

Board Conference Room
March 10, 2016
Board of Commissioners Minutes

The regular meeting of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Powers in the Board Conference Room on Thursday, March 10, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

Roll was called by the Clerk. Present: Mr. Brown, Mr. Gustafson, Ms. Kolbe, Mr. Byl, Mr. Walker, Mr. Sebolt, and Mr. Powers. Absent: None.

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2016 meeting as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Ms. Michelle Martin, Chief Deputy, Oceana County Drain Commission, announced her decision to run for the office of Oceana County Drain Commissioner as a Republican candidate. She has been employed with Oceana County since 2004.

Correspondence was received from Ms. Robin Rash, Chairperson, Friends of Oceana County Council on Aging (OCCOA). She thanked the Board for allowing OCCOA to place a ballot issue on the August 2, 2016 Oceana County Primary Election. OCCOA means so much to the older individuals in the County and for many it is their "lifeline to the world".

The "not so old" seniors benefit greatly too as the OCCOA is a wonderful place to gather with friends. Many individuals enjoy the daily human encounters, personal care, and numerous activities provided.

Ms. Rash invited the Board members to attend one of their luncheons in the very near future to personally witness the programs and activities provided. The correspondence is on file in the County Clerk's office.

Ms. Kolbe stated that at the Personnel and Licensing and Inspection Services Committee meeting held earlier in the morning, seven candidates were present to express their interest in filling the vacant position on the County Road Commission. (Eight applied, but one was not able to attend) Each candidate was then evaluated by County Board members.

Ms. Kolbe asked each Commissioner to rate their three top choices. Each Commissioner posted their choices on the white board, and then the votes were tallied by Ms. Kolbe. The candidate receiving the most votes was Mr. Gary Tate from Hart.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – APPOINTMENT TO THE OCEANA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Moved by Ms. Kolbe and seconded by Mr. Brown to appoint Mr. Gary Tate to the Oceana County Road Commission for the term ending December 31, 2016, effect immediately due to the passing of Mr. Russell Eilers.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICE (EMS) OPERATION MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Kolbe to approve the language of the following Ballot Proposition for the provision of operating millage for the Oceana County Emergency Ambulance Service:

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and tangible personal property for all purposes in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in the County of Oceana, Michigan by .9948 mills (which is equal to \$0.9948 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value of all such property) for a period of four years, 2016 through 2019, inclusive, for the purpose of paying costs of operating the Oceana County Emergency Ambulance Service? The amount of revenue the County will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the County in the first calendar year is estimated to be \$1,157,457. The proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized millage, the revenue from which would be disbursed to the County of Oceana.

Roll call vote: Mr. Walker-yes; Ms. Kolbe-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Byl-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 – APPROVAL OF MILLAGE PROPOSAL FOR CONTINUED FUNDING OF THE OCEANA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the language of the following Ballot Proposition for the provision of operating millage for the Oceana County Department of Veterans’ Affairs:

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and tangible personal property for all purposes in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in Oceana County, Michigan by 0.10 mills (which is equal to \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value of all such property) for a period of four (4) years, 2016 through 2019, inclusive, for the purpose of funding, equipping, staffing, maintaining and operating a Department of Veterans’ Affairs to provide support and assistance services to all qualified veterans, their eligible spouses and families as authorized under PA 192 of 1953 and to be administered and operated under the guidelines set forth under PA 192 of 1953?

This is a renewal of a 0.10 mills levy which expired in 2015. The amount of revenue the County will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the County in the first calendar year is estimated to be \$116,351.

Roll call vote: Mr. Sebolt-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Byl-yes; Ms. Kolbe-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – APPROVAL OF COMMERCIAL GAS CUSTOMER CHOICE CONTRACT WITH DILLION ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

Moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Byl to authorize the Oceana County Administrator/Fiscal Officer to enter into a Commercial Gas Customer Choice Contract with Dillon Energy Services, Inc. for a fixed rate not to exceed \$0.0325 per ccf for a one year contract.

