



COUNTY OF OSCODA

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**Oscoda County Board of Commissioners
Work Session
9:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 13, 2019**

Members Present: Commissioners Yoder, Varner, McCauley and Marsh.
Members Excused: Commissioner Bondar
Others Present: 8 members of the public were in attendance.

Chairman Yoder 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, reviewed July 2019 General and Special Funds Budget Summary’s.

**Mr. Joe Breugh, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Fairground Events & Fees. Mr. Breugh stated he was in favor of increasing the fees at the Fairgrounds but in moderation. The B.O.C discussed sweat equity and in-kind contributions, current events, future events, camping and reviewed the proposed Fairground fee increases. The B.O.C will address the Fairground fees at their regular B.O.C meeting today.

**Ms. Mischelle Warner, District #4 h-H Director, from Michigan State University (MSU), discussed the “Agreement for Extension Services” for the 4-H Program Coordinator position and explained some of the extension education programs, funding and the cost for the programs. The Fairview and Mio-AuSable Area School Districts have agreed to continue their support the Program Coordinator position by offering space, internet, telephone and more for 2019/2020. It was the consensus of the B.O.C to continue to support the MSUE programs, however could not commit financially to the 4-H Program Coordinator position, at this time. Ms. Warner thanked the B.O.C for their continued support. Ms. Warner stated that MSUE was \$1,200.00 short from reaching their goal for a full-time 4-H STEAM Corp position, but will continue to promote and knock on door. Ms. Warner thanked the B.O.C for their support. For more information on MSUE Programs and/or to become a volunteer visit www.msue.msu.edu or e-mail sawyeria@msu.edu.

**Chairman Yoder called to end the Work Session (9:50 a.m.).

Official Minutes

August 13, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Oscoda County Board of Commissioner's was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room, Courthouse Annex Mio Michigan 48647. Chairman Yoder called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call of Members:

Members Present: Commissioners Yoder, Varner, McCauley, Bondar (late) and Marsh.

Members Excused:

Others Present: 6 members of the public were in attendance.

**Commissioner Yoder asked the B.O.C to change the Agenda format amending (F) Public Matters & Comments on the Agenda to allow the public to address the B.O.C for all matters rather than limiting it to today's Agenda. The B.O.C approved the Agenda for August 13, 2019 with that change.

McCauley/Varner a motion to approve the Agenda for August 13, 2019; amending (F) Public Matters & **2019-196** Comments on the Agenda.

4 yes: 0 no: **Motion Carried.**

**The B.O.C approved the Consent Agenda for August 13, 2019.

Item #1 Official Minutes & Closed Session Minutes for July 23, 2019, were approved as presented.

Item #2 Expenditures for July 2019, were approved as received from the County Clerk's Office. Total Expenditures \$610,631.66.

	PAYROLL	EXPENSES	TOTAL
101 General Fund	\$165,357.81	\$175,662.84	\$341,020.65
102 Ambulance Equip	\$0.00	\$8,932.89	\$8,932.89
103 Sheriff Equip	\$0.00	\$3,601.74	\$3,601.74
104 911 Emergency	\$7,206.81	\$3,708.23	\$10,915.04
205 Officer Training	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
208 Park Fund	\$5,703.29	\$7,853.33	\$13,556.62
209 D.A.R.E.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
210 Ambulance Fund	\$61,857.44	\$23,291.92	\$85,149.36
215 Friend/Court	\$5,652.95	\$2,890.63	\$8,543.58
216 Public Guardian	\$1,307.01	\$80.65	\$1,387.66
217 Fairgrounds	\$681.20	\$1,213.83	\$1,895.03
218 Smith Lake	\$681.22	\$134.38	\$815.60
230 Hazmat	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
232 Historical Commission	\$0.00	\$49.84	\$49.84
239 Gypsy Moth	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

