

Oceana County Board of Commissioners

June 9, 2022

Today's meetings
begin at **10:00 a.m.**

Committees and Board Meeting Packet



Board of Commissioners

Robert Walker, Chairperson

Paul Erickson, Vice-Chairperson

Ron Christians

Martha Meyette

Craig Hardy

Phil Morse

Tim Beggs

Prepared by:

Tracy Byard

Oceana County Administrator



Oceana County, Michigan



PUBLIC NOTICE

OCEANA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

100 State Street, Hart, MI 49420 – (231) 873-4835

The Oceana County Board of Commissioners **will hold** the following committee meetings and its regular board meeting on **Thursday, June 9, 2022** beginning at 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. respectively. The meetings will be held in the Oceana County Board of Commissioners Room located at 100 State Street, Hart, MI 49420.

- Health and Human Services & Parks and Recreation Committee
- Law and Safety Committee
- Finance and Equalization Committee
- Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting

Detailed meeting agendas are available online at:

<https://oceana.mi.us/government/board-of-commissioners/schedule-of-meetings/>

or, by contacting the County Administrator's Office at the address shown above, by

telephone (231) 873-4835, or by email countyadmin@oceana.mi.us

The Oceana County Board of Commissioners has **cancelled** the following meetings by order of the committee/board chairperson due to a lack of business:

- Buildings, Grounds and Insurance Committee

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Oceana County Board of Commissioners

County Building
100 State Street, Suite M-4, Hart, MI 49420

AGENDA

Health and Human Services & Parks and Recreation Committee

There will be a committee meeting on **Thursday, June 9, 2022 beginning at 10:00 a.m.**, or immediately following any preceding committee meetings, in the Oceana County Board of Commissioners Room, 100 State Street, Hart, MI 49420.

Committee Chair: Paul Erickson

Committee Vice-Chair: Tim Beggs

Presenter	Description	Item #
Mr. Erickson	Call to Order Roll Call Approval of Minutes from May 12 Changes to the Agenda Approval of the Agenda Public Comment (<i>state your name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
Advisacare	Presentation by Advisacare Regarding Auto Insurance Reform	
Ms. Jill Sutton	Presentation by Mid-Michigan Community Action Agency Regarding Services Provided and a Request to Appoint a Commissioner to the Agency's Board	
	Public Comment (<i>state your name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
	Adjournment	

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 Building by Chairperson Erickson on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

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

Also present were: Dr. Sobie, Oceana County Administrator; Ms. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk; Ms. Jodi Slinkard, Oceana County Department of Veterans' Affairs Veterans Service Officer; Ms. Tracy Blamer, Oceana County Department of Veterans' Affairs Treasurer; Mr. Garry McKeen, Oceana County Parks & Recreation Commission; and Mr. John Cavanagh, Oceana's Herald - Journal correspondent.

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Christians to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2022 meeting as presented.

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Erickson asked if there were any changes to be made to the agenda.

Moved by Mr. Beggs and seconded by Mr. Hardy to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Public comment

There were no public comments at this time.

Ms. Tracy Blamer, Oceana County Department of Veterans' Affairs Treasurer, facilitated discussion and consideration of a proposed resolution to approve updated Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and Bylaws for the Department of Veterans' Affairs. Ms. Blamer provided a brief review of the revisions that were made to these documents. She also introduced the new Veteran's Service Officer, Ms. Jodi Slinkard.

Dr. Sobie requested consideration of a resolution to recognize May as Mental Health Awareness Month.

Mr. Garry McKeen, Oceana County Parks & Recreation Commission Chairperson, provided a brief update regarding the Parks & Recreation Commission. He spoke briefly on the progress of the Stony Creek project.

Public comment

Ms. Jodi Slinkard, Oceana Veterans Service Officer, provided an outline of her background as well as her future goals. She also provided a quarterly activity report.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Erickson adjourned the Health & Human Services and Parks & Recreation Committee meeting at 10:31 a.m.

