

**MEETING OF THE IRON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DECEMBER 30, 2013**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Joe Pinardi at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call taken, Present: Koski, Smith, Innes, Nasi, Erickson, Lambert, Roberts, Thompson, Luke, Mullard, Pinardi, Prospero, Youngs and Thomas. Absent: Kichak, excused.

Clerk Michael Saari certified that the meeting was properly called and posted.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Chairman Pinardi told the board that Paul Mullard had resigned from the Memorial Building Restoration Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Steve Schurtter, Montreal told the board he was surprised there was nothing about the harvest camp on tonight's agenda.

Discussion was held on changes made to employee handbook. Finance Committee explained that many changes were made during union negotiations with union members and most issues were resolved at that time.

Motion by Prospero, seconded by Mullard to adopt employee handbook as presented. Roll call. All aye except Lambert and Thompson who abstained from voting with Kichak absent. Motion carried.

Discussion held on health insurance for 3 retirees eligible for health coverage after retiring. Parameters set up were: 62 years old by 12/31/2013, 22 years of service to county and must retire between April 1st and 12/31/2014 and contact County Clerk by January 15, 2014 with your intention to retire. Three options for health insurance are: \$20,000 one- time payout to retiree, one year health insurance paid by Iron County or two years health insurance with 50% paid by county and 50% paid by the retiree.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Youngs to adopt. Roll call. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Mullard to cancel Memorial Building lease between Iron County and the American Legion Post. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Innes to adopt new lease between Iron County and Memorial Building Renovation Committee with minor change on who can hold meetings at the Memorial Building with no rental charge and contingent upon committee forming a corporation and getting legal name in place. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberts, seconded by Innes to approve contract with Courthouse/Human Services which is a \$0.35/hour raise for 2014. All aye except Thompson who abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngs, seconded by Smith to approve contract with Highway/Forestry which is a \$0.35/hour raise for 2014. All aye except Lambert who abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Motion by Mullard, seconded by Nasi to approve contract with Jailer/Dispatchers which is a \$0.35/hour raise for 2014. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2840

RESOLUTION CREATING LOCAL IMPACT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 295.443, a county that is likely to be substantially affected by potential or proposed mining may establish a local impact committee for purposes of, without limitation, facilitating communications between operators and itself; analyzing implications of mining; reviewing and commenting on reclamation plans; developing solutions to mining-induced growth problems; recommending priorities for local action; formulating recommendations to the investment and local impact fund board regarding distribution of funds under s. 70.395(2)(g) related to mining for ferrous minerals; and negotiating a local agreement under s. 295.443(1m); and

WHEREAS, Iron County has been affected and is likely to continue to be affected by mining operations and planning for the same;

WHEREAS, a committee organized under 295.443(1) may be funded by their appointed authority and may, through their appointing authority, submit a request for operating funds to the Mining Investment and Local Impact Fund Board under Wisconsin Statute 295.443(4).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors in the County of Iron, State of Wisconsin hereby authorizes that:

1. The County Board hereby creates, pursuant to the powers granted under Wisconsin Statute 295.443 and for the stated purposes stated therein and such other purposes as may lawfully be exercised in the service of this county, a standing committee to be known as the Local Impact Committee.
2. The Local Impact Committee shall serve at the pleasure of the County Board with respect to mining related matters affecting the county and any other municipality, so long as the County of Iron is substantially affected.
3. The Local Impact Committee shall consist of no fewer than five voting members which shall include at least three members of the County Board.
4. The appointment of members shall be made by the County Board Chairman and members shall serve staggered terms specified by the County Board Chairman that shall each serve for 3-year staggered terms (superseded by new or reappointed members that terms of which shall vary to ensure the lowest amount of turnover possible).
5. The election of chairman and vice-chairman of the Local Impact Committee shall be held at the first meeting of the Local Impact Committee following the biennial spring elections.
6. In carrying out the purposes specified in Wisconsin Statute 295.443, the Local Impact Committee shall also, without limitation,:

- a. Act as a liaison between the Iron County Board of Supervisors, other local impact committees and other units of government and non-governmental entities with respect to all matters involving exploration, prospecting and mining for metallic minerals including the preliminary stages and post-operational stages of the same.
 - b. Act as the lead committee in the formulation of plans and requests for funding of committee activities and for addressing the impacts of exploration, prospecting and mining upon the people, lands and natural resources of Iron County, subject to the final review and approval of the Board of Supervisors.
 - c. Recommend contracts for professional services to the County Board of Supervisors.
 - d. In its discretion, pursue the establishment of a Joint Impact Committee to include as many municipalities as possible pursuant to 295.443(2).
 - e. In its discretion, pursue the negotiation of a local agreement for metallic mining with any person or entity with whom state statutes authorize the County to enter into a local agreement for metallic mining.
7. All Local Impact Committee action must be approved by the Iron County Board of Supervisors in order to be binding on Iron County.
 8. All meetings of the Local Impact Committee shall, to the extent not inconsistent with applicable law or County Ordinances, be conducted pursuant to the latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

