Leelanau County Board of Commissioners
Special Session – Monday, July 25, 2022
Approved 8/16/2022

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Meeting called to order by Chairman Ty Wessell at 3:44 p.m. Today's meeting is being held at the Government Center, 8527 E. Government Center Drive, Suttons Bay, Michigan.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the moment of silence was dispensed with by Chairman Wessell, as it was recited and held at the prior meeting.

Roll Call:	District #1	Rick Robbins	PRESENT
	#2	Debra L. Rushton	PRESENT
	#3	Lois Bahle	PRESENT
	#4	Ty Wessell	PRESENT
	#5	Patricia Soutas-Little	PRESENT
	#6	Gwenne Allgaier	PRESENT
	#7	Melinda C. Lautner	PRESENT

Public Comment:
None.

Commissioner Comment:
None.

Purpose of Meeting – Discussion/Potential Action:
Sheriff's Office Boat Purchase Request –
Sheriff Michael Borkovich and Marine Deputy Wayne Edington present.

Sheriff Borkovich provided a letter and handout to Commissioners that can be seen at the following links:
https://www.leelanau.gov/downloads/boat_req_ss_07252022.pdf
https://www.leelanau.gov/downloads/sheriff_office_boat_photo.pdf

Sheriff Borkovich explained to Commissioners the history of the Marine fleet and the recent repairs with M-4 (12-year-old 15 ft. boat). He said that the boat listed in the letter was found by Deputy Edington and is in Wisconsin. He continued that what he would like is to purchase this 19 ft. Boston Whaler at the price negotiated to $63,500.00. Borkovich said is looking for approval to purchase the boat in Wisconsin and then sell the M-4 (15 ft. Boston Whaler) that is currently not being used as much as it could be because it is the smallest boat in the fleet. He continued that if he receives permission to purchase the boat that the proceeds of the sale of M-4 would be utilized to purchase a new motor for M-3.

Deputy Edington answered Commissioner Rushton's questions in regards to why a Boston Whaler is the fleet preference.

Commissioner Lautner asked Sheriff Borkovich if the funds to purchase the boat are in the Marine budget?

Sheriff Borkovich replied that it is not budgeted and that the Marine budget is already looking to go over budget with the price of gas.

Commissioner Lautner asked where is the money going to come from?

Sheriff Borkovich replied that Administrator Chet Janik mentioned to him the Contingency Fund?

Chairman Wessell called upon Interim Finance Director Darcy Weaver in the audience.

Weaver replied contingency.

Commissioner Lautner continued that this is a lot of money and we are just now going into the budget process or at mid budget. Lautner stated that if she may she knows that Chief Deputy Clerk Jennifer Zywicki put the 2022 budget together and said she wasn't sure if Zywicki knew where the budget stands as of today, but would Zywicki have an opinion on this today if this should be pulled from contingency or is there another fund or what the status of contingency is? And because Zywicki did the 2022 budget would Zywicki be willing to answer?

Zywicki said that she would be more than happy to answer. She continued that the Sheriff does have funds available within the Motor Pool Fund that were set aside from the boat that was sold in 2021. Zywicki stated that the Board does have the option of using the contingency expense line within the General Fund for this purpose or the other option is to utilize the Budget Amendment still needed for 2022 to amend General Fund tax revenues and wages for departments, which Zywicki stated she believed that Weaver will be working with Finance Director Jared Prince to create for the Board soon. Zywicki continued that with the approval in May of 2022 of the L-4029 setting the tax revenue for the 2022 Budget that the amount to amend revenues along with the Marine Grant awarded for 2022 should help offset the purchase. She stated that the Board could hold off using contingency for something else later in the year if needed.

Commissioner Lautner said that Zywicki mentioned the L-4029 and tax revenue and does that need to be set?

Zywicki replied that in May of 2022 the Board of Commissioners approved the taxable rate for the July tax bills and that the General Fund revenue number reflected in the 2022 budget is budgeted less than the amount that will be collected for 2022 and therefore can be used for the adjustment.

Commissioner Soutas-Little asked Sheriff Borkovich and Deputy Edington if they could give a little more background on the Marine fleet. Discussion ensued. Soutas-Little thanked the Sheriff Borkovich and Deputy Edington.

Commissioner Bahle stated that she finds the Boston Whaler a dependable and reliable choice and supports the purchase.

Commissioner Robbins stated that he discussed with Administrator Chet Janik that when the boat sells that the collected funds would stay within the Marine Division to ensure it is used for a motor purchase.

#209-07252022 Special Session
MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE A BOSTON WHALER 190 19 FT. WITH TRAILER FOR $63,500.00, AND FUNDING YET TO BE DETERMINED. SECONDED BY ALLGAIER.
Discussion – None.
AYES – 7 (Lautner, Robbins, Rushton, Soutas-Little, Wessell, Allgaier, Bahle)
NO – 0 MOTION CARRIED.

#210-07252022 Special Session
MOTION BY ROBBINS THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ALLOW THE SHERIFF TO SELL THE MARINE FLEET 15 FT. BOSTON WHALER, KNOWN AS M4, AND APPROVE THAT THE PROCEEDS STAY WITHIN THE MARINE DIVISION TO PURCHASE A MOTOR FOR THE MARINE FLEET 17 FT. BOSTON WHALER, KNOWN AS M3. SECONDED BY RUSHTON.
Discussion – None.
AYES – 7 (Robbins, Rushton, Soutas-Little, Wessell, Allgaier, Bahle, Lautner)
NO – 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Sheriff Borkovich thanked the Board for the support, and asked Zywicki how to attain payment?

Zywicki replied and advised the Sheriff to supply Accounting with an invoice and a check could be cut as soon as Friday, July 29, 2022.

Public Comment:
None.

Commissioner Comments:
None.

Adjournment:
Meeting adjourned by Chairman Wessell at 4:15 p.m.

Ty Wessell, Chairman
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners

Jennifer L. Zywicki, Chief Deputy County Clerk
for Michelle L. Crocker, Leelanau County Clerk