245	Public Improvement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
249	Building Dept.	\$4,072.44	\$14,652.30	\$18,724.74
256	R.O.D. Automation	\$0.00	\$4,135.40	\$4,135.40
258	May 4 Courthouse Fire	\$0.00	\$29,506.78	\$29,506.78
260	MIDC	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
263	Concealed Pistol Licensing	\$0.00	\$6.50	\$6.50
265	Drug Law Enforcement	\$2,850.46	\$42.59	\$2,893.05
269	Law Library	\$0.00	\$154.67	\$154.67
271	Library	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
274	Council/Aging	\$0.00	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00
281	EDC Revolving Loan	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
285	RSRF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
290	Social Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
292	Child Care	\$3,306.18	\$24,604.15	\$27,910.33
293	Soldiers / Sailors Relief	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
294	Veterans Trust	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
295	Airport	\$723.40	\$5,124.31	\$5,847.71
296	Basic Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
297	Smile/Counseling	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
298	Veterans Affairs	\$2,049.66	\$5,825.38	\$7,875.04
470	Courthouse Preservation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
616	Tax Revolving	\$0.00	\$21,709.43	\$21,709.43
	<i>SUB TOTALS</i>	\$261,449.87	\$349,181.79	\$610,631.66
201	Road Commission			\$183,894.13
	<i>Grand Total</i>		\$794,525.79	

Item #3 Claims and Audit Docket for **August 13, 2019**, were approved as received from the County Clerk's Office. Total Claims & Audit **\$49,943.88**.

Marsh/Varner a motion to approve the Consent Calendar for **August 13, 2019**, as presented.
2019-197

Roll Call Vote: Yoder, yes; Bondar, absent; Marsh, yes;
McCauley, yes; Varner, yes. **Motion Carried.**

Public Matters & Comments (Regarding today's Agenda- limited to three minutes per person).

**The B.O.C amended, this section of the Agenda, to allow the public to address the B.O.C for all matters rather than limiting it to today's Agenda; there was no public comments.

Appointments:

**Mr. Bob Hunter, EMS Director, addressed the B.O.C regarding the Frederic Township Fire Department Agreement. Mr. Hunter stated that EMS has been working with Frederic Township for some time now and they have been an asset to the County. Oscoda County does not currently handle out of County transfers and Frederic has agreed to continue to assist Oscoda County at no cost to either party. Mr.

Hunter stated he still has a full-time paramedic position to fill and reviewed EMS runs and budget transmittals; both are up. The following motion was made:

Varner/McCauley a motion for Oscoda County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) to enter into an agreement with Frederic Township Fire Department to back fill 911 calls and/or transfers, as outline in the agreement, effective August 13, 2019.

Roll Call Vote: Varner, yes; Marsh, yes; Yoder, yes;
Bondar, absent; McCauley, yes. **Motion Carried.**

Correspondence/Reports/Resolutions:

**The B.O.C advertised for two weeks for a new Veteran Affairs Member and received two interested applicants. Commissioner Yoder stated that the Veteran Affairs Board did receive copies of the applicants information, however did not address them at their August 8, 2019 Meeting. The B.O.C discussed the two applicant's and whether to wait for a recommendation from the Veteran Affairs Board. Commissioner Yoder stated the Veteran Affairs Board had their opportunity and it is ultimately the B.O.C responsibility to appoint and both applicants are good candidates; Commissioner Varner and McCauley agreed. The following motion was made; Commissioner Marsh casting a no vote.

Varner/McCauley a motion to appoint Ms. Susan Whiting to the Veteran Affairs Board, to fill the vacancy and term left by Ms. LaNita Olsen.

Roll Call Vote: Marsh, no; Yoder, yes; McCauley, yes;
Varner, yes; Bondar, absent. **Motion Carried.**

Unfinished Business/New Business:

**Commissioner Varner addressed the Equalization Director Position recommending Ms. Amber Woehlert to the B.O.C.; who has received her MAAO certification. Ms. Amber Woehlert was introduced and the B.O.C welcomed her to the County.

Varner/Marsh a motion to hire Amber A. Woehlert, as a part-time Equalization Director, (not eligible for County Benefits), with a salary of \$47,000.00, working 24 hours per week (M-W-F), effective August 14, 2019.

Roll Call Vote: McCauley, yes; Marsh, yes; Yoder, yes;
Varner, yes; Bondar, absent. **Motion Carried.**

**County Treasurer, Bill Kendall, gave an up-date on the Law Suit against the County Treasurer and the B.O.C regarding tax foreclosure proceeds. The Law Suit has been dismissed, however the Supreme Court of the United States ruled on a case that allows the law suit to move to Federal Court. Mr. Kendall has requested the B.O.C approve to continue to retain Attorney Mr. Allan Vander Laan who represented the County Treasurer and B.O.C in the first law suit; who has agreed to continue as our council at the same hourly rate of pay as before, in the new Federal Law Suit.

McCauley/Varner motion to continue to retain Attorney Allan Vander Lann of the Cummings, McClorey, Davis & Acho, P.L.C., Law Firm to represent Oscoda County and the Treasurer's Office in the filed Class Action Suit in Federal Court; with the same terms and conditions.

