



# COUNTY OF OSCODA

Board of Commissioners  
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Oscoda County Courthouse Annex 105 S. Court Street, P.O. Box 399, Mio, MI 48647

## Official Minutes

May 24, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Oscoda County Board of Commissioner's was held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. held at the Mio Community Center, Mio Michigan 48647.

Members Present: Commissioners Kischnick, Wilson, Christenbery, Boerner and Grantner.

Members Excused:

Others Present: 31 members of the public were in attendance.

Chairman Kischnick called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call, followed by the Pledge to the Flag

\*\*The B.O.C approved the Agenda, as presented.

**Wilson/Christenbery** a motion to accept the **Agenda** for May 24, 2016; as presented.  
**2016-091**

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

\*\*The B.O.C approved the Consented Calendar for May 24, 2016, with listed Calendar Items, as presented.

**Item #1** Official Minutes for May 10, 2016, as presented.

**Item #2** Treasurer's request to waive additional interest.

\*\*The B.O.C approved Mr. Bill Kendall, County Treasurer's request to waive any additional interest for County Residents paying their delinquent taxes through June 30, 2016, due to the May 4, 2014 Courthouse Fire,

**Item #3** Special Fund 258 for the May 4, 2016 Courthouse Fire.

\*\*The B.O.C authorized the Treasurer's Office to create a "Special Fund" 258 with both revenue and expense lines for all "Fire" related entries due to the May 4, 2016 Courthouse Fire.

**Item #4** Budget Amendment (per motion 2016-088).

\*\*The B.O.C approved to move \$7,500.00 from Contingency to Gov't Admin 101-115-977.01 Land Acquisition, to cover the purchase of the 3-three property lots, located at the corner of 11<sup>th</sup> and Court Street, per motion 2016-088.

**Item #5** Motion 2016-089 Amended; Total Claims & Audit for **May 10, 2016.**

\*\*The B.O.C amended the May 10, 2016 Claims & Audit Motion 2016-089 to include the total Claims & Audit, in the amount of **\$46,384.90.**

**Item #6** Claims and Audit Docket for **May 24, 2016,** as received from the County Clerk's Office.

\*\*Total Claims & Audit **\$106,574.25.**

**Wilson/Grantner 2016-092** a motion to approve the **Consented Agenda**, and all listed Calendar Items for **May 24, 2016,** as presented.

**Roll Call Vote:** Christenbery, yes; Grantner, yes; Wilson, yes; Kischnick, yes; Boerner, yes. **Motion Carried.**

**Public Comments:**

\*\*Commissioner Kischnick welcomed Mr. Steve Gusler, Fairview Teacher and the Freshman Seminar Class, 19 students in attendance, along with Ms. Jenny Oliver, Bus Driver, to the Oscoda County Board of Commissioners, May 24, 2016, Board Meeting.

**Appointments:**

**Old Business:**

\*\*The B.O.C made a motion to expend its 2016 Title III Grant Funds, in the amount of **\$19,274.59** on the following projects. An AD will be placed in the Herald and public comments will be accepted until **July 15, 2016,** at the Board of Commissioners Office.

**\*\*\$11,730.00** Fairview Fire Department to replace a non-functioning water pump on a tanker used to fight forest and structure fires on Federal, State and Privately owned land.

**\*\*\$1,990.00** Luzerne Volunteer Fire Department to purchase Fire Wise Education & Material to educate our citizens to avoid forest and structure fires on Federal, State and Privately owned land.

**\*\*\$2,054.59** Tri-Town Fire Department to help replace firefight equipment used to fight forest and structure fires on Federal, State and Privately owned land.

**\*\*\$3,500.00** McKinley Township Fire Department to help replace firefight equipment used to fight forest and structure fires on Federal, State and Privately owned land.

**Christenbery/Boerner 2016-093** a motion to award a total of **\$19,274.59** from 2016 Title III Funds, as listed, and authorize the County Treasurer to issue checks, in the awarded amounts, at the end of the advertised 45-days, as required by Title III, and so amend the budget.

**Roll Call Vote:** Grantner, yes; Wilson, yes; Kischnick, yes; Boerner, yes; Christenbery, yes. **Motion Carried.**

\*\*Commissioner Kischnick gave an up-date on the May 4, 2016 Court House Fire. The Courthouse is a total loss and is not repairable, a new building will be built. SERVPRO a Fire & Water Cleanup & Restoration Company out of Saginaw & Bay City has cleaned the sited. The Executive General Adjuster,

Clare Wasek, out of Bay City, has been working closely with us. The County will receive two 24x 60 Modular Units to temporary house the Clerk, Register of Deeds, Equalization and the County Treasurer's Offices for a minimum of 18 months located at 205 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, previously purchases by the County. Currently those offices have been housed at the Annex Building in the Board of Commissioners Board Room and in the entry way; Commissioner Kischnick complimented the departments for working together in such tight corners. SERVPRO will use local companies as much as possible. It is plan to place fabric on the fence, put up by Mio Fencing Company, for security and safety. At this time, all scheduled events on the Courthouse lawn will be allowed. Looking ahead, a couple of Architects have been contacted and meetings held. Commissioner Kischnick also request the Board consider hiring a Project Manager with some insurance and construction background to oversee the rebuilding project.

**New Business:**

\*\*The B.O.C approved a "Special Meeting" regarding the Dennis Kauffman Memorial Airport as requested by Mead & Hunt, Inc. to move forward on the tree clearing project; to avoid losing the 2013 Grant funds awarded. The B.O.C also approved the PLATINUM Level for the Q-POD Technologies Fueling Technical Support and lowered the price of fuel to \$4.50.

