the townships, the approval and process of the funds being spent.

13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.

Commissioner Martin stated she went and purchased a green light for her home and it is very easy to do.

Commissioner Stevens wanted to thank Brian and Pete for speaking at Fall Fest. He also wanted Commissioner Martin to look into why a lot of computers seem to always be out of service at the library. It was a beautiful day for Fall Fest at Lake Antoine.

Commissioner Kramer wanted to thank the public for coming to Fall Fest and making it a great day, it was a lot of fun.

Commissioner Degenauer wanted to respond to Rita Luri in regards to the sludge issue. Marty Fitanti from invest UP, was the one who went around all of us, and went through the State to get this passed. We did vote this down 6 years ago. He believes this is worth looking into.

14. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Stevens to adjourn, Subject to the Call of the Chairman at 6:30 PM.

Henry Wender Chairperson

Carol Bronzyk County Clerk