

Board Conference Room  
January 26, 2017  
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, January 26, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

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

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Brown to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2017 Regular and Organizational meetings as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Dr. Lisa Hotovy-Williams, West Michigan Community Mental Health System Director, (WMCMHS) provided an update regarding West Michigan Community Mental Health/Lakeshore Regional Entity. She explained the two main "buckets" of funding – Medicaid and General Fund.

The Federal Government allocates a certain amount of Medicaid dollars to each state annually. However, to receive the dollars, the State of Michigan must put forth a certain percent of state dollars called "match money". She went on to explain the process of Medicaid dollars.

The General Fund money is much simpler to understand than the Medicaid money. General Fund money is basically derived using money from taxpayers. The General Fund is what Michigan uses to pay for all the essential things it takes to run a State – including schools, roads, parks, public health, mental health, corrections, etc. She related that in the past few years, funding has decreased for many State agencies, which makes it hard to provide many of the services needed.

Ms. Hotovy-Williams noted that overall things are going well. WMCMHS continues to provide the best treatment and services they can. They have five main sites: two in Hart, two in Ludington and one in Baldwin. They continue to work with primary care physicians in the community to provide medication assistance to some of the mental health patients.

Chairperson Powers thanked Ms. Hotovy-Williams for her presentation. Ms. Hotovy-Williams stated that she would probably be back in the next few months to provide a review of 2016 activity.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 1 – AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A COMPUTER AND PRINTER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

Moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to authorize the purchase of a new computer and printer for the Department of Veterans' Affairs at a cost not to exceed \$2,200. Furthermore, the County Administrator is authorized to make the necessary budget amendment.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2 – AWARD OF CONTRACT TO GABRIDGE & COMPANY TO PERFORM ANNUAL AUDITS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2017, 2018, 2019**

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to authorize the County Administrator to sign a three-year agreement with Gabridge & Company to perform annual audits for fiscal years ending 2017, 2018, and 2019 for the following fees:

- FY 2017 - \$30,600
- FY 2018 - \$31,200
- FY 2019 – \$31,800

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3 – APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE OCEANA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, OCEANA COUNTY SHERIFF EMPLOYEES, AND THE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN (POAM) UNION**

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the proposed agreement between the Oceana County Board of Commissioners and the Oceana County Sheriff Employees and Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) union as follows:

- 2% wage increase for all POAM employees (retroactive to 1/1/2017)
- \$500 wage increase for corrections officers within the POAM
- \$62,430 contribution to the Sheriff – defined benefit (DB) pension plan
- One-time additional taxable compensation totaling \$17,570 for eligible employees in the POAM.

The provisions of the proposed agreement shall only take effect pursuant to ratification of the same by the POAM. Furthermore, the Chairperson of the Board, the Oceana County Clerk, and the Oceana County Sheriff shall be authorized to sign the appropriate documents on behalf of the county.

Roll call vote: Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Ms. Meyette-no; Mr. Byl-no; and Mr. Powers-no. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to appoint Mr. Andrew Sebolt to the Lakeshore Regional Entity Policy Board for a term expiring March 31, 2018.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 4 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

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

<b>AMBULANCE FUND</b>	<b>108,268.15</b>
<b>PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND</b>	<b>6,869.40</b>
<b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY FUND</b>	<b>270.15</b>
<b>TOTAL FORECLOSURE FUND</b>	<b>1,474.70</b>
<b>VETERAN AFFAIRS</b>	<b>3,264.02</b>
<b>GIS</b>	<b>6,000.00</b>
<b>AUTOMATION FUND R.O.D.</b>	<b>99.98</b>
<b>LOCAL CORR. OFFICERS TRAINING FUND</b>	<b>125.00</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b><u>358,980.04</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$485,351.44</u></b>

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; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Walker related that in having discussions with respect to defining job descriptions, Mason/Oceana 911 has also started the process to do the same.

Commissioner Byl informed the Board that the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was given notice that the Revolving Loan Fund, which is used very sparingly, may be discontinued if it is not used. The State recommended that the fund be abandoned, and if so, then 75% of those funds would have to be returned to them. The EDC does have a means of continuing with the fund if they can present a plan to the State. This issue will be discussed at the next EDC meeting in February. There is approximately \$90,000 currently in the fund, with one outstanding loan.

Commissioner Sebolt announced that today is Michigan’s 180<sup>th</sup> Birthday!!!

Chairperson Powers noted that at the recent Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) meeting, Mr. Ryan Schiller was elected as Vice-Chair.

Chairperson Powers thanked Mr. Gustafson and Mr. Walker for their work and involvement in the POAM negotiation process.

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

  
Rebecca J. Griffin, County Clerk

2-9-17  
Date

  
Mr. Powers, Chairperson