**Wilson/Boerner** a motion to call a "Special B.O.C Meeting" to discuss the Oscoda County Dennis  
**2016-094** Kauffman Memorial Airport, Avigation Easement Acquisition Project, on Tuesday,  
June 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

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

**Grantner/Christenbery** a motion to continue the Annual Service Agreement with QT Petroleum on  
**2016-095** Demand, at the Platinum Level, in the amount of \$1,595.00, to provide technical support for the Self-Service Terminal out at the Oscoda County Dennis Kauffman Memorial Airport, and so amend the budget.

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

**Christenbery/Wilson** a motion to lower the price of the Aviation Fuel, out at the Oscoda County Dennis  
**2016-096** Kauffman Memorial Airport, from \$5.50 to \$4.50, effective immediately.

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

\*\*The B.O.C received a resignation letter from the Equalization Director, John Gehres, who has accepted another position, however he is willing to stay on as an irregular status one day a week until another Equalization Director is hired. Commissioner Kischnick made a motion to appoint Commissioner Grantner, Commissioner Wilson and County Treasurer, Bill Kendall to sit on the committee in the search for a new director.

**Wilson/Grantner** a motion to accept the letter of resignation from John Gehres, Equalization Director,  
**2016-097** but to allow him to work as an hourly employee, at \$27 per hour working one (8-hour) day per week, as of June 6, 2016 and/or until a new Equalization Director has been hired or other arrangements have been made.

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

**Kischnick/Wilson** a motion to set up an interview committee that consist of Commissioner Grantner,  
**2016-098** Commissioner Wilson and County Treasurer, Bill Kendall to search for a new Equalization Director and authorize them to advertise if deemed necessary.

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

**Financial:** (Motions Needed)

**Correspondence, Reports, Resolutions (acknowledge receipt):**

\*\*Commissioner Kischnick shared a letter from Northern Michigan Counties Association regarding reinstating membership annual dues; 2016 will is \$75.00.

**Committee Reports:**

**Commissioner Boerner**

\*\*Attended the EDA Board Meeting.

**Commissioner Wilson:**

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Christenbery, Jean Cardinal, Trial Court Administrator, Gerard Ahlers, Trial Court Juvenile Officer, and Bill Kendall, County Treasurer, regarding the Trail Court Budgets.

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Christenbery, and Bill Kendall, County Treasurer to review Tittle III request.

\*\*Attended the EDC & Brownfield Board Meeting.

\*\*Attended the Landfill Board Meeting.

\*\*Attended the NE MI Collaborative (MI Works) Board Meeting.

\*\*Attended the Elmer Township Board Meeting

\*\*Participated in two meetings, along with Commissioner Kischnick with two different Architects.

\*\*Attended the Steiner Museum Board Meeting. Annual "Pancake Breakfast" is Saturday, May 28th, from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m.

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Kischnick and Mr. Clare Wasek, Executive General Adjuster, and Department Heads.

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Kischnick and Bill Kendall, County Treasurer, with Globe Midwest Adjuster International, a Private Adjusting Firm.

\*\*Reviewed the Claims & Audit Docket.

**Commissioner Kischnick:**

\*\*Attended the Greenwood Township Board Meeting.

\*\*Attended the Landfill Board Meeting.

\*\*Attended the Northern Michigan Counties Association Board Meeting.

\*\*Participated in two meetings, along with Commissioner Wilson with two different Architects.

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Wilson and Mr. Clare Wasek, Executive General Adjuster, and Department Heads.

\*\*Met with SERVPRO, Mr. John Hawthorne, Project Manager, and Joe Breaugh, Maintenance Supervisor, regarding restored items in the Courthouse Building.

\*\*Attended the Big Creek Township Board Meeting.

\*\*Attended the NEMCOG Board Meeting.

\*\*Attended the Landfill Claims & Audit Committee Meeting.

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Wilson and Bill Kendall, County Treasurer, with Globe Midwest Adjuster International, a Private Adjusting Firm.

**Commissioner Christenbery:**

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Wilson, Jean Cardinal, Trial Court Administrator, Gerard Ahlers, Trial Court Juvenile Officer, and Bill Kendall, County Treasurer, regarding the Trail Court Budgets.

\*\*Participated in a meeting along with Commissioner Wilson, and Bill Kendall, County Treasurer to review Tittle III request.

\*\*Reviewed the Claims & Audit Docket.

\*\*Attended the District Health Department #2 Board Meeting.

**Commissioner Grantner:**

- \*\*Attended the District Health Department #2 Board Meeting.
- \*\*Attended the ASVCMH Board Meeting.

**Public Comments & Matters:**

- \*\*Comments received: 1) Clarification on the Equalization Director’s position.
- 2) Concern with the Veterans Office and a statement in a letter, dated 2/12//2016. Commissioner Boerner, VA Liaison will follow-up.
- 3) Greenwood Township resident spoke of a Blight complaint and agrees a Project Manager is needed for the rebuilding of the Courthouse; he will submit a resume.
- 4) National Weather has called a “Red Flag Warning” NO Fires Permits.
- 5) Boater’s Safety Course is scheduled for Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. held at the EMS Training Garage.
- 6) Mr. Gusler’s and the Fairview freshman students were thanked for attending.

\*\*Commissioner Kischnick called for a motion to adjourn.

**Wilson/Boerner** a motion to adjourn today’s meeting, **May 24, 2016** (10:58 a.m.)  
**2016-099**

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

\*\*The next Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.**

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**John A. Kischnick, Oscoda County**  
**Board of Commissioners, Chairperson**

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**Jeri Winton, Oscoda County**  
**Clerk & Register of Deeds**