Oscoda County Board of Commissioners

Work Session
9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Members Present: Commissioners Olsen, Kelly, Kischnick, Wilson and Nutt.

Members Excused:

Others Present: 21 members of the public were in attendance.

Chair Olsen called the Work Session Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Agenda Items for the B.O.C “Work Session” included:

**Ms. Brenda Moore, Executive B.O.C Secretary, gave a brief overview of the General and Special Fund Budget Summary for the month ending March 2018.

**Mr. Al Chaney, President of the Oscoda County Gun Owners Association, and Ms. Amy Knepp addressed the B.O.C regarding a new gun range located on Summers Road. The gun range would be covered by the Standard Operation Procedure; refer to website http://www.ocgoa.org. After some discussion, Mr. Chaney asked for a letter of support to attach with their application; it was the consensus of the Board to write a letter of support.

**Dr. Russel L. Bush, MD, MPH, Chief Medical Examiner, addressed the B.O.C regarding the Medical Examiner and the System in Michigan. According to the 2016 Analysis Report, Michigan does not have a mechanism for leadership within the ME system. A workgroup was formed and spent a large proportion of their time discussing the creation of an entity who could foster coordination of standardized practices and data reporting and could advocate on behalf of the system. ME standardized practices include training and qualification standards for MEs and MEIs; death scene investigation (DSI) and autopsy standards; standardized data systems and reporting; changes to the structure of the Michigan ME system, including shifting towards regionalization and the development of regional networks and creation of a centralized leadership entity or state ME office. Dr. Bush stated that funding for this centralized leadership entity will require further discussion.

**Chair Olsen called for a recess (9:58 a.m.) before the Regular B.O.C Meeting.
Official Minutes  
April 10, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Oscoda County Board of Commissioner’s was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner’s Room, Courthouse Annex Mio Michigan 48647.

Chair Olsen called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.
Pledge to the Flag:
Roll Call of Members:
Members Present: Commissioners Olsen, Kelly, Kischnick, Wilson and Nutt.
Members Excused:
Others Present: 33 members of the public were in attendance.

**The B.O.C approved the Agenda for April 10, 2018.

Wilson/Kelly a motion to accept the Agenda for April 10, 2018, as presented.
2018-079

5 ayes: 0 nays: Motion Carried.

**The Board of Commissioners approved the Consent Agenda, with the listed Calendar Items, for April 10, 2018, as presented.

Item #1 Official Minutes for March 29, 2018, were approved as presented.

Item #2 Trial Court (101-130) Budget Amendment.

**The B.O.C approved the budget amendment to decrease the 23rd Trial Court budget by $26,663.07, expense line 101-130-704.01(caseworker); due to wage duplication.

Item #3 Oscoda County Dennis Kauffman Memorial Airport-J. Card Surveying, LLC.

**The B.O.C approved J. Card Surveying, LLC survey quote of $2,450.00, regarding Parcel Mapping and access surveying around North End of County Airport; to clarify County Boundary’s, out at the Airport.

Item #4 EMS Paramedic Resignation, Advertisement & Hires.

**The B.O.C acknowledged the resignation letter, as received, from Ethan Passalacqua, full-time EMS Paramedic effective April 11, 2018.

**The B.O.C authorized the EMS Interim Directors to advertise for EMS part-time and contingency EMT’s and Paramedic’s.

**The B.O.C authorized the EMS Interim Directors to hire one part-time EMT and one part-time Paramedic to fill vacant positions.

Item #5 Maintenance Seasonal Employee.

**The B.O.C authorized Mr. Joe Breaugh, Maintenance Supervisor, to rehire Mr. Al Frazho as a seasonal employee, to work out at Fairgrounds (217) and Smith Lake (218) effective May 1, 2018 through
September 1, 2018, at $11.30 per hour; wages were approved in the 2018 budget and are divided between the two Special Funds.

**Item#6** ASVCMH – Fiber Lease Agreement Renewal.

**The B.O.C approved the renewal of the Fiber Lease Agreement between AuSable Valley Community Mental Health Authority and Oscoda County for $100.00 per month May 2018 through May 2019.**

**Item #7** Expenditures for March 2018, were approved as received from the County Clerk’s Office.

**Total Expenditures: $847,132.19.**

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**Item #8** Claims and Audit Docket for April 10, 2018, was approved, as received from the County Clerk’s Office.

**Total Claims & Audit $10,009.71.**

**Wilson/Kischnick** motion to approve the Consent Calendar Items, as listed, for April 10, 2018.  

2018-080

**Roll Call Vote:** Kischnick, yes; Olsen, yes; Nutt, yes; Kelly, yes; Wilson, yes. **Motion Carried.**

**Public Matters & Comments** (Regarding today’s Agenda- limited to two minutes per person).

**Resident question Item#3 regarding the Airport Survey.** Commissioner Wilson stated it is to have the Airport surveyed for public easements.

**Resident question Item#4 Paramedic Resignation & EMS Staff.** Commissioner Olsen stated that there currently is five full paramedics, however one is on leave, one part-time and one contingency paramedics. There are five fulltime EMTs and one contingent EMT. A new shift leader has not been appointed.

**Appointments:**

**Mr. Casey Guthrie, Equalization Director, presented the Annual 2018 Equalization Report, as required by PA 135 of 1991.**

**Nutt/Wilson** a motion to go into an Equalization Session, as required by PA 135 of 1991 (10:16 a.m.) 2018-081

5 ayes: 0 nays: **Motion Carried.**

**Kelly/Wilson** a motion to adjourn the Equalization Session and return to the Regular Board Meeting 2018-082 (10:25a.m.).