Roll call vote: Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Byl-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Ms. Kolbe-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 - APPROVAL FOR USE OF OCEANA COUNTY AIRPORT BY THE AEROKATS RADIO CONTROL FLYING CLUB

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Ms. Kolbe to authorize the Aerokats Radio Control Flying Club, chartered members of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), to use the Oceana County Airport grass strip runway property as described for radio control flying activities until December 31, 2016 under the following conditions:

1. The Aerokats Flying Club must abide by all rules governing safety and frequency control of their model aircraft as set forth in the membership regulations.
2. The Academy of Model Aeronautics provides liability insurance for its members and the County of Oceana for up to \$1,500,000 per occurrence and \$4,000,000 per aggregate.
3. Only A.M.A. members are permitted to fly at the site. A spotter must be in place before flying would be allowed by any individual in order to avoid interference with full size aircraft.
4. The Aerokats Flying Club must report to the Oceana County Airport Manager if anyone other than members of the A.M.A. is using the Oceana County Airport property.
5. The Aerokats Flying Club must maintain their section of the airport property (approximately 300' x 300') in a close cropped condition.
6. The Oceana County Airport Manager will have the final discretion as to whether rules for using the airport property have been violated.

Use of the Oceana County Airport for radio control flying activities shall be subject to annual review prior to its authorization.

Roll call vote: Mr. Sebolt-yes; Ms. Kolbe-yes; Mr. Byl-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – 2016 GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Brown to amend the 2016 General Fund Budget from \$10,273,893 to \$10,270,521 as follows:

REVENUE:

Decrease 101-253-571.000 Remonumentation Grant by \$3,372 from \$35,000 to \$31,628

EXPENDITURES:

Decrease 101-245-821.000 Remonumentation – Other Contractual Services by \$17,453 from \$49,081 to \$31,628

Increase 101-972.999.000 Contingency Fund by \$11,795 from \$54,123 to \$65,918

Increase 101-301-717.000 Sheriff's Budget - Life Insurance by \$1,327 from \$1,463 to \$2,790

Increase 101-331-717.000 Marine Law Budget – Life Insurance by \$68 from \$74 to \$142

Increase 101-332-717.000 Snowmobile Budget – Life Insurance by \$24 from \$24 to \$48

Increase 101-333-717.000 Secondary Road Patrol – Life Insurance by \$71 from \$71 to \$142

Increase 101-351-717.000 Jail Budget – Life Insurance – by \$796 from \$823 to \$1,619

Roll call vote: Mr. Byl-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Ms. Kolbe-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 – PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION’S GRANT REQUEST

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to not take action at this time on the Parks and Recreation Commission’s request to submit a Great Lakes Fishery Trust (GLFT) grant for the removal of the Marshville Dam.

Roll call vote: Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Byl-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Ms. Kolbe-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Ms. Kolbe to approve the payment of claims in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE FUND	93,962.83
GIS	-0-
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND	-0-
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	8,774.56
CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING FUND	-0-
CAPITOL PROJECTS – EQUIP. REPLACEMENT	-0-
CAPITOL PROJECTS – SHERIFF	-0-
TOTAL FORECLOSURE FUND	2,280.00
AUTOMATION FUND R.O.D.	143.28
VICTIM SERVICES	-0-
LOCAL CORR. OFFICERS TRAINING FUND	-0-
GENERAL FUND	<u>416,650.24</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$521,810.91</u>

and to authorize the County Clerk to draw warrants and the County Treasurer to pay the same.

Roll call vote: Mr. Byl-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Ms. Kolbe-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

Ms. Johnson met with Mr. Halbower recently in regards to the Annexation between Rothbury Village and Grant Township. Both the Village and the Township have approved the annexation and final approval must be by the County Board. A notice must be published detailing the proposed boundary changes. The township would not lose any property taxes because the village is part of the township. The annexation would most likely occur later this year, or the early part of 2017.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Commissioner Byl noted that the Shelby Village Planning Commission will meet Tuesday evening, March 15, 2016 to discuss the approval of a land use permit for the EMS Department to purchase the MOCAAP building at the south end of town.

Commissioner Gustafson stated that he recently attended the Annual Pentwater Township meeting and will be at the Michigan Township Association (MTA) tonight.

Commissioner Kolbe recently attended the NACo Legislative Conference and provided a handout of the informational items discussed. She related that she was privileged to attend a White House Rural Council roundtable discussion which covered information about Veterans and the workforce issues they must deal with, rural economies and rural substance abuse issues. All were very interesting. She informed the Board that NACo has a new slogan which is "COUNTIES MATTER".

Commissioner Kolbe encouraged all Commissioners to visit the NACo website as there is a lot of useful information on it relating to County government.

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Rebecca J. Griffin, County Clerk

Date

Mr. Powers, Chairperson