Roll Call Vote: Varner, yes; Bondar, absent; McCauley, yes;
Yoder, yes; Marsh, yes. **Motion Carried.**

**Commissioner Bondar arrive (10:35 a.m.)

**Commissioner Varner stated that Commissioner Bondar and he met with Mr. Jeremy Card, Surveyor, to review the survey completed last year on the driveway entrance (that residents use that live out by the Airport) and the DNR property recently purchased by the County. The previous B.O.C had been working on improving the driveway to stop all non-aeronautic traffic from using the Airport entrance, as recommended by the MDOT (Aeronautics) Inspector and Mead & Hunt, Inc. Commissioner Varner asked the B.O.C to allow himself and Commissioner Bondar to get bids for the “Driveway Entrance Project”.

Marsh/McCauley a motion to allow Commissioner Bondar and Varner, Airport Liaisons, to obtain **2019-202** two/three sealed bids (exempt from the Purchasing & Bidding Policy) for a driveway entrance project, north of the DNR property off M-33, located at the Oscoda County Dennis Kauffman Memorial, for access to residential parcels to the north, to present to the entire B.O.C for consideration at a later date.

5 yes: 0 no: **Motion Carried.**

Financial:

** The B.O.C discussed the Fairgrounds Fee’s and compromised. The following fees were approved.

2020 Fairground Fee’s

**Fairgrounds Base Rental (Top or Bottom) (No Buildings included)	\$125.00 Daily
**Fairgrounds Building	\$ 50.00 Daily
**Fairgrounds Kitchen	\$100.00 Daily
**Lower Barns	\$ 50.00 Daily
**Entire Fairgrounds 4-7 days	\$1,000.00
**Arena	\$ 75.00 Daily
**Camping (Per Site)	\$ 10.00 per site.

Marsh/Varner a motion to increase the Fairgrounds Fees, effective January 1, 2020, as listed, and to **2019-203** advertise in the Herald and on the County Website.

Roll Call Vote: Marsh, yes; Yoder, yes; Bondar, yes; McCauley, yes; Varner, yes. **Motion Carried.**

**The B.O.C discussed the Governmental Building (Rebuild-Project). Commissioner Marsh and Commissioner Yoder met with Wolgast Corporation and discussed the IT Department, the County Clerk & Register of Deed Offices and the B.O.C Boardroom. The County Insurance was reviewed. Commissioner Yoder stated the Insurance has made an offer to settle. Commissioner Marsh and Commissioner Yoder along with Wolgast Corporation reviewed a list provided by the Insurance Company with an explanation, on most of the listed items that the Insurance will not cover stating items were either an up-grade and/or not covered by the County policy. Commissioner Marsh stated the County is in the process of gathering information before the County will respond. Commissioner Yoder stated that the County will need an Attorney to review the insurance policy, the settlement request and the Counties findings before the County does officially respond. The “Rebuild Project” is on target with the shingles and the rough dry-wall of the ceiling scheduled next. Commissioner Marsh announced that she would like to stepdown from the rebuild committee and as the “Single Point of Contact” for the Governmental Building (Rebuild-Project) stating that her work is very busy and her commitment to outside actives limits her. Commissioner Marsh suggested the B.O.C appoint Commissioner Yoder since he has been involved from the beginning. Commissioner Bondar suggested appointing Mr. Tim Whiting, Building Inspector, and Mr. Joe Breaugh, Maintenance Supervisor, to oversee the daily activities. Commissioner Yoder stated that he appreciates and welcomes Mr. Whiting and Mr. Breaugh assistance

but a Commissioner needs to be the “Single Point of Contact” and a second Commissioner to assist, for authority purposes to keep this project moving. The B.O.C approved a “Change Order” for the County Clerk & Register of Deed Office. Commissioner McCauley made the motion to remove Commissioner Marsh and appoint Commissioner Bondar to assist and Commissioner Yoder as the “Single Point of Contact” for the Governmental Building (Rebuild-Project).

Varner/Bondar a motion to officially inform the Veteran Affairs Board that the B.O.C has removed the
2019-204 VA Office from the Governmental Building (Rebuild-Project) and moved the Board of Commissioner’s Office to that location; due to “Change Order” RFI#007.
5 yes: 0 no: **Motion Carried.**

McCauley/Bondar a motion to approve the “Change Order” RFI#007 (Clerk’s & Register of Deeds
2019-205 Office revisions for daily office efficiency) to the Governmental Building (Rebuild-Project), estimated at \$3,356.00 and authorize Wolgast Corporation to move forward.