UNOFFICIAL

Respectfully submitted,

Amy L. Anderson
Oceana County Clerk



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AGENDA

Law and Safety Committee

There will be a committee meeting on **Thursday, June 9, 2022 beginning at 10:00 a.m.**, or immediately following any preceding committee meetings, in the Oceana County Board of Commissioners Room, 100 State Street, Hart, MI 49420.

Committee Chair: Tim Beggs

Committee Vice-Chair: Ron Christians

Presenter	Description	Item #
Mr. Beggs	Call to Order Roll Call Approval of Minutes from April 12 Changes to the Agenda Approval of the Agenda Public Comment (<i>state your name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
Sheriff Mast / Undersheriff Schiller	Update on Activities Related to a Potential Project to Construct and Operate a New Jail and Sheriff's Offices Facility	
	Public Comment (<i>state your name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
	Adjournment	

LAW AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Law and Safety Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Beggs, in the Board Conference Room of the Oceana County Courthouse on Tuesday April 12, 2022, at 10:11 a.m.

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

Also present: Dr. Sobie, Oceana County Administrator; Ms. Anderson, Oceana County Clerk; Craig Mast, Oceana County Sheriff; Ms. Amy Trudell, City of Hart resident; Ms. Peggy Wittman, City of Hart resident; and Mr. John Cavanagh, Oceana's Herald-Journal correspondent.

Moved by Mr. Hardy and seconded by Mr. Christians to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2022 Law and Safety Committee minutes as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Christians and seconded by Mr. Hardy to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Ms. Amy Trudell, City of Hart resident, stated that she would like to see the language for the resolutions to be considered today.

Dr. Sobie sought consideration of a proposed resolution authorizing the Sheriff to enter into a Police Services Agreement with the Village of Hesperia.

Discussion ensued and Sheriff Mast answered questions regarding the potential Police Services Agreement between the Oceana County Sheriff's Department and the Village of Hesperia. The agreement is initially for a three-month trial period.

Public Comment

Ms. Peggy Wittman, City of Hart resident, questioned why the board no longer reads the resolutions out loud at meetings.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Beggs adjourned the Law and Safety Committee meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully,

Amy L. Anderson
Oceana County Clerk



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AGENDA

Finance and Equalization Committee

There will be a committee meeting on **Thursday, June 9, 2022 beginning at 10:00 a.m.**, or immediately following any preceding committee meetings, in the Oceana County Board of Commissioners Room, 100 State Street, Hart, MI 49420.

Committee Chair: Craig Hardy

Committee Vice-Chair: Phil Morse

Presenter	Description	Item #
Mr. Hardy	Call to Order Roll Call Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 26 Changes to the Agenda Approval of the Agenda Public Comment (<i>state your name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
Ms. Byard	Consideration of a Proposed Resolution Amending the FY 2022 County Airport Budget	#22-59
Ms. Byard	Consideration of a Proposed Resolution Amending the County's Observed Holiday Schedule	#22-60
Ms. Meyette / Ms. Byard	Discussion and Consideration of a Proposed Resolution Urging the U.S. Department of Labor to Abandon Proposed Wagner-Peyser Rule Changes	#22-61
Ms. Byard	Administrator's Review of Selected Claims for Payment Administrator's Report	
	Public Comment (<i>state name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
	Adjournment	

FINANCE AND EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Finance and Equalization Committee Meeting was called to order, in the Board Conference Room of the Oceana County Courthouse, by Chairperson Hardy on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 10:20 a.m.

Roll was called. Present: Mr. Erickson, Ms. Meyeette, Mr. Walker Mr. Beggs, Mr. Morse, Mr. Christians, and Mr. Hardy.

Also present: Ms. Becker, Oceana County Financial & Human Resources Coordinator; Ms. Coon, Oceana County Chief Deputy Clerk; Mr. Garry McKeen, Golden Township resident; and Mr. John Cavanagh, Oceana’s Herald-Journal correspondent.

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Christians to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2022 meeting as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Chairman Hardy asked if there were any additions to the agenda at this time.