Motion by Youngs, seconded by Innes to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2841

RESOLUTION CREATING JOINT MINING IMPACT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 295.443 Iron County, Wisconsin has established a Local Impact Committee for the purpose of, without limitation: facilitating communication between operators and itself; analyzing implication of mining; reviewing and commenting on reclamation plans; developing solutions to mining-induced growth problems; recommending priorities for local action; formulating recommendations to the investment and local impact fund regarding distribution of funds under s. 70.395(2)(g) related to mining for ferrous minerals; and negotiating a local agreement under 295.443.(1m);

WHEREAS, the Counties of Iron and Ashland and the Towns of Anderson and Morse have been affected or are likely to be affected by potential iron mining operations proposed by Gogebic Taconite, LLC or other such entity; and

WHEREAS, local impact committees related to mining in the Counties of Iron and Ashland and to Towns of Morse and Anderson ("Municipalities") have thus far been organized under Wisconsin Statute 295.443(1) and have been funded by their appointing authorities; and

WHEREAS, joint impact committees may be established pursuant to Wisconsin Administrative Code Tax 13.075(2)(b) (as conformed to Chapter 295 Wis. Stats. or amended from time to time) for the purposes

of, without limitation, providing communications and coordination between local committees; providing services to local committees; eliminating duplication of effort by local communities; providing the services listed in s. 295.443(1), Stats. in any municipality and which appoints a member to the joint impact committee but does not have a local impact committee; and providing any of the services listed in 295.443.(1), Stats., upon request of a local impact committee; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 295.443(4) local impact committees established under s. 295.443(1) are eligible for funds if the authorizing municipality is also a participant in a joint committee, if any, established under sub. (2).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Iron County, State of Wisconsin that:

1. The County Board, together with other participating Municipalities, hereby creates, pursuant to the powers granted under Wisconsin Statute 295.443(2), a Joint Impact Committee ("Joint Impact Committee").
2. The Joint Impact Committee shall be open to membership by other affected Municipalities upon receipt of request for membership. Equal voting rights shall be afforded each Municipality.
3. The Joint Impact Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority.
4. Each Municipality shall have one vote on the Joint Impact Committee. Pursuant to Wisconsin Administrative Code Tax 13.075(3)(b) each local impact committee shall appoint one voting member and one voting alternate member to the Joint Impact Committee.
5. One non-voting member from each Municipality may be added to the Joint Impact Committee by each Municipality.
6. The Members of the Joint Impact Committee shall serve staggered terms specified by the Chairman of their Local Impact Committee that shall each serve for 3-year staggered terms (superseded by new or reappointed members the terms of which shall vary to ensure the lowest amount of simultaneous turnover possible).
7. The election of chairman, vice-chairman and secretary of the Joint Impact Committee shall be held annually at the first meeting after April 1, or as otherwise called for or allowed under Roberts Rules of Order.
8. All Joint Impact Committee action must be approved by each respective Municipality for such action to be binding on that Municipality.
9. All meetings of the Joint Impact Committee shall, to the extent not inconsistent with applicable law or Ordinances, be conducted pursuant to the latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order.
10. The terms of this Resolution shall apply to all meetings, powers, and duties of the Joint Impact Committee. Failure to adhere to these terms or other Joint Impact Committee rules, procedures or activities by a Municipality shall not render a Municipality as not "participating" in the Joint Impact Committee to the extent it declines to attend or contribute where it deems such terms, rules, or activities as not best serving the interest of the Municipality.
11. In carrying out the purposes specified in Wisconsin statutes 295.443 and 70.395(2), the Joint Mining Impact Committee may prepare and submit grant applications for member

- Municipalities for operating funds to, without limitation, establish local agreements, educate population, plan for infrastructure needs and monitor water and air quality. Each individual or group application submitted by the joint Impact Committee must be approved by the local Municipality and reviewed by the Joint Impact Committee prior to submission to the Mining Investment and Local Impact Fund Board.
12. The terms of this Resolution shall be superseded by the terms of any Resolution or Ordinance adopted by a member Municipality to the extent to which any terms of said resolution or ordinance conflict with this Resolution.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

Motion by Roberts, seconded by Thomas to adopt. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Lambert, seconded by Smith to adjourn at 6:30 PM. All aye. Motion carried.

Michael Saari
Iron County Clerk