

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, held at the Chippewa County Courthouse, 319 Court St., Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on the 19th day of December 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Jim Martin, Bob Savoie, Justin Knepper, Damon Lieurance and Jim Traynor

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Commissioner Savoie and seconded by Commissioner Lieurance.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-33

Resolution Supporting the Michigan Legislature and Senator Damoose in Obtaining Funding Earmarked for EUPTA

Whereas all Chippewa County Island residents and visitors need access to schools, school activities, mobility, employment, government services, healthcare, hospitals, the airport, government offices, civic groups, family, and social engagements.

Whereas vital service providers such as fuel delivery, road maintenance, snow removal, sanitation, septic, electrical, internet, fire and emergency require frequent and unplanned access to the Chippewa County Islands.

Whereas the Eastern Upper Peninsula Transportation Authority (EUPTA) is the exclusive governing agency of ferry services and cannot afford to properly fund it to provide sufficient daily ferry trips.

Whereas Island residents have daily needs for mobility, equity, accessibility, and

Whereas the Michigan Legislature possesses the ability to provide funding to meet the Islands capital and operational needs; now, therefore be it

Resolved that the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners respectfully supports the Michigan Legislature and Senator Damoose in obtaining urgently needed funding earmarked for EUPTA's ferry services serving Chippewa County residents over the next three years, in order to modernize infrastructure and establish late night ferry services to Neebish Island.

A VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS

AYES: Jim Martin, Bob Savoie, Justin Knepper, Damon Lieurance and Jim Traynor

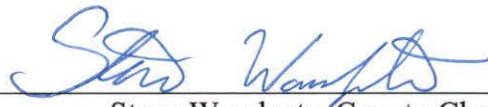
NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED
December 19, 2024

**RESOLUTION 2024-33 – Requesting Michigan Legislature and Senator Damoose to Assist
in Obtaining Funding Earmarked EUPTA.**

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF CHIPPEWA)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by the County Board of Commissioners of Chippewa County at a regular meeting held on the date first stated above, and I further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.



Steve Woodgate, County Clerk