Moved by Mr. Morse and seconded by Mr. Christians to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mr. McKeen reported that the Parks and Recreation Committee received some lawn mowers from the Kent County Sheriff’s Office. He offered thanks to Ms. Emily Merten who has used that mower to clear areas in local parks that required some work by the Oceana County Road Commission.

Ms. Becker requested consideration of a resolution to authorize submission of a 2022 Election Security Grant.

Ms. Becker sought consideration of a resolution regarding a municipal financial advisor, bond counsel, engineering and architectural services, and a funding application to the USDA.

Ms. Becker requested consideration of a resolution to declare intent to reimburse expenditures with bond proceeds and matters related thereto.

Ms. Becker did not read the payment of claims, but the following was provided:

Oceana County Administrator				
REVIEW OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT (>= \$1,000 and Other Noteworthy Expenditures)				
Fund #	Dept. #	Dept. Name	Amount	Purpose
Special Revenue Funds				
215 - Friend of the Court Fund			\$ 2,194.08	to Image Soft for professional services.
256 - Automation Fund			\$ 2,804.10	to GovOS for software fees.

260 - Indigent Defense Fund	\$ 1,039.50	to Dianne M. Longoria for court appointed attorney fees.
	\$ 6,238.00	to Good Law for court appointed attorney fees.
	\$ 11,401.00	to Springstead Law Offices for court appointed attorney fees.
277 - CDBG Fund	\$ 5,990.00	to Sam Near Roofing LLC for new metal roof.
286 - American Rescue Plan Fund	\$ 20,000.00	to Pentwater Village Treasurer for channel dredging.
298 - Technology and Innovation Fund	\$ 1,576.91	to Huntington National Bank for equipment
	\$ 2,717.91	to SHI International for computer equipment.
292 - Child Care Fund	\$ 1,924.22	to Fountain Hill Center for out-of-home placement.
405 - Capital Projects	\$ 1,264.00	to Architectural Hardware Co. for exterior doors and security system.
	\$ 1,767.77	to Haworth, Inc. for office furniture.
518- Foreclosure Fund	\$ 1,320.00	to Prince & Monton, PLC for attorney fees.
549 - Building Department Fund	\$ 7,346.40	to Randy Miller for permits, residential plan reviews, and commercial plan reviews.
	\$ 5,454.75	to Richard Story for permits, residential plan reviews, and commercial plan reviews.
	\$ 2,817.10	to Randy Neuman for permits, residential plan reviews, and commercial plan reviews.
General Fund		
101 - Board of Commissioners	\$ 3,663.74	to Smith, Haughey, Rice, & Roegge for legal services.
223 - County Auditing	\$ 7,100.00	to Gabridge & Company, PLC for 2021 financial statement audit report.
257 - Equalization	\$ 22,045.00	to V&V Assessing for equalization and assessing services.
283 - Circuit Court	\$ 4,015.59	to Hayes Law Office for court appointed attorney fees.
	\$ 4,015.59	to Springstead Law Offices for court appointed attorney fees.
	\$ 2,786.90	to Heacock Reporting for contracted court services.
301 - Sheriff	\$ 1,916.43	to Cardmember Services for employee training and equipment purchases.
	\$ 1,077.41	to AT&T Mobility.
351 - Jail	\$ 1,992.68	to Gordon Food Service.
528 - Transfer Station	\$ 2,098.00	to C M Rubber Recycling for recycling of tires.

648 - Medical Examiner	\$ 3,085.25	to WMU Homer Stryker M.D. for autopsies.
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		\$ 129,652.33

Administrator’s Report (as written by Dr. Sobie):

Administration

A couple of vacancies have occurred since my last report, including the County Administrator’s Office with the Administrative Assistant’s position; County Clerk’s Office with a Deputy Clerk, and the Sheriff’s Department with a Corrections Officer.

Sheriff’s Department

Last week, the Sheriff, Undersheriff, and I met with the law firm of Prince & Monton to discuss developing a land purchase agreement for a parcel of land related to the proposed new jail and Sheriff’s Offices project. Any such purchase is contingent upon voter approval of a proposed new additional millage and the availability of adjacent land currently owned by the city of Hart.