5 ayes: 0 nays: **Motion Carried.**

**Kischnick/Wilson** a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-004 the Tax Certification for Taxes Levied in 2018 and accept the Oscoda County 2018 Equalization Report, with the total equalized value of $452,305,160 as prepared & received by the Oscoda County Equalization Director, Casey Guthrie.

**Roll Call Vote:** Wilson, yes; Kischnick, yes; Kelly, yes; Nutt, yes; Olsen, yes. **Motion Carried.**
Chief Judge Richard Vollbach, Jr. and Judge David Riffle addressed the B.O.C. Judge Vollbach asked the B.O.C to consider stopping the rebuild project and look at building an all-inclusive Government Building that includes the Courts. Judge Vollbach stated that there are huge benefits for the courts to be with all government offices. The Annex Building was supposed to be a temporary spot for the courts and at one time was included in the design. The Annex Building has several security issues. A security assessments is scheduled this month. The County will eventually have to meet the standards that the State of Michigan set. The B.O.C has the opportunity to address these issues and to have a state of art building. It would be a legacy for the B.O.C that everyone could be proud of. Commissioner Olsen stated that the B.O.C have a legal contract with Wolgast Corporation and it has been almost two years since the fire. The new Government Building has been designed for future expansion if need be. The B.O.C needs to move forward with what we have committed too, otherwise if we were to stop the project it would be additional costs to the tax payers. The County has settled with the Insurance Company. Commissioner Olsen stated that the contract the County has with Wolgast Corporation and the County Insurance Policy are on file at the County Clerk’s Office, if Judge Vollbach would like to review them. After further discussion, Judge Vollbach and Judge Riffle asked the Board to hold off on the project have a cost analysis completed of the Annex Building and a cost analysis of the new building to include the courts before moving forward. Commissioner Olsen stated the B.O.C would be happy to review a cost analysis if the courts would like to pay to do that. The B.O.C thanked both Judge Vollbach and Judge Riffle for their time.

**Correspondence/Reports/Resolutions:**
**The B.O.C made a motion to acknowledge, with Commissioner Wilson casting a nay vote, regarding the Department of Health & Human administration of funds.**

**Kischnick/Nutt** a motion to acknowledge the correspondence received from DHHS and the County Treasurer’s.
4 ayes: 1 nays: **Motion Carried.**

**Information regarding Opioid Epidemic forums were provided by Commissioner Wilson.**

**Unfinished Business/New Business:**

**Financial:**

**Committee Reports:**

**Commissioner Nutt:**
**Met with Dan Money, Oscoda County Park Manager.**
**Attended the Library Board Meeting.**
**Phone conference call with ASVCMH Board Meeting.**
**Met with B.O.C Executive Secretary, Brenda Moore.**

**Commissioner Kelly:**
**Attended the NEMSCA Board Meeting.**
**Acting Interim EMS Director duties.**

**Commissioner Kischnick:**
**Met with Commissioners Wilson to review the Non-Union & Elected Official Wages.**
**Participated in a Landfill Finance Committee Meeting.**
**Attended the Veteran Affairs Board Meeting. (Support House Bill #4362 & Senate Bill#723)**
**Attended the Council on Aging Board Meeting.**
Commissioner Olsen:
**Attended the Road Commission Board Meeting.**
**Acting Interim EMS Director duties.**
**Reviewed the Claims & Audit Docket for April 10, 2018; as part of the Finance Committee.**

Commissioner Wilson:
**Met with Commissioners Kischnick to review the Non-Union & Elected Official Wages.**
**Attended the Clinton Township Board Meeting.**
**Announced the Steiner Museum Annual Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for May 26, 2018.**
**Reviewed the Claims & Audit Docket for April 10, 2018; as part of the Finance Committee.**
**Attended the CHOICE Board Meeting.**

Public Comments & Matters:
**Several Comments received regarding Judge Vollbach & Judge Riffles presentation.**
- The B.O.C was thanked for keeping the tax payers in mind.
- Security, structure issues and ventilation in the Annex Building need to be addressed.
- Cost analysis of the Annex Building to renovate the Annex Building vs. a new Building for the Courts.
- Sheriff’s Department needs to be included in a new building.
- County needs to have a future plan.
**Sheriff Grace praised his Dispatchers for a great job.**
**Resident questions the MSU Extension Meeting.**
**Resident asked when a new EMS Director would be hired and why Frederick Township was used.**
**Resident questioned County employee’s use of vehicles and use of gas cards.**
**Several comments received on the EPA proposal to permit Merit Energy Company regarding the injection well in Big Creek Township. Commissioner Olsen stated she has contacted Merit Energy, Mr. William Tong, and asked that a representative hold a public meeting to address the residents’ concerns.**

**Chair Olsen asked for a motion to adjourn.**

Wilson/Nutt a motion to adjourn today’s meeting (12:25 p.m.).
2018-085

5 ayes: 0 nays: **Motion Carried.**

**The next Regular B.O.C Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2018.**
A B.O.C Work Session will be held at 9:00 a.m. and the Regular B.O.C Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

LaNita Olsen, Oscoda County
Board of Commissioners Chair

Jeri Winton, Oscoda County
Clerk & Register of Deeds