

Board Conference Room
January 13, 2022
Board of Commissioners Minutes

The regular meeting of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Walker at 11:30 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Chairperson Walker.

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

Also present: Dr. Sobie, Oceana County Administrator; Ms. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk; Mr. John Cavanagh, Oceana's Herald-Journal correspondent; Mr. Jon Bumstead, 34th District State Senator.

Moved by Mr. Morse and seconded by Mr. Christians to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2021 meeting as corrected.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Chairperson Walker asked if any commissioners wished to declare a conflict of interest on the agenda items. No conflicts were declared.

Mr. Erickson requested the addition of discussion regarding the Parks & Recreation Committee.

Moved by Mr. Beggs and seconded by Mr. Erickson to approve the agenda as amended.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Ms. Amy Trudell, City of Hart resident. Ms. Trudell indicated that she is interested in working with Mr. Hardy and Mr. Erickson. She also requested that the Board members introduce themselves and indicate the district that they represent. Mr. Walker indicated that could be during the Commissioners' Reports at the end of the meeting today.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – REAPPOINTMENT TO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Moved by Mr. Erickson and supported by Mr. Morse to reappoint Mr. Peter LundBorg to the Oceana County Parks and Recreation Commission for a three-year term effective January 1, 2022 and expiring December 31, 2024.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – REAPPOINTMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Moved by Mr. Erickson and supported by Mr. Hardy to reappoint Dr. Derik VanBaale to the Oceana County Department of Veterans' Affairs Committee, as recommended by the Oceana County Veterans' Coalition; and in accordance with Public Act 192 of 1953 (as amended), to a four-year term beginning January 1, 2022 and expiring December 31, 2025.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 – APPOINTMENT TO MASON-OCEANA 911 BOARD

Moved by Mr. Christians and supported by Mr. Beggs to appoint Mr. Troy Maloney, Oceana County Emergency Management Coordinator, to the Mason-Oceana 911 Board of Directors to serve as Oceana County's Emergency Medical Service (EMS) appointee. The appointment takes effect immediately and shall continue until such time that the Oceana County Board of Commissioners may deem otherwise.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – AUTHORIZATION OF MEDICAL FIRST RESPONDER PAYMENTS TO SHELBY-BENONA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Moved by Mr. Beggs and supported by Mr. Hardy to approve a request by Mr. Jack White, Fire Chief for Shelby-Benona Fire Department, to provide funding for a medical first responder unit to be operational in the spring of 2022. Said funding will follow the currently established fee schedule of \$110 per call for each call type that the agency responds to in Oceana County. Payments shall be made quarterly upon receipt of an invoice detailing each run number assigned by Mason-Oceana 911 and the address (or approximation) of the incident.

Upon approval of this resolution, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners clearly articulates that no funding shall be provided to Shelby-Benona Fire Department for any responses by the medical first responder unit that involves an incident outside of Oceana County.

Furthermore, the Oceana County Administrator is authorized to amend the Fiscal Year 2022 budget for the Ambulance Fund (#210) to cover the additional costs.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR FEMA REIMBURSEMENT FOR ELIGIBLE SUPPLY COSTS

Moved by Mr. Beggs and supported by Mr. Christians to authorize the Sheriff's Department to apply for reimbursement from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, acting as a fiduciary agent for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, for eligible expenditures the department incurs to continue its COVID-19 mitigation efforts in the jail.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – AMENDMENTS TO FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET FOR YEAR END PROCESSING

Moved by Mr. Morse and supported by Mr. Christians to post-approve the following expenditure budget amendments to the Fiscal Year 2021 budgets as described; to cover costs that exceed the original or previously amended budget appropriation for each of the following funds and accounts:

General Fund (#101)

Friend of the Court

- Increase Postage (101-289-729.000) by \$1,600 from \$4,030 to \$5,630

Sheriff Department

- Increase Salaries & Wages – Supervisory (101-301-703.000) by \$1,004 from \$226,280 to \$227,284
- Increase Salaries & Wages – Permanent (101-301-705.000) by \$38,800 from \$925,286 to \$964,086
- Increase Salaries & Wages – Overtime (101-301-707.000) by \$3,800 from \$45,600 to \$49,400
- Increase Clothing Allowance (101-301-721.000) by \$1,200 from \$21,965 to \$23,165