EMS

I distributed a notice to commissioners from Life EMS about the EMT training course scheduled to be held at the County Services Building. The notice was posted on the county website, sent to county employees, and MSU Extension offered to distribute it to their network of contacts.

Public Comment

Mr. McKeen reminded the Board that they needed to discuss the approval of the 2022 Summer Property Tax Levy.

Ms. Becker sought consideration of a proposed resolution to approve the 2022 Summer Property Tax Levy on Mr. Ed VanderVries’, Oceana County Equalization Director, behalf.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Hardy adjourned the Finance and Equalization Committee meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Respectfully,

Melanie A. Coon
Oceana County Chief Deputy Clerk

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE
COUNTY AIRPORT**

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Airport Manager (“Manager”) has requested a fiscal year 2022 budget amendment for aviation and diesel fuel in the amount of \$10,000 resulting from the increased cost of both types of fuel; and

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Administrator (“Administrator”) is recommending approval of the budget amendment with additional funds coming from the General Fund’s contingency account (101-256-995.000), noting that some portion of the budget increase will be offset through the sale of aviation fuel.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oceana County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Administrator to amend the fiscal year 2022 budget for the county airport in the amount of \$10,000 for aviation and diesel fuel and that the additional funds shall come from the General Fund’s contingency account.

Roll call vote.

DRAFT

**A RESOLUTION TO EDUCATE AND COMMEMORATE JUNE 19th, OR
"JUNETEENTH" AS A CELEBRATION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LIBERATION**

WHEREAS, Juneteenth, also known as "Juneteenth Independence Day", "Emancipation Day", and "Freedom Day" is the oldest African American holiday in observance of emancipation in the United States; and

WHEREAS, despite the Emancipation Proclamation being issued on January 1, 1863, effectively freeing all slaves in rebelling states, slavery was still practiced until Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas on June 19, 1865 issuing General Order #3 freeing the last slaves; and

WHEREAS, slavery was finally and forever banished with the ratification of the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution in December 1865; and

WHEREAS, the freeing of the last slaves in Galveston, Texas lead to celebrations in the streets in Galveston, marking the first ever Juneteenth celebration; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth education and celebrations declined in the early 20th century, but the civil rights movements of the 1950s and 1960s revived the idea and need for Juneteenth education efforts; and

WHEREAS, numerous communities around the country have begun sanctioned and sponsored Juneteenth events, offering opportunities not only for celebration, but reflection on past and present race relations and planning for the future.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners ("Board") recognizes the significance of Juneteenth and directs the Oceana County Administrator to amend Section 6.22 (Holiday Pay) of the Oceana County Policy Handbook to include Juneteenth as a paid county holiday; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, when June 19th falls on Saturday, the Juneteenth holiday shall be observed on the preceding Friday. If June 19th falls on Sunday, the Juneteenth holiday shall be observed on the following Monday; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Board encourages citizens to participate in annual celebrations and reflect on this historic event.

Roll call vote:

Section 6.22 Holiday Pay

Current/Proposed Holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Presidents' Day
- Memorial Day
- Juneteenth (*proposed*)
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Veterans Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Friday after Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve Day
- Christmas Day
- New Year's Eve Day

DRAFT

Resolution Urging the U.S. Department of Labor to Abandon Proposed Wagner-Peyser Rule Changes and Remit Control to the Local Workforce Development Boards

Whereas the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) has published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Wagner-Peyser Act Staffing (Docket No. ETA–2022–0003), which would require states, with no exceptions, to use state merit staff to provide Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Service (ES) services;

Whereas the proposal would reverse current federal policy that allows states maximum flexibility in staffing to provide ES services;

Whereas a 1998 settlement agreement (Michigan v. Herman) has allowed the State of Michigan to use local merit staff employees to deliver ES services through the local network of Michigan Works! Agencies to more than 86,000 job seekers in 2021;

Whereas our primary concern is the negative impacts of this proposal to Michiganders and the primary customers of the workforce development system – both job seekers and employers;

