

The regular meeting of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Walker via Zoom on Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 12:37 p.m.

Roll was called by the Clerk. Present: Mr. Morse, Mr. Erickson, Ms. Meyette, Mr. Christians, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Beggs, and Mr. Walker.

Also present: Mr. Sobie, Oceana County Administrator, and Ms. Amy L. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk.

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

No public comment at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – APPOINTMENT TO WEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

Moved by Mr. Christians and seconded by Mr. Erickson to appoint Commissioner Meyette to the West Michigan Community Mental Health board to complete the three year term of former Commissioner Andy Sebolt. The remaining term shall be January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2023.

Roll call vote: Mr. Christians – yes; Mr. Erickson – yes; Mr. Morse– yes; Mr. Beggs – yes; Mr. Hardy – yes; Ms. Meyette – yes; and Mr. Walker – yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – APPOINTMENT TO LAKESHORE REGIONAL ENTITY OVERSIGHT POLICY BOARD

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Hardy to appoint Commissioner Walker to the Lakeshore Regional Entity Oversight Policy Board to complete the three-year term of former Commissioner Andy Sebolt. The remaining term shall be January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Roll call vote: Ms. Meyette– yes; Mr. Hardy – yes; Mr. Beggs – yes; Mr. Morse – yes; Mr. Erickson – yes; Mr. Christians – yes; and Mr. Walker – yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 – REAPPOINTMENT TO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Moved by Mr. Erickson and seconded by Mr. Beggs to accept the recommendation of the Oceana County Parks and Recreation Commission to reappoint the following individuals

to the commission for three-year terms beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.

- Mr. John Wilson
- Mr. John Wynn
- Mr. Joel Mikkelsen

Roll call vote: Mr. Erickson – yes; Mr. Beggs – yes; Ms. Meyette – yes; Mr. Hardy – yes; Mr. Morse – yes; Mr. Christians – yes; and Mr. Walker – yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER TO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Moved by Mr. Morse and seconded by Ms. Meyette to appoint Commissioner Erickson to the Oceana County Parks and Recreation Commission for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Roll call vote: Mr. Morse - yes; Ms. Meyette - yes; Mr. Hardy - yes; Mr. Beggs – yes; Mr. Erickson - yes; Mr. Christians - yes; and Mr. Walker - yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SHELBY TOWNSHIP’S 2021-2025 RECREATION PLAN AND APPLYING FOR AND ADMINISTERING GRANTS TO SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF SHELBY TOWNSHIP SPORTS PARK

Moved by Mr. Erickson and seconded by Mr. Christians to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Oceana County supports Shelby Township’s creation of its first 5-Year Recreation Master Plan 2021-2025 and grant application in 2021 to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and;

WHEREAS, the location of the township is within the jurisdiction of Oceana County; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Recreation Master Plan 2021-2025, when completed, will be a benefit to the community; and,

WHEREAS, the township anticipates applying for grant funding from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources; and,

WHEREAS, with this resolution of support it is acknowledged that Oceana County is not committing or obligating financial support for this endeavor; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oceana County Board of Commissioners hereby supports Shelby Township’s submission of a 5-Year Recreation Master Plan 2021-2025, and Grant Application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Roll call vote: Mr. Erickson - yes; Mr. Christians - yes; Mr. Hardy - yes; Mr. Beggs - yes; Ms. Meyette - yes; Mr. Morse - yes; and Mr. Walker - yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – APPOINTMENT TO LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)

Moved by Mr. Beggs and seconded by Mr. Hardy to recommend appointment of Commissioner Walker to the Oceana County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) as the Oceana County Board of Commissioners representative, upon the approval of the State Emergency Response Commission. If approved by the State Emergency Response Commission, the term will become effective immediately and shall continue until such time that the Oceana County Board of Commissioners recommends changing the appointment.

Roll call vote: Mr. Beggs - yes; Mr. Hardy - yes; Mr. Morse - yes; Mr. Christians - yes; Ms. Meyette - yes; Mr. Erickson - yes; and Mr. Walker - yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 – APPOINTMENT OF PRIMARY AND ALTERNATE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO MASON-OCEANA 911 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Moved by Mr. Beggs and seconded by Ms. Meyette to appoint Commissioner Craig Hardy, as the primary member, and Commissioner Ron Christians, as the alternate member, to the Mason-Oceana 911 Board of Directors to serve as the representatives of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners. The appointments take effect immediately.