Sheriff's Department - Jail

- Increase Salaries & Wages – Supervisory (101-351-703.000) by \$2,300 from \$64,793 to \$67,093
- Increase Salaries & Wages – Overtime (101-351-707.000) by \$2,600 from \$48,720 to \$51,320
- Increase Retirement – DC (101-351-721.000) by \$1,053 from \$20,340 to \$21,393
- Increase Prisoners' Board (101-351-818.000) by \$1,540 from \$67,300 to \$68,840
- Increase Outpatient Care (101-351-843.000) by \$3,000 from \$64,900 to \$67,900

Transfer Station

- Increase Equipment Rental (101-528-941.000) by \$6,942 from \$201,600 to \$208,542

The net impact of the General Fund amendments is an increase in expenditures of \$63,839.

Indigent Defense Fund (#260)

- Increase Salaries & Wages – Permanent (260-000-705.000) by \$2,950 from \$45,915 to \$48,865
- Increase Other Contractual Services (260-000-821.000) by \$4,792 from \$52,500 to \$57,292

The net impact of the Indigent Defense Fund amendment is an increase in expenditures of \$7,742.

Building Department Fund (#549)

- Increase Other Contractual Services – Inspections (549-371-821.100) by \$16,645 from \$256,451 to \$273,096

The net impact of the Building Department Fund amendment is an increase in expenditures of \$16,645.

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

Motion carried.

Mr. Erickson began a discussion regarding the Parks & Recreation Commission. He would like the board to consider an additional appropriation to the Parks & Recreation Commission and would also like the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Committee to consider providing additional funds.

Discussion ensued and it was the consensus of the board that the Parks & Recreation Commission should present their request to the ARPA Committee for consideration.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Hardy and **seconded by** Mr. Beggs to approve the accounts payable and release of funds for January 13, 2022 in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE	\$ 3,061.23
GIS	7,000.00
FOC	6,730.73
PENTWATER-HART TRAIL	32,061.11
SHELBY TWP COMMUNITY PARK	-0-
AUTOMATION R.O.D.	2,717.90
INDIGENT DEFENSE	32,534.49
LCOT	-0-
K9	1,060.15
CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING	561.64
CDBG	-0-
ARPA	-0-
VETERAN AFFAIRS	18,314.49
TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION	10,212.57
CAPITAL PROJECTS	13,509.64
FORECLOSURE	2,442.54
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	20,255.56
GENERAL FUND	870,307.92
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,020,769.97

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

Motion carried.

Commissioner's Reports

Mr. Beggs stated that he represents District #5 which consists of Claybanks, Benona, and Golden Townships. He reported that there may be some coordination between the Oceana County Road Commission and the Oceana County Parks and Recreation for possibly sharing a part-time summer employee of the Road Commission to provide some maintenance at the parks.

Mr. Hardy stated that he represents District #3 which consists of Hart Township and the City of Hart. He noted that he serves as Chairperson of ARPA Committee, he is a representative on the Mason/Oceana 911 and is on the Airport Committee. He mentioned that Mason/Oceana 911 has replaced the UPS (uninterrupted power supply) recently which went well and is up and running as expected.

Mr. Morse stated that he represents District #6 which consists of Shelby Township and reported that he has been traveling to many township meetings as he is running for State Representative. He also mentioned that Hart Township is interested in entering into a cooperative with City of Hart for recreation program. Mr. Morse has encouraged them to reach out to Shelby and Pentwater to develop a regional recreation program.

Mr. Christians stated that he represents District #1 which consists of Pentwater, Weare, and Crystal Townships. He serves as an alternate member of Mason/Oceana 911 Board, and on the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC).

Mr. Erickson stated that he represents District #4 which consists of Colfax, Elbridge, Ferry, & Leavitt Townships. He has a very strong interest in the Parks and Recreation Commission. He serves on the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Committee and District Health Department #10 Committee.

Mr. Walker stated that he represents Grant, and Otto Townships as well as small area in the Village of New Era (Shelby Township).

Senator Jon Bumstead 34th District, provided a brief report of various Senate Bills and their progress.

Mr. Beggs mentioned that the new snowmobile for the Sheriff Department is parked on the front lawn if anyone is interested in seeing it on their way out today.

Dr. Sobie announced that he will be retiring this spring. His last day will be May 20.

Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

Chairperson Walker asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Amy L. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk

Date

Mr. Walker, Chairperson