

Board Conference Room
June 14, 2018
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, June 14, 2018 at 12:06 p.m.

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

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Byl to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2018 meeting as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Chairperson Powers opened the Public Hearing on the County of Oceana's Truth-in-Taxation at 12:07 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining public input on the proposed 2018 Truth-in-Taxation. The proposed 2018 Truth-in-Taxation hearing must be held in order to allow the County to collect the maximum millage rates allowed.

Chairperson Powers asked if there were any public comments. Mr. Mark Ferris, Grant Township resident, raised a few questions regarding funds received on land sale auctions, concerns over the County's budget and ideas on truth-and-taxation.

Chairperson Powers asked two more times if there were any further comments. There being no further public comments, Chairperson Powers closed the Public Hearing at 12:10 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – APPROVAL OF 2019 SENIOR RESOURCES PLAN

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Walker to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Senior Resources of West Michigan, an Area Agency on Aging serves the counties of Muskegon, Oceana and Ottawa and it was designated as an Area Agency on Aging in 1973 by said counties to administer the Older Americans Act and the Older Michiganians Act with said designation approved by the Office of Services to the Aging and authorized by the Michigan Commission on Aging; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Senior Resources is to provide a comprehensive and coordinated system of services designed to assist in maintaining the independence, dignity and quality of life for the elderly and act as an advocate for them by advancing causes or issues that are vital to their welfare; and

WHEREAS, it is Senior Resources specific goal to effectively implement the Older Americans Act by developing and administering a regional area plan for coordinating and contracting with viable agencies for services for persons 60 years and older; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Resources FY 2019 Annual Implementation Plan which is designed as an update to the FY 2017 - 2019 Multi-Year Area Plan once again emphasizes security and independence for the elderly with services targeted to low-income, frail, minority and the medically underserved elderly population; and

WHEREAS, it is also the intent of Senior Resources to assure that the basic services of home delivered meals, personal care, homemaker services, adult day care/in-home respite, case coordination and support and care management are available in the counties of Muskegon, Oceana and Ottawa; and

WHEREAS, it is the focus of Senior Resources, through its case management services, to provide older adults with the services necessary to remain in their own homes and to allow clients to choose from a pool of personal care, homemaking, in-home respite and adult day care providers; and

WHEREAS, use of a purchase of service format allows case managers more flexibility in arranging services and clients may choose their providers or change them if they are not satisfied; and

WHEREAS, Senior Resources has found this format to be a more efficient and effective use of limited dollars as demand for services continues to exceed the supply of available funds and requires the agency to look for alternative sources to assist their clients and to create measures to work with what they have.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the Oceana County Board of Commissioners approves the Senior Resources of West Michigan's FY 2019 Annual Implementation Plan to the FY 2017 - 2019 Multi-Year Area Plan as the goals and objectives reflect the views and input of elderly citizens, advisory council members, service providers, community leaders, the Senior Resources Program and Planning Advisory Board and the Senior Resources Board of Directors who participated throughout the region in the planning and public hearing process.

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

Motion carried.

Ms. Meyette commented that there are many entities and agencies within the county, and other areas, that provide services and resources, which is great; however, the services also come with a cost. She felt that there are probably many interested people who could provide the services and assistance as well.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – WILDFIRE PROTECTION GRANT

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Byl to authorize the Emergency Management Coordinator to accept the grant award of \$10,000 from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) Community Wildfire Protection Plan Grant. This is a reimbursement grant with funding provided to the county following receipt by the MDNR of valid copies of purchase documentation.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 – ACCEPTANCE OF MSP EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER GRANT

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to authorize the Emergency Management Coordinator to accept the grant award from the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (MSP/EMHSD) of \$4,910 for purchase of communications, and related,

equipment for the county's Emergency Operations Center. This grant award is a reimbursement grant with a requirement for a local funding match equal to the grant award.

The reimbursement portion of the grant occurs when the county submits valid copies of purchase documentation to MSP/EMHSD.

