

**DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, September 26, 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 Bronzyk and a quorum was present.  
Present: Chair 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, Prosecutor Lisa Richards and Treasurer Lorna Carey.
4. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to accept the agenda as written.  
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the following meeting minutes:  
Regular – September 12<sup>th</sup>  
Finance – September 15<sup>th</sup>  
Commissioner Martin abstained from the 9-12-minutes as she was absent.  
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; Jim Harris from the Road Commission addresses the Board. He stated he attended the Sagola Township meeting and their biggest concern is funding for the Turner Road, it is in terrible shape. He will look into additional funding from the State. There is not a lot of funding for this type of road. Sagola will contribute \$112,000 with a match from the road commission. This will only get them just past the Fire/Ambulance station. He is asking this Board to consider some funding for this road.  
Rand Hruska, Sagola addressed the Board. He also is very concerned about this road as it is cutting their response times for the fire and ambulances driving on this road which might impact a life saving few minutes.  
Megan Buck, Dickinson County Library Director, addressed the Board. She stated their levy request is on the agenda for tonight and she wanted to update the Board on all their projects, programs, building improvements as well as reducing their MERS retirement liability. She wanted to thank her staff and the Library Board for all their hard work for all in the community.
  - B. Resolutions and Legislation – Commissioner Martin-None

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

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

1. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the check register from September 9, 2022 to September 22, 2022 in the amount of \$2,266,348.27. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

2. Dickinson County Treasurer, Lorna Carey went over her– Foreclosing Governmental Unit Report of Real Property Foreclosure Sales.
3. Motion by Commissioner Stevens seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve amending the Dickinson County Budget Calendar. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. **A-95 Review** – Commissioner Kramer-None

C. **Six County Employment Alliance** – Commissioner Stevens-None

D. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Commissioner Kramer  
Commissioner Kramer stated at their last meeting they had a resignation and are looking for members.

E. **DHHS / DICS**A – Commissioner Kramer-None

F. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens  
Commissioner Stevens reminded everyone to get their flu shot.

G. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin  
Commissioner Martin stated the Board voted to give all the employees a retention payment which totaled \$687,621.00, 97% of which came from a Medicaid surplus as a way of hoping they will stay at Northpointe. They are looking for a member.

H. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenauer-None  
Commissioner Degenauer stated that this year will show a major loss, due to the State and covid.

I. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

J. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-None

K. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the quote from Johnson Controls in the amount of \$329,125.78 for the installation of a new fire alarm system in the Dickinson County Correctional Center.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin	Aye
Stevens	Aye

Wender Aye  
Degenaer Aye  
Kramer Aye Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenaer seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the quote from Sydaptic, Inc. in the amount of \$49,141.68 for the installation of new locks and rekeying at the Dickinson County Correctional Center.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

- L. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens

Commissioner Stevens stated they really need that gravel at the east entryway to Fumee. We are planning a Parks meeting after the round table on Thursday.

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

- N. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenaer-None

- O. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin

1. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the library millage request in the amount of .8988. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

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

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

- R. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenaer

1. Construction Code meeting agenda for September 20<sup>th</sup>.  
2. Construction Code meeting minutes of July 19<sup>th</sup>.

- S. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenaer-None  
Commissioner Stevens stated they are looking for a new President.

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

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

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

- A. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the fourth quarter payment request from the Sagola Senior in the amount of \$6,250.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

- B. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Degenauer to approve the fourth quarter payment request from the Norway-Vulcan Senior Center in the amount of \$12,500.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

- C. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the fourth quarter payment request from DICSA in the amount of \$70,250.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

- D. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the third and fourth quarter payment request from Felch Senior Center in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

- E. Motion by Commissioner Marin seconded by Commissioner Stevens to approve the third and fourth quarter payment to Breen Senior Center in the amount of \$14,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

- F. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the fourth quarter payment to the Dickinson County Senior Center in the amount of \$10,925.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

- G. Motion by Commissioner Martin seconded by Commissioner Kramer to approve the payment of \$4,797.17 to DQE Inc. for supplies for the RRTN Project in the 2020 Homeland Security Grant.

Funds will be dispersed from account 218-000-812.007. This amount will be reimbursed to Dickinson County from the grant. Dickinson County is the fiduciary agent for the grant.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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

#### H. Operation Green Lights for Veterans

Commissioner Stevens explained what this is, honoring Veterans by putting a green light on your porch.

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.  
Brian stated the hanger is almost complete, waiting a few back ordered items. Should be done in the next 2 weeks. He went over the capital improvement plan for the next 5 years, one of which will be the new terminal. The new owners of Pine Mountain would like to meet with the County Board and the Kiwanis. We did get approved for another Veterans grant for \$59,000.00, which will cover the VSOs. Iron County is very interested in joining us for the Medical Examiner. Brian and Pete will be covering this at the UPCAP meeting. Our new sound system here in the Courtroom is up and running. The mental health round table will be on Thursday. Airport days went very well along with the car show that was held there. Sheriff Rutter stated 21 Veterans were able to take a ride on the B-25 bomber due to donations, and he wanted to thank all the people who helped with that. County Clerk Bronzyk went over Senate Bill 869 protecting personal safety of Judges and certain other individuals, and what all that is going to entail in our Register of Deeds office.
12. Citizen's Time (Limited to five minutes per person)  
Chairperson Wender opened the floor to Citizens Time, Robin Begarowicz, member of the Sagola Township Board, addressed the Board. She stated she wanted to express her opinion how bad the Turner Road in Sagola township is, and for this Board to please assist us with some funding on this project. This primary road has been a hazard for many years, for the 1<sup>st</sup> responders, emergency responders and the general public.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.  
Commissioner Martin wanted to share that the 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the town hall program about suicide in the Upper Peninsula will be on PBS at 6 Central time tomorrow night.  
Commissioner Stevens stated he really enjoyed the Bombers flying around all day, and to know that it will be located right here. He also stated he went to the MAC meeting and he was surprised how many counties do not know about the VSO grants out there. He also learned about more park funding grants we can look into.  
Commissioner Kramer stated she enjoyed Airport Days/Car Show and how very fortunate we are to have this airport here.  
Commissioner Degenauer stated that last week someone from Dickinson County Iowa was here, and he was impressed with the Fairgrounds.
14. Motion by Commissioner Kramer seconded by Commissioner Martin to adjourn, Subject to the Call of the Chairman at 6:50 PM.

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Henry Wender, Chair

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Carol Bronzyk, County Clerk