



COUNTY OF OSCODA

Board of Commissioners
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Official Minutes April 11, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Oscoda County Board of Commissioner’s was held on **Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.** “Open to the Public” and offered to join by Teleconference, from the Commissioner’s Boardroom, located at the Oscoda County Government Center Building, 311 S. Morenci Ave, Mio Michigan 48647.

Commissioner Varner called today’s “Public Meeting” to order at 10:00 a.m.; including those joining the meeting by teleconference.

Pledge to the Flag
Roll Call of Members:

Members Present: Commissioners Varner, Marsh, Handrich, and McCauley.
Commissioner Bondar (Tele-Conference)

Members Excused: None

Public Present: 12

Public by Teleconference: 6

Zoom Participants: 2

The B.O.C approved the Agenda for **April 11, 2023**, as presented.

McCauley/Handrich 2023-094 a motion to approve the Agenda for **April 11, 2023**, as presented, with one addition to Financial.

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

Marsh/McCauley 2023-095 a motion to approve the Consent Calendar Items for **April 11, 2023**.

Item #1 Unofficial Minutes for **March 28, 2023**.

Item #2 Budget Amendment

- o **Trial Courts:** a request to add a new budget line (Circuit Trial Court Clerk/Central Filing 101.130.705.04) to the Trial Courts budget, as requested.

Item #3 General & Special Funds Budget Summary **March 2023**.

Item #4 Claims and Audit Docket for **April 11, 2023**, as received from the County Clerk’s Office. Total Claims & Audit is **\$86,736.15**.

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

Public Matters & Comments (Limited to three minutes per person)

Appointments:

1.) Mr. Jeremy Card, Card Surveying – Annual Remonumentation Contracts

McCauley/Handrich
2023-096 a motion to continue with the appointment of Jeremy Card, P.S. from J. Card Surveying, Rose City, MI, a professional surveyor, as the Oscoda County Representative, as required by the Michigan Remonumentation Statue.

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

Marsh/McCauley
2023-097 a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. William M. Kendall, Oscoda County Treasurer, to serve as the Oscoda County Remonumentation Grant Administrator, as required by the Michigan Remonumentation Statue.

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

Marsh/Handrich
2023-098 a motion to approve the 2023 Remonumentation Contracts for Rowe/Myers, Card Surveying and Herman, Huron Engineering & Surveying, Inc. for Remonumentation in Oscoda County, as they are presented, and authorize the B.O.C Chairman to sign.

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

McCauley/Marsh
2023-099 a motion to appoint the following Professional Surveyors, to sit on the Oscoda County Remonumentation Peer Review Group, Marvin Myers, P.S., Cole Sorenson, P.S., Mark Herman, P.S., Jeremy Card, P.S., Larry Beauregard, P.S., Dale Graff, P.S., Mark Jakubik, P.S. and Paul McClung, P.S. as recommended by the Oscoda County Remonumentation Grant Administrator.

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

2.) Ms. Amber Woehlert, Equalization Director, Annual 2023 Equalization Report, as required by PA135 of 1991.

McCauley/Handrich
2023-100 a motion to enter an Equalization Session, as required by PA 135 of 1991 at 10:10 a.m.

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

Marsh/Handrich
2023-101 a motion to adjourn the Equalization Session and return to the Regular Board Meeting at 10:25 a.m.

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

Handrich/McCauley
2023-102 a motion to accept the Oscoda County 2023 Equalization Report, with the total equalized value of **\$613,073,967** as prepared and received by the Oscoda County Equalization Director, Ms. Amber Woehlert, and authorize the Chairman and the County Clerk to sign, as requested.

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

Correspondence/Reports/Resolutions:

N/A

Unfinished Business/New Business:

- 1.) Sheriff Kevin Grace – Acknowledge resignation of Crossing Guard

Marsh/Handrich
2023-103 a motion to acknowledge the resignation from Mr. Timothy Peterson, Crossing Guard effective Monday, April 3, 2023.