The local funding match requires a budget amendment. The County Administrator is authorized to transfer \$4,910 from the General Fund Contingency Account – 101-972-999.000 to the Emergency Management Department's Machinery and Equipment Account – 101-426-977.000.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – APPROVAL OF SUMMER TAX LEVY

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Oceana County is authorized under the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, as amended, to levy and collect County allocated property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act was amended by Public Act 357 of 2004, being MCL 211.44 a, to require all Michigan Counties to impose a summer tax levy, with the summer tax levies for 2005 and 2006 to be in the amount of 1/3rd and 2/3rds, respectively, of the total County allocated tax, with the full amount of County allocated tax to be levied and collected as a summer tax levy in 2007 and each year thereafter.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004, the Oceana County allocated tax shall be levied and collected on July 1, 2018, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.7500 mills.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Treasurer of each city and township in Oceana County is directed to account for and deliver the County allocated tax collections for 2018 in accordance with the provisions of Public Act 357 of 2004.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this Resolution constitutes Certification of the levy of the County allocated tax and authorized collection of the County allocated tax on July 1, 2018, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.7500 mills.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: That the County Clerk send a certified copy of this Resolution to the townships and cities within Oceana County.

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

Motion carried.

Ms. Meyette questioned if it would be possible for the county to perhaps **not** levy the full 5.7500 mills in 2018 to provide a little tax relief for the property owners of the county. She felt that the decrease would not be that much for just this one year.

Mr. Sobie stated that labor costs are about 2% higher each year than revenues collected; and, in order to balance the budget, the past two years, cuts have been made.

Mr. Walker added that by levying the full 5.7500 mills, the County is not advocating to make money, but trying to stay status quo to continue operations.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – APPROVAL OF 2018 MILLAGE LEVY

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners held the required Truth-in-Taxation Hearing on June 14, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners has considered the budgetary needs of the county for FY 2019, and

WHEREAS, the millage rates shown in the following table are the maximum millage rates allowed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Oceana’s 2018 Millage Levy shall be as follows:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Maximum Allowable Millage Levy</u>	<u>July 1, 2018 Millage Levy</u>	<u>December 1, 2018 Millage Levy</u>
Allocated	County Operating	5.7500	5.7500	.0000
Voted	MCF Operating	2.4847	.0000	2.4847
Voted	Ambulance Operating	.9948	.0000	.9948
Voted	Council on Aging Operating	1.0000	.0000	.7500
Voted	Council on Aging	.2500	.0000	.2500
Voted	Veterans	.1000	.0000	.1000
Voted	9-1-1	.1398	.0000	.1398
Voted	MCF Building	.4969	.0000	.2000
Current Maximum Allowable Millage Rates Under Headlee & MCL 211.34		11.2162		
2018 Oceana County Summer & Winter Millage Rates			5.7500	4.9193
2018 Oceana County Total Millage Rate			= 10.6693	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to authorize the Chairman of the Board and the Oceana County Clerk to sign the L-4029 Tax Rate Request Certifying Compliance with Section 31 of Article 9 of the State Constitution of 1963, and that the requested levy rates have also been reduced, if necessary to comply with MCL Sections 211.24e, and 211.34.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – APPROVAL OF CHILD CARE BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the FY 2018/2019 Oceana County Child Care Budget in the amount of \$431,600 and to authorize the Chairperson of the Board and County Administrator to sign the budget document. The FY 2018/2019 Child Care Budget in the amount of \$431,600 represents a continuation budget from the prior year with no increase or decrease to the budget.

The County’s FY 2018/2019 net share of the Child Care Budget is \$208,300 which represents a continuation budget from the prior year with no increase or decrease to the budget.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 – APPROVAL OF 2018 DRAIN EQUIPMENT REVOLVING FUND

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to authorize the County Administrator to establish a FY 2018 budget for the Drain Equipment Revolving Fund (#639) in the amount of \$3,500. Budgeted funds will be used to purchase equipment to be used to support drain maintenance functions on various county drains. The primary source of revenue, to offset expenditures in Fund 639, will be derived from charging individual drain funds for use of the equipment.

