

Board Conference Room
September 12, 2019
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, September 12, 2019 at 11:32a.m.

Roll was called by the Clerk. Present: Mr. Sebolt, Mr. Gustafson, Ms. Meyette, Mr. Brown, Mr. Byl, Mr. Walker and Mr. Powers.

Mr. Sobie, Oceana County Administrator; and, Ms. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk were also present.

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Byl to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2019 minutes as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – 2019 CONSTITUTION DAY

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

WHEREAS, the American Revolution created an independent nation, the United States, and secured the first system of self-government as a model for the world; and

WHEREAS, this system of self-government produced the tenets of equal justice, limited government and Rule of Law that exists in the United States today; and

WHEREAS, the 39 delegates who signed the United States Constitution at the Constitutional Convention forever changed the course of human history and established the essential guide of compromise; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States protects the unalienable rights of every citizen of the United States, secures “the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity,” and sets the standard of governance for the world; and

WHEREAS, September 17, 2019 marks the 232nd anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution which is the supreme law of the land and the document by which We the People of this land self-govern.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oceana County Board of Commissioners hereby commemorates the 232nd anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 2019 and recognizes the sacrifices made by the people who made that signing possible.

Voice vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – REAPPOINTMENT OF COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to reappoint Dr. Rudy C. Ochs, D.O. as Oceana County Medical Examiner for a four-year term effective October 1, 2019 and expiring September 30, 2023.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 – REAPPOINTMENT TO LAND BANK BOARD

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to accept the recommendation of the County Treasurer that Mr. Gayle Forner be reappointed to the Oceana County Land Bank Board for a three-year term effective October 1, 2019 and expiring September 30, 2022:

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION OF CMH FOR APPOINTMENT TO CMH BOARD

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Brown to approve the recommendation of Dr. Lisa Williams, Executive Director of West Michigan Community Mental Health, to appoint Ms. Lucinda Shafer to the West Michigan Community Mental Health System Board of Directors to fill the remaining three-year term of a recently vacated board position with the new appointment expiring March 31, 2022.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – SUPPORT FOR LAKESHORE REGIONAL ENTITY’S (LRE) ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Ms. Meyette to accept the recommendation from Dr. Lisa Williams, West Michigan Community Mental Health, to send a letter to the director of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services supporting the Lakeshore Regional Entity’s (LRE) administrative complaint regarding the state’s decision to not renew the Medicaid services contract with the LRE.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to approve the payment of claims for September 12, 2019 in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE FUND	2,406.18
FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND	2,348.23
GIS FUND	-0-
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT	-0-
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	29,607.41
TECHNOLOGY	7,939.62
FORECLOSURE	2,588.74
K-9 UNIT	47.99
VETERANS AFFAIRS	12,573.88
MEDICAL RESERVE	139.75

AUTOMATION FUND – R.O.D.	114.98
INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	8,831.22
LOCAL CORR OFFICERS TRNG FUND	-0-
CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRNG	-0-
VICTIMS SERVICES	-0-
CAPITAL PROJ-EQUIP REPLACEMENT	-0-
GENERAL FUND	454,881.11
TOTAL	521,479.11

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

Motion carried.

Commissioners Report

Mr. Walker mentioned that he spoke with a retired circuit judge in the Upper Peninsula a strong interested in using the West Michigan Forensic Pathology Board as a non-member participant for post mortem examinations. If more non-member participants are willing to use WMFPB, the cost to the county would be decreased.

Mr. Gustafson emphasized that Longbridge Road needs to be fixed this year. He also mentioned that Pentwater Village and Pentwater Township share a building that has signs of deterioration and are working towards a solution.

Mr. Powers expressed his appreciation of the investment report provide by the treasurer.

Mr. Duram mentioned that there will be a meeting at the County Services Building on Thursday, September 19, 2019 with FEMA regarding flood mapping. This meeting will be open to the public from 5:00 – 7:00.

Mr. Sobie showed examples of some educational material regarding the Medical Marijuana Operations and Education grant that was obtained from LARA. Oceana County has contracted with District Health Department #10 to distribute the materials.

Mr. Powers shared a conversation that he had with an individual that had been fishing in Lake Michigan about a year ago when a wave caused him to flip and he lost everything in the kayak. Recently, the Oceana County Sheriff’s deputies were conducting dive practice and a bag of fishing gear was found with this man’s name on it. He received a call from the Sheriff’s office to inform him that it had been found. When he arrived at the Sheriff’s office to retrieve the bag, he discovered that the cell phone in the bag was in working condition.

Public Comment

Ms. Amy LaBarge, 605 Sixth Street, Pentwater, expressed concerns regarding the issue with Longbridge Road repairs.

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Amy L. Anderson, County Clerk

Date

Mr. Powers, Chairperson