Whereas a key benefit to greater staffing flexibility is strong local strategic relationships with businesses, higher education, nonprofits, childcare, elementary and secondary education, adult education providers and other partners, which allows for more efficient customer service to connect job seekers with in-demand jobs, training opportunities and facilitates a pipeline for those students to local employers;

Whereas Michigan Works! West Central Workforce Development Board, comprised of business, labor and community leaders, is currently responsible for the effective and efficient delivery of six Michigan Works! American Job Centers in Lake, Mason, Mecosta, Newaygo, Oceana and Osceola counties using 15 ES local staff, and this rule would take away local control of Employment Services;

Whereas with this required staffing model, staff and service reductions are inevitable as services are currently provided by more than 400 Michigan Works! staff would be reduced to approximately 100 State of Michigan staff, resulting in significantly longer wait times for job seekers and delays in services for the 32,000 businesses served annually;

Whereas this change would risk the potential loss of several of the 99 full and satellite Michigan Works! American Job Centers across the state, and would negatively impact our constituents by decreased assistance filling job openings, reduction and elimination of job fairs, cutting of industry-led collaboratives and decreased or no access to job training programs; and

Whereas limiting ES staffing to state staff would eliminate the advantage of the streamlined current staffing model in Michigan, which leverages other program funding from WIOA Title II Adult Education, SNAP, TANF, TAA and others to supplement the Wagner-Peyser state allocation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners in the County of Oceana:

1. urges the USDOL to abandon this proposed rule change;
2. urges Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and the Michigan Congressional Delegation to support local control by the Workforce Development Boards and oppose this rule; and
3. urges Gov. Gretchen Whitmer to notify the USDOL Secretary that it would have an adverse impact on the Michigan “One-Stop” workforce development system.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be:

1. sent to U.S. Employment and Training Administration/U.S. Department of Labor;
2. sent to Gov. Gretchen Whitmer;
3. sent to our U.S. Legislators; and
4. sent to our State Legislators.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned duly qualified chair of the Board of Commissioners in the County of Oceana certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the board at its June [XX], 2022, meeting.

Mover: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Seconder: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Chair: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____



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AGENDA

Regular Board Meeting

The Oceana County Board of Commissioners will hold its **Regular Meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022 beginning at 11:30 a.m.** in the Oceana County Board of Commissioners Room, 100 State Street, Hart, MI 49420.

Board Chair: Robert Walker

Board Vice-Chair: Paul Erickson

Presenter	Description	Item #
Mr. Walker	Pledge of Allegiance Call to Order Roll Call Approval of minutes from May 26 Conflict of Interest Disclosure Regarding Agenda Items Changes to the Agenda Approval of the Agenda Public Comment (<i>state your name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
Mr. Morse	Consideration of a Proposed Resolution Amending the FY 2022 County Airport Budget	#22-59
Mr. Christians	Consideration of a Proposed Resolution Amending the County's Observed Holiday Schedule	#22-60
Ms. Meyette	Consideration of a Proposed Resolution Urging the U.S. Department of Labor to Abandon Proposed Wagner-Peyser Rule Changes	#22-61
Mr. Hardy	Payment of Claims	
REPORTS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS		
	Public Comment (<i>state name, current address, and agenda item or topic</i>)	
	Adjournment	

Board Conference Room
May 26, 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 Deputy Clerk. Present: Ms. Meyette, Mr. Erickson, Mr. Morse, Mr. Christians, Mr. Beggs, Mr. Hardy, and Mr. Walker.

Ms. Becker, Oceana County Financial & Human Resources Coordinator; Ms. Coon, Oceana County Chief Deputy Clerk; Ms. Peggy Wittman, City of Hart resident; Mr. Casey Powell, AdvisaCare Home Healthcare, and Mr. John Cavanagh, Oceana's Herald-Journal correspondent, were also present.

Mr. Morse noted that the minutes from May 12, 2022 listed Ms. Gina Loera as a member of the Planning Commission, however she isn't an official member until Resolution No. 1 is passed.

