

Board Conference Room  
June 25, 2020  
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 25, 2020, at 11:31 a.m.

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

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

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2020 Board of Commissioners regular minutes as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

No public comment on agenda items.

Public participation was provided via teleconference using Zoom. The online meeting ID was 40 2314 6908.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1 – APPROVAL OF A THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT FOR AUDIT SERVICES**

Moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Byl to authorize the County Administrator to sign a three-year agreement with Gabridge & Company to perform Oceana County's annual financial audits for fiscal years ending December 31, 2020, December 31, 2021, and December 31, 2022 for the following fees:

- Fiscal Year 2020 - \$32,400
- Fiscal Year 2021 - \$33,000
- Fiscal Year 2022 - \$33,600

Furthermore, under this agreement, any fiscal year that requires a federal single audit will incur an additional charge of \$3,000.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO BE USED FOR A COUNTY DESIGNATED ASSESSOR OF RECORD**

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve use of the proposed Interlocal Agreement for County Designated Assessor of Record pursuant to the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967 (Public Act 7 of 1967), as amended, MCL 124.501 and what follows;

and the General Property Tax Act (Public Act 206 of 1893), as amended by Public Act 660 of 2018, MCL 211.10g, for the purpose of designating an individual to serve as the County's Designated Assessor no later than December 31, 2020.

The proposed Interlocal Agreement has been reviewed and approved by the State Tax Commission.

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

Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 3 – APPROVAL OF A LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FOR BOND COUNSEL**

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Brown to authorize the County Administrator to enter into an agreement with Mika Myers, PLC for the purpose of having the firm serve as bond counsel for the possible issuance of taxable bonds in which the proceeds will be invested with Michigan Employees Retirement System for the sole purpose of addressing pension liability for active defined benefits plans.

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

Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 4 – APPROVAL OF A LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FOR A MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to authorize the County Administrator to enter into an agreement with Bendzinski & Company Municipal Finance Advisors for the purpose of having the firm serve as Oceana County's municipal financial advisor for the possible issuance of taxable bonds in which the proceeds will be invested with Michigan Employees Retirement System for the sole purpose of addressing pension liability for active defined benefits plans.

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

Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 5 – MEDC**

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to authorize the County Administrator to notify the Michigan Economic Development Corporation that Oceana County intends to use restricted program income the county received during the time period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, that was derived from the Community Development

Block Grant program, for eligible emergency home repair projects. The current balance of restricted program income is \$89,782.

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

Motion carried.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 6 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Moved by Mr. Byl and seconded by Mr. Brown to approve the payment of claims for June 25, 2020 in the tentative amounts as follows:

<b>AMBULANCE FUND</b>	<b>\$1,701.54</b>
<b>FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND</b>	<b>550.14</b>
<b>GIS FUND</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>BUILDING DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>12,509.67</b>
<b>CDBG</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>7,865.28</b>
<b>FORECLOSURE</b>	<b>420.00</b>
<b>K-9 UNIT</b>	<b>740.53</b>
<b>VETERANS AFFAIRS</b>	<b>2,748.55</b>
<b>MEDICAL RESERVE</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>AUTOMATION FUND – R.O.D.</b>	<b>124.98</b>
<b>INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND</b>	<b>19,520.74</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>CAP PROJ-EQUIP REPLACEMENT</b>	<b>31,750.00</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>465,229.84</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$543,161.27</b>

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

Motion carried.

There was no public comment at this time.

## **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS**

Mr. Sebolt mentioned that Ferry Township never followed the Governor's Executive Order and kept to their meeting schedule, he surmises that the remaining townships will soon follow suit and will resume their regular meetings in the near future. Mr. Sebolt observed that Ferry Township will still be holding their free cleanup day. Mr. Sobie remarked that he had

tried contacting Ferry Township regarding what the county will pay and what the township will pay for the cleanup.

Mr. Gutafson mentioned that Monroe Road will be completed next week.

Mr. Powers acknowledged that it was his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary! He also mentioned that he teleconferenced, along with 123 other people, on June 15<sup>th</sup>, with environmentalists from High Waves High Water (Michigan Tech). The information provided was very informational and worthwhile.

Mr. Powers went on to mention that every Wednesday, there is an online meeting with District Health Department #10, hospital members, etc., which provides up-to-date information about the current pandemic. He urged anyone who was interested in joining to let Mr. Sobie know!

Mr. Powers was happy to announce that he believes Mr. Sobie is doing an exemplary job handling the county during this crisis.

Mr. Gustafson wanted to thank everyone for turning in the evaluations and informed everyone that there will be a review in the next few weeks.

Mr. Walker mentioned that Mr. Sobie has done a wonderful job and handles every issue that arises in an expedient manner.

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

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Amy L. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk

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Mr. Powers, Chairperson