

Board Conference Room
February 10, 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: Ms. Meyette, Mr. Erickson, Mr. Morse, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Christians, Mr. Beggs, and Mr. Walker. Absent: None.

Dr. Sobie, Oceana County Administrator; Ms. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk; Mr. Lee Hyslop, Crystal Township resident; Mr. Gary McKeen, Oceana County Parks & Recreation Commission; Ms. Mary Piper, Crystal Township property owner; Ms. Peggy Wittman, City of Hart resident; and Mr. John Cavanagh, Oceana's Herald-Journal correspondent, were also present.

Moved by Mr. Christians and seconded by Mr. Beggs to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2022 meeting as presented.

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.

Chairman Walker asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Mr. Walker requested to add discussion and action regarding Crystal Pond. This will be addressed after the designation of depositories.

Moved by Mr. Walker and supported by Mr. Erickson to amend the agenda.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Morse to approve the agenda as amended.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Public Comment

There were no public comments at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO WEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

Moved by Mr. Erickson and supported by Mr. Morse to accept the recommendation of the West Michigan Community Mental Health System (CMH) Board to reappoint the following individuals to the CMH Board:

- Mr. Larry VanSickle

- Ms. Lucinda Shafer

The terms of each appointment shall be for three years beginning April 1, 2022 and expiring March 31, 2025.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – AMENDMENT TO FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Morse and supported by Mr. Hardy 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)

Courthouse and Grounds

- Increase Utilities (101-265-920.000) by \$1,191 from \$41,000 to \$42,191

Sheriff Department

- Increase Other Supplies (101-301-744.000) by \$4,644 from \$14,767 to \$19,411
- Increase Uniforms (101-301-746.000) by \$1,851 from \$17,850 to 19,701

Sheriff's Department - Jail

- Increase Outpatient Care (101-351-843.000) by \$8,177 from \$68,940 to \$77,117
- Increase Utilities (101-351-920.000) by \$1,810 from \$53,749 to \$55,559

The net impact of the General Fund amendments is an increase in expenditures of \$17,673.

Technology and Innovation Fund (#298)

- Increase Machinery & Equipment (298-000-977.000) by \$6,832 from \$35,736 to \$42,568

The net impact of the Technology and Innovations Fund amendment is an increase in expenditures of \$6,832.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 – AMENDMENT TO FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Morse and supported by Mr. Beggs to authorize the Oceana County Administrator to amend the Fiscal Year 2022 Technology and Innovations Fund (#298) budget in the amount of \$32,250 for the purpose of purchasing technology support services to further strengthen the county’s current security measures to protect the county computer network. The source of funds will be the General Fund’s (#101) fund balance.

The Oceana County Administrator is authorized to sign all necessary agreements to implement the services from I.T. Right in the amount of \$11,250 for online data backup services and with Kroll in the amount of \$21,000 for network monitoring services.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO PRODUCE COUNTY FLAG

Moved by Ms. Meyette and supported by Mr. Morse to authorize the Oceana County Administrator to order the production of fifty (50) county flags from Pixel Graphics Studio, a local county business located in the City of Hart, at a cost of \$4,860. Because the county flags can serve as a marketing tool for Oceana County in the broad area of economic development, the source of funding shall be the American Rescue Plan Act Fund (#286).

Once received, the general public may purchase a flag from the Oceana County Clerk’s Office at a subsidized cost of \$42.40 per flag, which includes the required state sales tax of six percent (6%). After sales tax, the net proceeds from each sale shall be receipted into the American Rescue Plan Act Fund (#286).

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – DESIGNATION OF FINANCIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

Moved by Mr. Hardy and supported by Mr. Christians to designate the following financial institutions for the deposit and investment of Oceana County funds to be utilized at the discretion of the Oceana County Treasurer during fiscal year 2022.

- Shelby State Bank
- Fifth Third Bank
- West Shore Bank
- Huntington Bank
- Flagstar Bank
- Lake Osceola Bank
- Multibank Securities

Michigan CLASS Investments
CDARS – Government Authorized Investment Group
CIBC formerly known as Private Bank

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

Motion carried.

Chairman Walker initiated conversation suggesting that an Ad Hoc committee be formed regarding Crystal Pond. This committee would include Mr. Christians and Mr. Erickson, Board of Commissioners representatives; Crystal Township Supervisor; Mr. McKeen, Parks & Recreation Commission; Mr. Warner, Drain Commission; and a few Crystal Township residents/property owners. Chairman Walker suggested that there be approximately six members.

Chairman Walker asked Mr. Lee Hyslop if he agreed that this was an acceptable first step. Mr. Hyslop agreed to this first step.

Mr. McKeen stated that a letter had been written to the State Dam Unit regarding the Crystal Dam repairs and an extension has been granted.

Mr. Hyslop inquired if he could be included in the communication and correspondence regarding the issue.

Ms. Mary Piper, Crystal Township property owner, expressed her displeasure upon receiving the notification that was sent to the property owners surrounding the Crystal Dam.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Hardy and **seconded by** Ms. Meyette to approve the accounts payable and release of funds for February 10, 2022 in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE	\$241,665.63
GIS	-0-
FOC	2,539.91
PENTWATER-HART TRAIL	4,651.63
SHELBY TWP COMMUNITY PARK	-0-
AUTOMATION R.O.D.	-0-
INDIGENT DEFENSE	13,628.64
LCOT	62.50
K9	129.96
CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING	100.00
CDBG	-0-
ARPA	-0-
VETERAN AFFAIRS	12,698.97
TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION	16,255.25
CAPITAL PROJECTS	4,269.00
FORECLOSURE	2,292.54
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	13,248.66
GENERAL FUND	409,453.08

GRAND TOTAL

\$ 720,995.77

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

Motion carried.

Commissioner's Reports

Mr. Beggs reported that he and Mr. Erickson met with Dan Yost, lead instructor/director of the EMS program at West Shore Community College (WSCC), to discuss the partnership between Life EMS and WSCC to provide EMT and Paramedic education courses locally. He stated that he is very excited for the opportunities that may be forthcoming.

Mr. Erickson agreed that the meeting with WSCC was very beneficial. He also reported that Parks and Recreation Commission met last week where there was discussion on various projects. Mr. Erickson also mentioned that this coming Saturday there will be an "Owl Prowl" at Doolittle Park and Gales Pond. They are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at both locations.

Mr. Christians reported that he attended the Mason-Oceana 911 meeting last week.

Mr. Morse acknowledge that there were children in the audience today. He also noted that a conservation assessment was sent out and encouraged it to be completed and returned. Mr. Morse expressed his deepest condolences to the Durga family, from New Era, for the recent loss of their 5-year old daughter.

Mr. Walker thanked the Crystal Township property owners that were in attendance.

Public Comment

Ms. Peggy Wittman, City of Hart resident, provided an update on the outcome of litigation brought against the Board of Commissioners by a local individual.

Chairperson Walker asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Amy L. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk

Date

Mr. Walker, Chairperson