Moved by Mr. Hardy and seconded by Mr. Christians to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2022 regular board meeting with corrections.

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.

Moved by Mr. Beggs and supported by Mr. Morse to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Ms. Wittman expressed concern about election fraud.

Mr. Powell, representing the corporation AdvisaCare Home Healthcare, spoke in regards to recent legislative changes that amended Michigan No-Fault auto insurance regulations. He explained that these changes have greatly affected wages paid to those providing home healthcare to patients recovering from catastrophic injury. The legislative changes did not specifically speak to regulations of home healthcare. He asked to be added to the next board meeting agenda to discuss a resolution urging the State to amend the State Auto Insurance Act.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – APPOINTMENT TO THE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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

WHEREAS, a vacancy occurred on the Oceana County Planning Commission (“Commission”) following the expiration of a term held by Mr. Michael Cook; and

WHEREAS, the Commission received several applications of interest from individuals to serve on the Commission and the Commission allowed each individual an opportunity to introduce themselves to the commission over the past couple of months.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners accepts the recommendation of the Commission to appoint Ms. Gina Loera from Hesperia, MI to the Commission effective immediately with a term expiring December 31, 2024.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – ADOPTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS STRATEGIC PLAN

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

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2021 the Oceana County Board of Commissioners (“Board”) held a strategic planning meeting with members of the public present to identify actionable goals to help guide the Board’s future decision making; and

WHEREAS, following months of additional work, a proposed strategic plan was distributed to, and discussed with, the Board on April 28, 2022; and

WHEREAS, following no additional changes at this time, Commissioner Phil Morse is asking the Board to adopt the strategic plan as previously presented.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the strategic plan and directs the Oceana County Administrator and other important stakeholders to implement the various aspects of the plan, to evaluate results, and to periodically report back to the Board on the results; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board acknowledges that the strategic plan will be updated to reflect new or changing circumstances as the need arises.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 –APPROVAL OF A “BRAND” LOGO AND TAGLINE FOR USE ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE AND OTHER APPROPRIATE USES IN BOTH DIGITAL AND PRINT FORMATS

Moved by Mr. Morse and supported by Mr. Christians to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Oceana County Administrator (“Administrator”) solicited bid proposals from several qualified companies to redesign the county’s web site; and

WHEREAS, Envigor, a West Michigan web design, print, and branding firm located in Shelby Michigan, was selected to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator formed an ad hoc team to work with Envigor to identify design concepts for the new web site including creation of a “brand” logo that can be used to promote Oceana County online and for use in other digital and print material; and

WHEREAS, members of the ad hoc team reviewed a few logo designs and is recommending to the Oceana County Board of Commissioners (“Board”) that one of the designs be approved for use; and

WHEREAS, using a non-governmental “brand” logo that is visual and memorable, and represents key characteristics of Oceana County, may help to transition the county web site, as an example, to a more appealing online resource that invites residents and visitors to get to know the county better; and

WHEREAS, following a directive from the Board, the Administrator enlisted Envigor to develop an online survey seeking public input regarding a “brand logo” and associated tagline and the results of the survey were presented to the Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the selection of a “brand” logo that is identified as Concept 1; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the use of the “brand” logo on the county web site, other digital platforms and file types, and in print material; including use by entities that promote and support Oceana County such as West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Authority and Oceana County Economic Alliance.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – SUMMER 2022 PROPERTY TAX LEVY APPROVAL

Moved by Mr. Erickson and supported by Mr. Morse to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Oceana County is authorized under the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, as amended, to levy and collect County allocated property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act was amended by Public Act 357 of 2004, being MCL 211.44 a, to require all Michigan Counties to impose a summer tax levy, with the summer tax levies for 2005 and 2006 to be in the amount of 1/3rd and 2/3rds, respectively, of the total

County allocated tax, with the full amount of County allocated tax to be levied and collected as a summer tax levy in 2007 and each year thereafter.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004, the Oceana County allocated tax shall be levied and collected on July 1, 2022, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.6571 mills.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer of each city and township in Oceana County is directed to account for and deliver the County allocated tax collections for 2022 in accordance with the provisions of Public Act 357 of 2004.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution constitutes Certification of the levy of the County allocated tax and authorized collection of the County allocated tax on July 1, 2022, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.6571 mills.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chairperson of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners and the Oceana County Clerk ("Clerk") are authorized to sign the 2022 L-4029 Tax Rate Request and that the Clerk shall send a certified copy of this resolution to the townships and city within Oceana County.