Revenues

- Increase account 639-000-400.000 Revenues from \$0.00 to \$3,000
- Increase account 639-000-401.000 Previous Year End from \$0.00 to \$500

Expenditures

- Increase account 639-000-800.000 Disbursements from \$0.00 to \$3,500

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 – AMENDMENT TO FY 2018 SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT K-9 FUND BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to authorize the County Administrator to amend the FY 2018 Sheriff’s Department K9 Fund (#267) budget by \$18,500 to reflect actual revenues received and to cover costs related to the K9 vehicle and employee training. Because actual revenues are not sufficient to cover all of the actual or anticipated expenditures, the K9 Fund’s fund balance account shall also be used. The budget shall be amended as follows:

Revenues

- Increase account 267-000-401.000 Previous Year-End Balance by \$6,912
- Increase account 267-000-665.010 Checking Interest by \$88
- Increase account 267-000-675.000 Donations by \$525
- Increase account 267-000-675.200 Grants by \$10,975

Expenditures

- Increase account 267-000-957.000 Employee Training by \$500
- Increase account 267-000-977.000 Machinery & Equipment by \$18,000

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 9 – APPOINTMENT TO THE OCEANA LAND BANK AUTHORITY

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the recommendation of the Oceana County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Board of Directors to appoint Mr. Gayle Forner to the Oceana County Land Bank Authority Board to fill the vacancy created by Ms. Anne Hardy's separation of employment with the EDC. The appointment is effective immediately with a term expiring 09/30/2019.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 10 – RECOGNITION OF THE 2018 HART HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK TEAM

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the outstanding performance by the student athletes and coaches of the Hart High School Girls Track team during the 2018 season; and

WHEREAS, the Hart High School Girls Track team won the State Championship completing an outstanding season of success; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners to recognize and congratulate the Hart High School Girls Track Coach Mindy Whitney; and all of the team's Assistant Coaches.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate the Hart High School Girls Track team on winning the Division 3 State Championship.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 11 – RECOGNITION OF THE 2018 HART HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the outstanding performance by the student athletes and coaches of the Hart High School Cross Country team during the 2017 season; and

WHEREAS, the Hart High School Girls Cross Country team won the State Championship completing an outstanding season of success; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners to recognize and congratulate the Hart High School Girls Cross Country Coach Terry Tatro; and all of the team's Assistant Coaches.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners does hereby congratulate the Hart High School Girls Cross Country team on winning the Division 3 State Championship.

Voice vote. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

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

AMBULANCE FUND	142,455.89
GIS FUND	130.00
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND	-0-
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	24,307.61
TECHNOLOGY	8,788.30
ANIMAL CONTROL BUILDING	-0-
TOTAL FORECLOSURE FUND	3,634.52
K-9 FUND	4,492.84
VETERAN AFFAIRS	6,118.71
MEDICAL RESERVE CORP	-0-
AUTOMATION FUND R.O.D.	1,336.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS EQUIP. REPLACEMENT	4,550.00
LOCAL CORR. OFFICERS TRAINING FUND	-0-
CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING	-0-
GENERAL FUND	<u>647,974.58</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u>843,788.45</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. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: None.

Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Chairperson Powers stated that he recently attended the District Health Department #10 meeting and learned that they are considering a possible 2% increase in the County's allocation amount. He then did some research on what costs the County now pays, not only the allocated amount, but other expenses such as maintenance, snowplowing and so forth. He is opposed to the increase in allocated costs.

Commissioner Sebolt presented a map by the Regional Trail Connectivity Group. It related to trail networks for Lake, Mason, Newaygo and Oceana counties and a possible trail extending from Oceana into Mason County.

Commissioner Gustafson reminded all Board members to complete the evaluation forms that he passed out a few weeks ago with respect to Mr. Sobie's upcoming performance evaluation. He would like to review and compile all information for the June 28 Board meeting.

Mr. Sobie asked for consideration in rescheduling the Thursday, June 28 County Board meetings and moving those up one week to Thursday, June 21. There is a good possibility that more information will be available regarding the status of EMS services.


Mr. John Cavanagh, Oceana's Herald Journal correspondent, with respect to the 2018 summer tax levy, commented that there were several years that the County did **not** hold a Truth and Taxation hearing, which resulted in less taxes being levied than could have been.

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 recessed at 12:45 p.m.


Rebecca J. Griffin, Clerk

7-12-18
Date


Mr. Powers, Chairperson