

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Study Session
October 23 2019

Chairman Hentschel called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. at the Governmental Center.

OPENING CEREMONIES OR EXERCISES

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

PRESENT: Betsy Coffia (8:03 a.m.), Bryce Hundley, Brad Jewett, Addison Wheelock, Jr.,
Ron Clous, Gordie LaPointe, and Rob Hentschel

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following person addressed the Commissioners during Public Comment.

Noelle Moeggenberg

MOTION TO END STUDY SESSION AT 10:00 A.M.

Moved by Jewett, seconded by LaPointe to conclude the study session at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: Yes 5, No 2

Nay: Hundley and Coffia

RECOMMENDED 2020 BUDGET

Commissioners invited the department heads and elected officials present to speak about their staffing requests. Due to a miscommunication between the Administration office and the elected officials regarding when they would be presenting to the board, the elected officials requested to be added to a future study session.

Chairman Hentschel indicated that motions regarding “procedure” would be allowed during this study session.

Wendy Hirschenberger, Health Officer, requested clarification on staffing requests for the Health Department since a lot of their revenue is from grants.

Moved by Coffia, seconded by Hundley to invite elected officials and department heads to give a 15 minute formal presentation regarding their staffing requests at the October 30th Study Session. Commissioner Hundley added a friendly amendment to have them include in the agenda packet copies of the department requests.

Roll Call Vote: Yes 3, No 4

Nay: Jewett, Wheelock, Clous, LaPointe and Hentschel

Motion failed.

Moved by Wheelock, seconded by Jewett to allow the 3 elected officials that were requesting additional staff to appear at the October 30th Study Session to submit their formal presentations regarding their staffing requests and the elected officials documentation of request will be included in the agenda packet.

Roll Call Vote: Yes 6, No 1

Nay: Hentschel

Sheriff Tom Bensley and Prosecuting Attorney Noelle Moeggenberg spoke about their staffing requests and answered Commissioners' questions. More detail will be forthcoming at the October 30, 2019 Study Session.

Commissioner Coffia requested Administration to bring back a report on the County Commissioners' 2019 budget status.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Bonnie Scheele County Clerk

Rob Hentschel, Chairman

APPROVED: _____
(Date) _____ (Initials)