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

Motion carried.

Mr. Walker noted that the millage rate is slightly lower than what was requested in 2021.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT FOR A 2022 ELECTION SECURITY GRANT

Moved by Ms. Meyette and supported by Mr. Erickson to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Clerk ("Clerk") received a notice from the Michigan Department of State that a 2022 Election Security Grant opportunity is available, in an amount not to exceed \$2,700, to cover the cost of certain eligible expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk would like to submit a grant request to the state to cover the cost of a new laptop computer that will serve as a backup electronic poll book in the event that a township's or city's laptop malfunctions; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of a new laptop to serve as a backup electronic poll book will not exceed the grant allowance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oceana County Board of Commissioners approves the submission and acceptance of a 2022 Election Security Grant to reimburse the county for the purchase of a new laptop computer and the Oceana County Administrator is authorized to sign all necessary documents; and that the expenditure shall be made from the Technology and Innovations Fund (#298).

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – APPROVAL FOR A MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR, BOND COUNSEL, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES, AND A FUNDING APPLICATION TO THE USDA

Moved by Mr. Hardy and supported by Mr. Erickson to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2022 the Oceana County Board of Commissioners (“Board”) adopted a resolution to submit a ballot proposal to voters regarding a new additional millage of 2.25 mills for 20 years for the purpose of constructing, equipping, furnishing, financing, and operating a new county jail and Sheriff’s Department offices (“Project”) estimated to cost \$35,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Administrator (“Administrator”) is recommending to the Board that the county continue working with Bendzinski & Co. (Grosse Pointe, Michigan) to serve as the county’s municipal financial advisor to assist the county with financial projections, debt service schedules, and other financial tasks related to the proposed Project; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator is recommending to the Board that the county continue working with the law firm of Mika Meyers PLC (Grand Rapids, Michigan) to serve as bond counsel to assist the county in meeting all statutory and procedural requirements to proceed with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator is recommending to the Board that the county continue working with Byce & Associates, Inc. (Kalamazoo, Michigan) to serve as engineers and architects for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator is requesting authorization to pursue Project funding through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (“USDA”) by submitting a Rural Development Application for Federal Assistance that shall include all necessary supporting documents required by the USDA.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the recommendations from the Administrator to continue working with Bendzinski & Co., Mika Meyers PLC, and Byce & Associates, Inc., as it relates to the Project and to sign any and all necessary agreements to procure their respective services; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the Administrator to submit a USDA Rural Development Application for Federal Assistance and to sign any and all documents related to the application for the purpose of securing funding for a proposed new jail and Sheriff’s Department offices in which construction and operation of the proposed facility is contingent upon voter-approval of a new additional millage.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 – DECLARE INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES WITH BOND PROCEEDS AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Moved by Mr. Hardy and seconded by Mr. Beggs to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the County of Oceana (the “County”) previously determined to submit a ballot proposal to County electors at the August 2, 2022 State primary election on the question of the levy of a new additional millage of 2.25 mills for 20 years for the purpose of constructing, equipping, furnishing, financing, and operating a new county jail and Sheriff’s Department offices, engineering, legal, financing and bond issuance costs; contingency, and related appurtenances and costs (together, the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, in the event that County electors approve the new additional millage, the County proposes to issue bonds in one or more series in accordance with the Revised Municipal Finance Act and other applicable law (the “Bonds”) to pay part or all of the cost of the Project;

