

Board Conference Room
October 10, 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, October 10, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.

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

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

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2019 minutes as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – APPOINTMENT TO VETERANS’ AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Brown to accept the recommendation of the Oceana County Veterans’ Affairs Coalition to appoint Mr. Derek Van Baale to fill a vacancy on the Department of Veterans’ Affairs Committee with a term expiring December 31, 2021. Mr. Van Baale replaces Mr. Robert Near who resigned because he is no longer a resident of Oceana County and therefore unable to serve as a committee member.

Voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF USE OF HARD CAP PROVISION

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to approve using the “hard cap” provision of Public Act 152 of 2011 to control the maximum allowable health care costs paid by Oceana County. All eligible employees shall be required to pay healthcare premiums that exceed the legally allowable health care costs paid by Oceana County.

Furthermore, Oceana County’s current insurance plans shall be renewed beginning January 1, 2020 for eligible employees. The plans are:

- Blue Care Network HMO \$1,000 Deductible
- Blue Care Network HSA HMO \$3,000 Deductible
- VSP Direct Vision Plan
- Delta Dental PPO

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 – RECOGNIZATION OF ANDREW CARTER, EAGLE SCOUT CANDIDATE

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

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the Initiative, Volunteerism, and Work Ethic by Eagle Scout Andrew Carter on his Project at Gale’s Pond County Park; and

WHEREAS, the reestablishment of the Gales Pond Nature Trail allows the citizens of Oceana County the experience of a visual and descriptive tour of the environment around them; and

WHEREAS, such display of Civic Pride and Selfless-Service to one’s Community bears bold testament for Andrew Carter to be recognized as among the best of Oceana County’s youth; and

WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout Project Enhances educational and recreational opportunities for future Oceana County Students, Residents, and Visitors; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners to recognize and congratulate Eagle Scout Andrew Carter for a Faithfully Executed Job Well Done.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oceana County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate and extend Deepest Gratitude to Eagle Scout Andrew Carter on a successful project at Gale’s Pond Park. May it stand as an Example for others to Follow.

Voice vote. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT TO MERS

Moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to authorize the County Administrator to submit a supplemental pension payment to MERS for \$250,000 to be applied to the general employee division’s unfunded pension liability.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – INTERFUND TRANSFER FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to authorize the County Administrator to transfer \$250,000 from the General Fund’s fund balance to the Public Improvement Fund (#245) for future facility improvements.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the payment of claims for October 10, 2019 in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE FUND	3,107.04
FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND	2,399.67
GIS FUND	-0-
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT	-0-
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	14,127.96
TECHNOLOGY	8,571.98
FORECLOSURE	3,588.74
K-9 UNIT	51.99
VETERANS AFFAIRS	10,534.75
MEDICAL RESERVE	84.70
AUTOMATION FUND – R.O.D.	2,030.30
INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	23,409.25
LOCAL CORR OFFICERS TRNG FUND	1,473.85
CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRNG	-0-
VICTIMS SERVICES	-0-
CAPITAL PROJ-EQUIP REPLACEMENT	-0-
GENERAL FUND	356,285.50
TOTAL	425,665.73

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

Motion carried.

Bid Proposals were opened and read for snowplowing and/or snow removal services on a “per hour” or “per plowing” basis for the 2019/2020 winter season for any or all of the following locations.

Location/Group #1

- County Building Parking Lot
- Sheriff’s Department Parking Lot
- Driveway Entrance to Sheriff’s Office
- County Services Building, 844 S. Griswold Street, Hart

Location/Group #2

- District Health Department #10, 3986 N. Oceana Drive
- Oceana County Emergency Ambulance Service, 3966 N. Oceana Drive, Hart
- Storage Building (North and West sides), 3970 N. Oceana Drive, Hart

Location/Group #3

- Oceana County Animal Shelter, 2185 W. Baseline Road, Shelby

Location/Group #4

- Oceana County Emergency Ambulance Service, 562 S. State Street, Shelby

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Walker to accept the following bid proposals for snowplowing and snow removal services for the 2019/2020 winter season:

BIDDER NAME	LOCATION / GROUP #	SNOW-PLOWING	SNOW REMOVAL	SALTING
Hallack Contracting	#1	\$144/Plow	\$90/Hour/Trucking \$110/Hour/Loader	\$80/Instance
Hallack Contracting	#2	\$85/Plow	\$90/Hour/Trucking \$110/Hour/Loader	\$50/Instance
Beckman Brothers, Inc.	#3	\$21/Plow		
Beckman Brothers, Inc.	#4	\$39/Plow		

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

Motion carried.

Commissioners Reports

Mr. Sebolt gave a brief overview of the meeting he attended last week with White House officials in Washington D.C. He stated that it was a great experience and encouraged the Board members to attend in the future.

Mr. Gustafson reported that the Pentwater Longbridge Road issue has taken active turn. He gave credit to the Road Commission and Mr. Timmer for their efforts in resolving this issue.

Mr. McKen mentioned that last April the Oceana County Parks and Recreation decided to log volunteer hours and are very close to 1,000 volunteer hours. A volunteer hour is estimated at \$22.00/hour. He indicated that equates to roughly \$22,000.

Mr. Sobie requested that the board member make themselves available for questions, concerns and conversations that may be necessary in the process of adopting a budget.

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Amy L. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk

Date

Mr. Powers, Chairperson