

Board Conference Room  
August 24, 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, August 24, 2017 at 11:30 a.m.

Roll was called by the Clerk. Present: Mr. Larry Byl, Mr. Dean Gustafson, Ms. Martha Meyette, Mr. Andrew Sebolt, Mr. Robert Walker and Mr. Denny Powers. Absent: Mr. Jim Brown.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Ms. Meyette to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2017 meeting as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1 – ACCEPTANCE OF AN AGREEMENT TO TERMINATE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION REVOLVING LOAN FUND**

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Byl to accept the Agreement of Termination of EDA Revolving Loan Fund Award No. 06-39-02173 as described by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) in a letter dated August 8, 2017. Those conditions include:

1. Oceana County Board of Commissioners affirms that it will continue to service the one outstanding loan consistent with EDA requirements.
2. Oceana County Board of Commissioners warrants that the financial statements presented to EDA accurately reflect the entire remaining balance of the EDA Revolving Loan Fund. Oceana County Board of Commissioners warrants that they will fully cooperate with and respond to any U.S. Government audit, investigation, or other inquiry of any kind that may arise in connection with the EDA Revolving Loan Fund, including but not limited to any audit, investigation, or other inquiry by the U.S. Department of Commerce.
3. Oceana County Board of Commissioners shall reimburse the Federal Government within 30 days of termination of the Award, \$51,400.24 plus additional interest, which is its proportionate share of the EDA Revolving Loan Fund.

Furthermore, the Chairperson of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign the Agreement to Terminate.

Roll call vote: Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Byl-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Brown.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to transfer \$60,000 from the General Fund 101-970-999.292 Transfers Out to the Child Care Fund 292-000-699.998 Transfers In. The request is a portion of the total appropriation of \$207,300 included in the FY 2017 budget.

Roll call vote: Ms. Meyette-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Mr. Byl-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Brown.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3 – APPROVAL OF DATES FOR THE 2018 BUDGET WORKSHOP AND DEPARTMENT HEAD HEARINGS**

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Walker to establish the following meeting schedule in regard to development of the proposed 2018 Budget and Wage Schedule:

**Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.** in the Board Conference Room – Special Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting for the 2018 Budget and Wage Schedule Workshop.

**Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.** in the Board Conference Room – Special Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting for 2018 Budget Hearings with Department Heads (if needed).

Voice vote. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 4 – DATE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2018 BUDGET**

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Byl to conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed 2018 Budget and Wage Schedule, and property tax millage rate(s) to be levied to support the proposed 2018 Budget, on **Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Board Conference Room, Hart, Michigan.

The Oceana County Board of Commissioners may not adopt its proposed 2018 Budget until after the public hearing. Copies of the proposed 2018 Budget and Wage Schedule including the authorized County operating property tax millage rate and proposed voted property tax millage rates for the Oceana County Ambulance Service, Oceana County Medical Care Facility, Oceana County Veterans Affairs, Oceana County Council on Aging, and Oceana County 911 will be available for public inspection effective **Monday, October 23, 2017** during normal business hours at the Office of the Oceana County Administrator, Oceana County Building, 100 State Street, Hart, Michigan.

Furthermore, if approved by the Oceana County Board of Commissioners to be placed on a ballot, an Oceana County Council on Aging operating millage is subject to voter approval of a renewal millage in 2018.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 5 - PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

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

<b>AMBULANCE FUND</b>	<b>\$ 56,035.97</b>
<b>GIS FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>	<b>1,408.47</b>
<b>BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND</b>	<b>9,902.23</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY &amp; INNOVATION FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL BUILDING</b>	<b>49,281.00</b>
<b>TOTAL FORECLOSURE FUND</b>	<b>12,409.22</b>
<b>K-9 FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>

VETERAN AFFAIRS	3,835.58
MEDICAL RESERVE CORP	-0-
AUTOMATION FUND R.O.D.	289.98
LOCAL CORR. OFFICERS TRAINING FUND	289.00
GENERAL FUND	<u>247,551.57</u>
TOTAL	<b>\$381,003.02</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. Gustafson-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Brown.

Motion carried.

Mr. Gustafson stated that, with respect to a discussion held earlier this morning in the Personnel, Licensing and Inspection Services Committee meeting, he felt it best *not* to act on a wage increase for Mr. Sobie, County Administrator/Fiscal Officer, at this time. The intention is to award Mr. Sobie an increase in pay; however, he felt it best to wait for clarification with regards to the proposed wage study. Thus, it will be discussed at the September 28, 2017 Board meeting.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Byl reminded all those present that this Saturday, August 26, a meeting will be at the Grace Youth Camp to discuss the Silver Lake Sewer Project. There have many ongoing discussions regarding which direction is going to be best suited for the area. The public is invited to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Sebolt noted that he attended the Road Commission meeting yesterday and was informed that some of the highway safety signs may be coming down as they are very outdated.

Commissioner Meyette attended the recent Newfield Township meeting whereby the County Drain Commissioner presented information relative to the Hesperia Drain. Also, part of Loop Road in Newfield Township will be undergoing a resurface.

Commissioner Gustafson related that he will be out of town the next few weeks; thus, he will try and meet with Mr. Sobie regarding the proposed wage increase and wage study before he leaves.

Chairperson Powers attended the LEPC meeting whereby hazardous materials were discussed. Funding may be dropped, which could pose a problem. This may not necessarily affect counties, but local entities. There is still discussion on the "Spiller Pay Ordinance" issue and ongoing concerns.


**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

  
 Rebecca J. Griffin, Clerk

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 Date

  
 Mr. Powers, Chairperson