Roll Call Vote: Bondar, yes; McCauley, yes; Varner, yes;
Marsh, yes; Yoder, yes; **Motion Carried.**

McCauley/Varner a motion to remove Commissioner Marsh from the Rebuild Committee and “Single
2019-206 Point of Contact” to the Governmental Building (Rebuild-Project) and appoint Commissioner Bondar to the Rebuild Committee and appoint Commissioner Yoder as the “Single Point of Contact”, effective August 13, 2019; superseding all previous motions.
5 yes: 0 no: **Motion Carried.**

Committee Reports:

Commissioner Bondar

**Met with Bob Hunter, EMS Director, along with Commissioner Varner to review the Steelworkers Contract for negotiations.

**Met with Mr. Joe Breugh, Maintenance Supervisor, regarding Fairgrounds.

**Attended a couple of Landfill Board Meetings.

**Met with Jeremy Card, Card Surveying, along with Commissioner Varner and Dave Kauffman, Airport Manager regarding the Airport survey.

**Participated in a “Negotiations Meeting” along Commissioner Varner, Bob Hunter, EMS Director and Jeri Winton, County Clerk & Register of Deeds and Representatives for the new EMS and Professional Employees Association (TPOAM Union).

**Attended a Pipe Line Safety Meeting.

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**Met with MDOT and Road Commission Representatives to discuss the Airport “Driveway Entrance Project”.

**Reviewed the Claims & Audit Docket for August 13, 2019; as part of the Finance Committee.

Commissioner McCauley

**Attended the Road Commission Meeting.

**Attended a T-Lake Association Meeting.

**Attended the Library Board Meeting.

**Attended the MTA Board Meeting.

*Note - A Greenwood Township Veteran "Construction Project" has been taken care of.

Commissioner Marsh

**Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Yoder and Jennifer Martin, 44-North, to discuss County Health Insurance options.

**Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Yoder and Wolgast Corporation, regarding the rebuild project.

**Attended the CHOICES Board Meeting.

Commissioner Yoder

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**Reviewed the Claims & Audit Docket for August 13, 2019; as part of the Finance Committee.

**Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Marsh and Wolgast Corporation, regarding the rebuild project.

**Attended the Veteran Affairs Board Meeting.

**Attended the MTA Board Meeting.

Public Comments & Matters:

**Mr. Dominic Trimboli, from the Oscoda County Hearld, announced he is moving and leaving Oscoda County. Mr. Trimboli thanked the B.O.C for making his job enjoyable this last year. The B.O.C, Sheriff Grace and others in the audience thanked Mr. Trimboli for his professionalism and wished him well.

**Sheriff Grace announced the "Bike Rodeo" at the "Heritage Days" was successful and two new bikes were given away. The annual "Badges for a Cause" 5K Walk/Run Fundraiser was a big success; all proceeds will stay in the County to assist a local family dealing with cancer.

**Commissioner Yoder called for a Closed Session in accordance with the "Open Meetings" (1976 PA267 MCL 15.261 et seq.) (Section 8-C); Strategy with the negotiations of a Collective Bargaining Agreement.

McCauley/Bondar motion to go into Closed Session (12:25p.m.), Strategy with the negotiations of a **2019-207** Collective Bargaining Agreement, in accordance with the "Open Meetings" (1976 PA267 MCL 15.261 et seq.) (Section 8-C).

Roll Call Vote: Yoder, yes; Bondar, yes; Marsh, yes;
McCauley, yes; Varner, yes. **Motion Carried.**

Varner/McCauley a motion to return to the B.O.C Meeting (12:35 p.m.).

2019-208

5 yes: 0 no: **Motion Carried.**

McCauley/Varner a motion to ratify the extended Contract Agreement "between" County of Oscoda **2019-209** and the Oscoda County EMS and Professional Employees Association (TPOAM Union), effective July 1, 2019 through January 31, 2020, as agreed upon by all parties.

Roll Call Vote: Marsh, yes; Yoder, yes; Bondar, yes;
McCauley, yes; Varner, yes. **Motion Carried.**

Varner/McCauley a motion to adjourn today's meeting (12:38 p.m.).
2019-210

5 yes: 0 no: **Motion Carried.**

The next Regular B.O.C Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 27, 2019. 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.**

Kyle Yoder, Oscoda County
Board of Commissioners Chairman

Jeri Winton, Oscoda County
Clerk & Register of Deeds