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

- 2.) Sheriff Kevin Grace – Acknowledge filling part-time Crossing Guard Position

McCauley/Handrich
2023-104 a motion to acknowledge the re-hiring of Ms. Roxanne DeFlorio, as a part-time employee to fill the Crossing Guard position, with a hire date of Monday, April 10, 2023, and will be paid a wage of \$20.00 per day working Monday-Friday to cover Mio-AuSable Schools Crossing Guard duties.

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

Financial:

- 1) Ms. Brenna Kirkpatrick, Trial Courts – Circuit Trial Clerk/Central Filing Clerk Position

McCauley/Handrich
2023-105 a motion to acknowledge the hiring of Ms. Myrtle Ellis, as a full-time non-union employee to fill the position of Circuit Trial Clerk/Central Filing Clerk Position, with a hire date of Monday, April 17, 2023, working a standard 35 hours per week at a starting wage of \$15.64 per hour, and eligible for County benefits.

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

2) Ms. Brenna Kirkpatrick, Trial Courts – District Civil Clerk Position

Marsh/McCauley
2023-106 a motion to acknowledge the hiring of Ms. Tiffany Bugg, as a full-time non-union employee to fill the position of District Civil Clerk Position, with a hire date of Thursday, April 20, 2023, working a standard 35 hours per week at a starting wage of \$15.64 per hour, and eligible for County benefits.

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

3) Mr. Rod Marsh – Purchase of Vehicle for Animal Control

Marsh/Handrich
2023-107 a motion to authorize the purchase of a 2018 GMC Sierra 1500 from Nester Chevrolet in the amount of \$28,000.00 for the use of Animal Control Department, and authorize the Chair to sign.

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

Public Comments (Limited to three minutes per person):

Sheriff Kevin Grace:

- Take Back Drug Day – April 22, 2023
- There is a drop box located inside of the Sheriff Department building that is available for use 24/7 – 365 days per year.
- Reassigned duties in the absence of the Undersheriff, until that position is filled.

Committee Reports:

Commissioner McCauley:

- Attended Big Creek Township Meeting
 - Annual Spring Cleanup Day on June 10, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - County wide tire recycling on June 10, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - Electronics recycling in question.
 - Spoke with Mr. Nico Tucker at NEMCOG regarding grant opportunity.
- Road Commission Meeting
 - Mr. Sanderson from Garland was in attendance. He announced that there will be a road closure on 489, therefore there will be detours from Townline Rd. for approximately 3 weeks. Emergency vehicles will still be able to come through, all others will be detoured.

Commissioner Handrich:

- Working with the EDC Board on Revolving Loans to develop and streamline reporting.
- Attended Comins Township Meeting
 - No brining, too expensive. Use those funds to improve roads.
 - New Library Board Member; Ms. Denise Roker
 - Discussion on the Opposition to Camp Grayling Expansion

Commissioner Marsh:

- Expressed her appreciation to the Airport Managers for holding the Easter Egg Drop Event on Saturday, April 8, 2023. It was a great turnout, despite the weather.

Commissioner Varner:

- Attended NMRE Meeting in Gaylord, MI
- Attended Mental Health Meeting in West Branch, MI
- Meetings with Ms. LeeAnn Fischer, Housing
- Attended Ms. Audry Mitchell’s retirement luncheon
- Attended Mr. Edward Pokrzywnicki’s retirement luncheon
 - Read Resolution 2023-004 “Honoring Mr. Edward Pokrzywnicki, Undersheriff”

Adjournment:

Marsh/McCauley a motion to adjourn today’s meeting at 10:52 a.m.
2023-108

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

The B.O.C will hold their “Regular Meeting” at their Regular B.O.C Meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.** held in the **B.O.C Boardroom or join the meeting by Teleconference** by dialing 989-826-1163 (Pin#353).

Chuck Varner, Oscoda County
Board of Commissioners Chairman

Ann Galbraith, Oscoda County
Clerk & Register of Deeds