

Leelanau County **Finance/Audit** Committee Meeting of Leelanau County Board of Commissioners June 6, 2023
For the public Record By Stephen P. Mikowski Lake Leelanau, MI 2023-06-06_lccfinaudcom

Our extemporaneous public comments at end of the above meeting are from our recollection and notes taken during meeting to the best of our ability per below.

This 2022 Audit meeting has revealed serious things about County Finances that we have not experienced while attending more than 300 Leelanau County Commission meetings over 35 years...

The information Rehman Auditors' Mr. Peacock apparently reveals serious financial reporting concerns caused by Leelanau County's prior Commission's May 11, 2021 Executive Meeting Clerk-Loathing (late addition) **decision** to remove all Financial and Human resources duties and responsibilities from the Clerk ***immediately***. A self-induced serious problem caused by most commissioners **emotional decision!** This ***COSTLY*** decision was made without any **report** of any kind as to **need/necessity/justification/benefit, no discussions with Clerk and no plan!** To date **NO such a report has been presented, yet this Commission continues full steam ahead apparently wasting goodwill, money and resources!** Further, the appearances are that that **decision** was an apparent attempt to destroy the long serving clerk, deliberately cause chaos with county finances and harm taxpayers. We estimate that commissioners and administrators have wasted nearly \$500,000 so far on this futile unnecessary exercise (reckless decision).

We again request this commission to prepare an accounting at once of all the costs and harm this Clerk-Loathing reckless decision has caused to people at County Offices and taxpayers.'