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the County will advance a portion of the cost of the Project prior to issuance of the Bonds, such advance to be reimbursed, without interest, to the County from proceeds of the Bonds upon the issuance thereof; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations on Income Tax (the “Reimbursement Regulations”) specifies conditions under which a reimbursement allocation may be treated as an expenditure of financing proceeds, and the County intends by this resolution to qualify monies advanced by the County to the Project for reimbursement from proceeds of the Bonds in accordance with the requirements of the Reimbursement Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

1. The estimated maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for the Project by, or on behalf of, the County, including issuance costs, is \$35,000,000, which may be evidenced in part or in full by the Bonds and authorized by proper proceedings undertaken pursuant to state law.
2. It is reasonably expected that the County has advanced or will advance funds for the Project prior to issuance of the Bonds, including items exempt from the Reimbursement Regulations, from monies on hand in the County’s General Fund, American Rescue Plan Act Fund, and/or Public Improvement Fund in the estimated amount of \$300,000 for the Project.
3. The County hereby declares its official intent, and reasonable expectation, to reimburse all or a portion of the amounts so advanced by the County for the Project from the proceeds of the Bonds.
4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Hardy and seconded by Mr. Morse to approve the accounts payable and release of funds for May 26, 2022 in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE	\$68.48
GIS	-0-
FOC	4,074.02
PENTWATER-HART TRAIL	-0-
SHELBY TWP COMM PARK	262.50
AUTOMATION R.O.D.	2,804.10
INDIGENT DEFENSE	21,099.83
LCOT	71.00
K9	93.38
CDBG	5,990.00
ARPA	20,290.00
VETERAN AFFAIRS	11,244.19
TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION	5,585.69
CAP PROJECT-EQUIP REP	3,031.77
FORECLOSURE	1,560.00
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	28,708.32
GENERAL FUND	298,969.24
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 403,852.52

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

Motion carried.

Commissioners' Reports

Mr. Beggs announced the Oceana County Road Commission Open House to be held June 9, 2022 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be hot dogs, chips and lemonade available. There will also be car seat fittings, fire and law enforcement personnel and some equipment vendors there.

Ms. Meyette reported that Greenwood Township held their free Dump Day on May 14, 2022. She commended them for doing such an excellent job. It is set up well and many residents make use of it. They will hold this twice this year.

Mr. Morse reported that there will be a ground-breaking ceremony for the Shelby Township Park on June 9, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. He noted that he, as well as Mr. McKeen and Mr. Greiner from the Planning Commission, attended an MSU Extension course on parliamentary process and good board practices. It provided some interesting points he was not aware of.

Mr. Christians wanted to thank the Board for allowing the progression of the dredging project in the Pentwater channel. The additional ARPA Fund monies made that project possible. He also attended a meeting of the Mason-Oceana 911 Board in Mr. Hardy's stead. He said the Board is doing a great job up there! He and Mr. Morse attended the West Michigan Regional

Shoreline Development Commission (WMRSDC) meeting. The meeting was held at the Historical Museum in downtown Baldwin which was an awesome place to see. Oceana County will be hosting the next WMRSCD meeting in July and we are still looking for a venue.

Mr. Erickson mentioned that he would like to see the quarterly report from Life EMS soon. He related that the District #10 Health Department ordered 10,000 Covid-19 home tests and he believed they will be advertising that soon for residents to pick up free tests if they need them. He attended the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services meeting and the Oceana County Medical Care Facility census is growing and costs are being contained. He too reported that dump days have been successful in both Leavitt and Golden townships. He indicated that there is a growing concern about blighted properties. He thanked Mr. McKeen for his work on branding for the County and for Oceana County Parks. He noted that the last day for ARPA applications is May 31st.

Public Comment

Mr. McKeen relayed that a valued community member and WMRSDC member, passed away. Mr. Greg Mund was an advocate for Oceana County, even though he was a Muskegon County resident, and he was instrumental in starting the Stony Creek Project. He was an expert on streams, lakes and ponds and being out in nature and will be greatly missed.

Ms. Wittman indicated she was in favor of the new jail, but had concerns about the funding.

Chairperson Walker asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

Melanie A. Coon, Oceana County Chief Deputy Clerk

Date

Mr. Walker, Chairperson