

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Equalization Meeting  
April 9, 2019

Chairman Hentschel called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. at the Governmental Center.

**OPENING CEREMONIES, EXERCISES OR INVOCATION**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

PRESENT: Addison Wheelock, Jr., Gordie LaPointe, Brad Jewett, Bryce Hundley, Betsy Coffia, Ron Clous, and Rob Hentschel

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**EQUALIZATION ANNUAL REPORT**

Jim Baker, Equalization Director, reviewed the annual report and answered Commissioners' questions.

Resolution 54-2019  
Equalization  
2019 Annual Report

Moved by Coffia, seconded by Wheelock to approve Resolution 54-2019. Motion carried.

**MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (MERS) INFORMATION**

Nate Alger, County Administrator, Chris Forsyth, Deputy County Administrator, and Dean Bott, Finance Director, provided updated information regarding the MERS defined benefit retirement program. Commissioners discussed possible future payment actions to stay on track with the obligation.

Moved by Hentschel, seconded by LaPointe, to direct staff to provide a recommendation for a payment policy similar to Scenario 2 provided by MERS in their report and report back to the Commissioners at a future meeting. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Bruce Moore** addressed the Commissioners during Public Comment

Meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

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Bonnie Scheele, County Clerk

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Rob Hentschel, Chairman

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Initials) \_\_\_\_\_