

FINANCE AND EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Finance and Equalization Committee Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Morse on Thursday, March 11, 2021, at 11:51 a.m. via Zoom.

Roll was called. Present: Mr. Christians, Ms. Meyette; Mr. Erickson, Mr. Morse, Mr. Beggs, and Mr. Walker. Mr. Hardy attended via Zoom.

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

Public participation was provided via audio/videoconference using Zoom. The online meeting ID was 858 8521 7220.

Moved by Mr. Christians and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2021 meeting as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

No public comment on agenda items.

Dr. Sobie began discussion regarding a resolution establishing a Special Election budget for Fiscal Year 2021. A budget was not previously set, however three entities put proposals on the ballot for May 2021.

Dr. Sobie, did not read the claims for payment, however the following was available for review:

Oceana County Administrator

REVIEW OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT (\geq \$1,000 and Other Noteworthy Expenditures)

Fund #	Dept. #	Dept. Name	Amount	Purpose
Special Revenue Funds				
249 - Building Department Fund			\$ 1,359.05	to Randy Miller for permits, residential plan reviews, and commercial plan reviews.
			\$ 1,483.35	to Richard Story for permits, residential plan reviews, and commercial plan reviews.
			\$ 1,368.95	to Randy Neuman for permits, residential plan reviews, and commercial plan reviews.
254 - Foreclosure Fund			\$ 2,548.56	to Title Check LLC for parcel administration.

260 - Indigent Defense Fund			\$ 4,583.33	to Indigent Defense Consultants for managed assigned counsel services.
405 - Capital Projects			\$ 2,028.00	to Haworth, Inc. for office furniture.
101 - General Fund				
	141	Friend of the Court	\$ 1,080.00	to John Bulger for referee services.
	228	Data Processing	\$ 5,184.00	to City of Hart for contracted internet services.
	248	General Services	\$ 10,000.00	to Reserve Account for postage.
	257	Equalization	\$ 16,500.00	to V&V Assessing for equalization services.
	262	Elections	\$ 6,635.00	to Election Source for supplies and services.
	265	Courthouse and Grounds	\$ 1,775.20	to DTE Energy for utilities.
			\$ 1,956.95	to City of Hart Utilities.
	301	Sheriff	\$ 5,320.00	to Axon for taser supplies.
			\$ 4,380.00	to Tele-Rad for radio service contract.
	332	Snowmobile Enforcement	\$ 1,768.81	to David Allen Racing for snowmobile maintenance.
	351	Jail	\$ 6,202.92	to City of Hart for utilities.
			\$ 1,202.42	to Gordon Food Service.
			\$ 1,885.64	to DTE Energy for utilities.
	528	Transfer Station	\$ 5,893.12	to American Classic Dumpster for removal of trash and recycling material.

	602	Health Department	\$ 1,035.69	to Consumers Energy.
			\$ 5,300.00	to DHD#10 for monthly lease payment.
	971	Community Mental Health	\$ 10,833.33	to West Michigan Community Mental Health for monthly appropriation.
	~	Total	\$ 100,324.32	

Administrator's Report

Administration

On February 26 we received a quarterly revenue sharing payment from the state for the 2020/2021 state fiscal year in the amount of \$85,779.

As building access restrictions are loosened and the courts continue moving towards being more available to citizens, we need to decide if we are returning to the normal work schedule for security personnel. Pre-COVID, there were two guards on Monday and Tuesday, and one guard Wednesday through Friday. Further discussion will need to take place in the future to decide what action needs to be taken.

I'm continuing to research an improved audio system for the board room.

Economic Development

I signed the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development grant agreement that provides some financial support for the Village of Shelby water main extension project to Peterson Farms' housing development.

Ms. Jodi Nichols, Business Development Coordinator for the Oceana County Economic Alliance will present a 2020 report to the Board of Commissioners on March 25.

Road Commission

The process for filling a vacancy on the County Board of Road Commissioners is to advertise the vacancy, accept statements of interest, have individual invited to address the County Board of Commissioners; eventually leading to an appointment to fill the vacancy.

Information Technology

Following receipt of three proposals to redesign the county web site, each vendor conducted an online demonstration. The next question is whether or not the project should be funded. Dr. Sobie says that he is comfortable with the lower-cost proposal for the website.

Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

There being no further business to discuss, Vice-Chairperson Morse adjourned the Finance and Equalization Committee meeting at 12:23 a.m.

Respectfully,

Amy L. Anderson
Oceana County Clerk