

Board Conference Room  
September 26, 2019  
Board of Commissioners Minutes

The annual regular meeting of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Powers in the Board Conference Room on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 11:30 a.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. Coon, Oceana County Chief Deputy Clerk were also present.

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2019 minutes as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Ms. Coon provided a copy of the July 25, 2019 closed session Personnel meeting minutes to the board members for their review.

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Byl to approve the closed session minutes of the July 25, 2019 minutes as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1 – DISSOLUTION OF REVOLVING LOAN FUND BOARD AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Byl to approve the following recommendations by the Oceana County Economic Development Corporation's (EDC) board of directors, to the Oceana County Board of Commissioners that were acted on during the EDC board's regularly scheduled meeting on September 10, 2019. The recommendations are the result of the EDC board's 2018 creation of the Oceana County Economic Alliance, (the "Alliance") a nonprofit organization that has assumed all economic development activity in the county.

The recommendations are:

- To dissolve the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) board. The RLF program and the board of directors overseeing the program has no outstanding loans making the board obsolete,
- To authorize the EDC board to transfer the remaining RLF account balance of, \$24,781.88 as of September 26, 2019, to the Alliance,
- To authorize the EDC board to transfer the remaining EDC account balance of, \$36,207.71 as of September 26, 2019, to the Alliance,
- And, to authorize the County Administrator to take the necessary steps to dissolve the EDC once all remaining assets have been transferred to the Alliance.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2 – APPOINTMENT TO DHHS BOARD**

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to appoint Mr. Alvin B. Docter, 210 Old State Road, Pentwater, Michigan to the Oceana County Department of Health and Human Services Board for a three-year term effective November 1, 2019 with the term expiring October 31, 2022.

**Choose one:**

- Mr. Alvin B. Docter, 210 Old State Road, Pentwater, Michigan

-or-

- Mr. Dale Danes, 1902 W. Grant Road, New Era, Michigan

Voice vote. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3 – REPLACEMENT OF VEHICLES**

Moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the purchase of a new Animal Control truck to replace an existing 2010 ½ ton pickup truck, with a purchase price not to exceed \$31,000. The 2010 ½ ton pickup truck being replaced will be reassigned to Courthouse and Grounds to replace the department’s 2005 ½ ton pickup truck that is currently not running and is fully depreciated. Funding for the new truck will come from the General Fund’s contingency account.

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

Motion carried.

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

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the payment of claims for September 26, 2019 in the tentative amounts as follows:

<b>AMBULANCE FUND</b>	<b>144.20</b>
<b>FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND</b>	<b>3,689.87</b>
<b>GIS FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>BUILDING DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>21,347.57</b>

<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>1,566.74</b>
<b>FORECLOSURE</b>	<b>4,584.25</b>
<b>K-9 UNIT</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>VETERANS AFFAIRS</b>	<b>16,386.22</b>
<b>MEDICAL RESERVE</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>AUTOMATION FUND – R.O.D.</b>	<b>2,271.68</b>
<b>INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND</b>	<b>35,497.46</b>
<b>LOCAL CORR OFFICERS TRNG FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRNG</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>VICTIMS SERVICES</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>CAPITAL PROJ-EQUIP REPLACEMENT</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>554,489.61</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>639,977.60</b>

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

Motion carried.

The Oceana County Chief Deputy Clerk indicated that two terms on the County Canvass Board will expire on October 31, 2019. The two political parties submitted names for consideration by the Board of Commissioners. Only one person is elected from each political party for a four (4) year term effective November 1, 2019.

The nominees were as follows:

<u>Republican Party</u>	<u>Democratic Party</u>
Charles “Chuck” Ritchard, Hart	Jerry Sparbeck, Mears
Kerry Krentz, Rothbury	Janet Schultz, Shelby
Laura Krentz, Rothbury	James Cunningham, Hart

Ms. Coon provided the Oceana County Board of Commissioners with a ballot in which to cast their votes. She then collected the ballots and tallied the votes. Mr. Charles Ritchard was declared the Republican winner and Mr. Gerald Sparbeck was declared the Democratic winner.

**Commissioners Report**

Mr. Walker reported that Barber Steel located in Rothbury, will be closing soon and thanked the County Board members for approving the annexation of property requested by Double JJ Ranch to the Village of Rothbury approximately three years ago. With the closing of Barber Steele, accounting for 43% of the Village of Rothbury’s property tax revenue, the annexation of the property to the Village will help offset the revenue loss.

Ms. Meyette relayed that she attended the funeral for Mr. Bill Hunt. Mr. Hunt was a very well-respected businessman and will be missed. She also mentioned that she spoke with some residents from Greenwood Township that were concerned with the road conditions.

Mr. Gustafson thanked the Sheriff for providing a tour of the jail after the last meeting. He also mentioned that the issue with Longbridge Road is ongoing, however, it seems to be progressing.

Mr. Walker suggested that any of the Commissioners that have not seen the new Indigent Defense Client/Attorney rooms located near District Court should take time to see them as they are very nice.

Sheriff Mast indicated that the jail numbers are down to a manageable number. He also mentioned that an agreement has been in place with the DNR for five years (\$50,000/year) to provide police presence in Golden Township. This agreement has recently been cut beginning in 2020. Sheriff Mast encouraged the Board of Commissioners to contact Senator Bumstead's office to voice their concerns regarding the lack of police presence in this area.

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

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Melanie A. Coon, Chief Deputy County Clerk

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Mr. Powers, Chairperson