Roll call vote: Mr. Beggs - yes; Ms. Meyette - yes; Mr. Christians - yes; Mr. Morse - yes; Mr. Erickson - yes; Mr. Hardy - yes; and Mr. Walker - yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 – APPROVAL OF AMENDED PER DIEM FEE SCHEDULE

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Hardy to accept the recommendation of the County Administrator to approve a schedule of allowable per diem meeting fees for members of the Board of Commissioners as presented. The schedule shall take effect January 1, 2021 and remain in effect unless otherwise changed by the Board of Commissioners.

Roll call vote: Mr. Walker - yes; Mr. Hardy - yes; Mr. Beggs - yes; Ms. Meyette - yes; Mr. Erickson - yes; Mr. Christians - yes; and Mr. Morse - yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 9 – APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER TO OCEANA COUNTY LAND BANK

Moved by Mr. Hardy and seconded by Mr. Erickson to appoint Commissioner Walker to the Oceana County Land Bank as the Board of Commissioners representative. The term is effective immediately and shall continue for as long as Commissioner Walker is an elected county commissioner or is replaced by the Board of Commissioners.

Roll call vote: Mr. Hardy - yes; Mr. Erickson - yes; Mr. Morse - yes; Mr. Beggs - yes; Mr. Christians - yes; Ms. Meyette - yes; and Mr. Walker - yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 10 – APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Hardy to accept the recommendation of the Oceana County Planning Commission to reappoint the following individuals to the commission with terms effective January 1, 2021 and expiring December 31, 2023:

- Mr. Paul Cutter
- Mr. Vince Greiner
- Mr. Garry McKeen

Furthermore, to appoint Mr. John Foss to the Oceana County Planning Commission with a term effective immediately and expiring December 31, 2022. Mr. Foss replace Ms. Catherine Ohrling who resigned from the commission.

And, to appoint Mr. Allen Blohm to the Oceana County Planning Commission as the Oceana County Road Commission representative with a term effective January 1, 2021 and expiring December 31, 2023.

Finally, to appoint Commissioner Phil Morse to the Oceana County Planning Commission to complete the term of former Commission Andy Sebolt. The remaining term shall be January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

Roll call vote: Ms. Meyette - yes; Mr. Hardy - yes; Mr. Morse - yes; Mr. Erickson - yes; Mr. Beggs - yes; Mr. Christians - yes; and Mr. Walker - yes.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 11 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Hardy and seconded by Mr. Christians to approve the payment of claims for December 30, 2020 and January 14, 2021 in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE FUND	\$3,473.35
FRIEND OF THE COURT FUND	3,715.87
GIS FUND	-0-
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT	-0-
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	21,950.54
CDBG	-0-
TECHNOLOGY	2,708.78
FORECLOSURE	2,968.56
K-9 UNIT	1,135.44
VETERANS AFFAIRS	8,313.08
MEDICAL RESERVE	-0-
AUTOMATION FUND – R.O.D.	2,976.88
INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	22,557.47
LOCAL CORR OFFICERS TRNG FUND	-0-
CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRNG	578.92
VICTIMS SERVICES	-0-
CAP PROJ-EQUIP REPLACEMENT	390.53
GENERAL FUND	697,925.27
TOTAL	\$768,694.69

Roll call vote: Mr. Hardy – yes; Mr. Christians – yes; Mr. Erickson – yes; Mr. Morse – yes; Ms. Meyette – yes; Mr. Beggs – yes; and Mr. Walker – yes.

Motion carried.

Sheriff Mast stated that the department has been very busy. There were some cases of Covid-19 going through the department. He reported that he had tested positive and was quarantined for a time, but the symptoms were not too severe. There were two hospital runs recently. One inmate suffered a heart attack and Deputy Jesse Bowman, a previous Life EMS employee, was on duty and mostly likely saved this man’s life. Sheriff Mast extended an invitation to all of the Commissioners to tour the jail at any time.

Mr. Beggs inquired how the department is impacted when there are circumstances where a medical issue occurs. Sheriff Mast explained the protocol that is followed.

Chairperson mentioned that earlier this week was law enforcement appreciation day and noted that Sheriff Mast’s leadership is greatly appreciated.

Chairperson Walker asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 12:59 a.m.


 Amy L. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk

02/09/2021
 Date


 Mr. Walker, Chairperson