

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AND PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Health & Human Services and Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting was called to order in the Board Conference Room at the Oceana County Courthouse by Chairperson Erickson on Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 9:36 a.m. via Zoom.

Present: Ms. Meyette, Mr. Walker, Mr. Erickson, Mr. Beggs, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Morse, and Mr. Christians.

Also present were: Dr. Sobie, Oceana County Administrator, Ms. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk. Mr. Garry McKeen was also present via zoom.

Public participation was provided via teleconference using Zoom. The online meeting ID was 856 5423 8068.

Mr. Garry McKeen, Chairperson Parks & Recreation Commission mentioned that there are three projects planned for this year. He stated that he will be coming before the Board to discuss them at a later date. He also wanted to welcome the new Board members and stated that he is looking forward to working with them.

Dr. Sobie requested consideration of a resolution to make an appointment to the West Michigan Community Mental Health Board. He recommended the appointment of Ms. Meyette to complete the term of former Commissioner Sebolt.

Dr. Sobie requested consideration of a resolution to make an appointment to the Lakeshore Regional Entity Oversight Policy Board. He recommended the appointment of Mr. Walker to complete the term of former Commissioner Sebolt.

Dr. Sobie requested consideration of a resolution for reappointment to the Oceana County Parks and Recreation Commission. He indicated the Mr. John Wilson, Mr. John Wyns and Mr. Joel Mikkelsen are interested in the reappointment. The term would be for three years expiring 12/31/2023.

Dr. Sobie requested consideration of a resolution appointing a County Commissioner to the Oceana County Parks and Recreation Commission. He recommended that Mr. Erickson be appointed for a two-year term expiring 12/31/2022.

Mr. Walker mentioned that the Michigan Works Board would also need to have a County Commissioner appointed. He asked Dr. Sobie to give a brief overview of this board. Dr. Sobie indicated that he will contact Michigan Works and gather information for the commissioners and suggested that this be addressed at the January 28, 2021 meeting.

Dr. Sobie requested consideration of a resolution supporting Shelby Township's 2021-2025 Recreation Plan and applying for and administering grants to support development of a Shelby Township Sports Park. The previous board adopted a resolution in support of this plan. Regarding the new plan, specific language will need to be included for the new resolution. Dr. Sobie has sent a first request for a very small withdrawal of funds.

Chairman Erickson asked if there were any public comments at this time. Mr. McKeen indicated that there will be 225 parking spaces at the Shelby Township Sports Park. He also mentioned that a park such as this is well needed in this area.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Erickson adjourned the Health and Human Services and Parks and Recreation Committee meeting at 9:57 a.m.

Respectfully,

Amy L. Anderson
Oceana County Clerk