

**County ACCOUNTABILITY (continued) and more)** By Stephen P. Mikowski Lake Leelanau, MI

\*\*\*The following read/paraphrased from notes taken during meeting, at 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Comment Period to best of my ability/recollection (At end of above meeting).

\* **County Commission (BOC) Accountability** (*Continued*) due to THREE MINUTE **time limit** at First (1<sup>st</sup>) Public Comment Period..

'The most harmful result of the **May 11, 2021 BOC's Clerk-Loathing bad decision is**, unless this BOC takes action to prevent, that **it will forever DISCOURAGE** good qualified people from running for Clerks/other Office(s) (Note that County Treasurer apparently filed (violating(?) standard protocol) an unfounded wrongdoing complaint against Clerk with the State Police).

\* **Property tax discussion:** We have appealed to Mich. Tax Tribunal 4 times and were successful 3 times including once on appeal.

\* **Full Faith and Credit Discussion:** One Commission remembers this as to the \$8,000,000 Leelanau County (Leland System) Sewer Project Financed and owned by the COUNTY for 20 years! The **County took title to the sewage treatment plant land** in the Provemont Pond 100 Acre Nature Area Park (secretly stolen from Twp People by the Leland Twp Board, Leelanau County Commission and Leelanau County Board of Public Works) as a requirement to sell \$1.9 million 20 year bond with **9-3/8 percent interest rate non-callable for 10 years.**

\* **Juvenile Detention Center Discussion:** Hopefully this Commission has in its possession a ONE or TWO page Top Line NEED/NECESSITY/JUSTIFICATION/BENEFITS report. It would be an expensive tragedy if not and the County Commission (BOC) goes FULL STEAM AHEAD on this EXTREMELY COSTLY project in spite of the very limited needs of LEELANAU COUNTY. If so it may become as bad as the May 11, 2021 BOC **Clerk-Loathing** decision..

\* **Statement at meeting re: 'Government Spends Money Wisely'**.

Attending most County /Twp meetings for 35 years appears to contradict that. Observe the serious costly problems of the \$8 million **Leelanau County** Leland Sewer System and same for Northport/Leelanau \$13(?) million projects...

From a book we read: Antonio de Mendoza's, 1<sup>st</sup> Viceroy of Mexico (1550's) , advice to successor: **'When in public service do as little as possible...then do it very slowly..'**