

**HOUGHTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 5, 2020**

The Houghton County Board of Commissioners held a Special meeting on Thursday, March 5, 2020, in the 5th Floor Conference room of the Courthouse, City of Houghton.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Albert Koskela at 3:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Koskela.

Roll call:

The following commissioners responded to roll call:

Tom Tikkanen, District 1; Albert Koskela, District 2; Gretchen Janssen, District 4; Roy Britz, District 5.

Approval of Agenda/Additions:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Tikkanen, seconded by Commissioner Britz to approve the Agenda as presented.

The Motion carried by a voice vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Public Comments

Russ Erkkila read letter AFSCME Local 226. On January 27, 2020 the Union learned of the December 19, 2019 letter.

Article II-Union contract reprimand. Read Act 397 1978. Article 32, Article 39 of Personal Policy. Condemnation of County Clerk.

New Business:

1. Houghton County Courthouse Union Letter

A Motion was made by Commissioner Britz and seconded by Commissioner Janssen to go into closed session.

The Motion carried by the following vote.

YES: Britz, Janssen, Tikkanen, Koskela 4.

NO: None 0.

The Board came out of closed session.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Tikkanen and seconded by Commissioner Janssen to proceed with the recommended action from the closed session.

The Motion carried by the following vote.

YES: Tikkanen, Janssen, Koskela, Britz 4.

NO: None 0.

Public Comments:

The Board replied to Todd VanDyke that the Board cannot discuss the decision made by the Board.

Announcements:

None.

Adjournment:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Tikkanen and seconded by Commissioner Britz to adjourn at 5:05 pm.

The Motion carried by a voice vote. Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Albert Koskela, Chairman

Jennifer Kelly, County Clerk