



COUNTY OF OSCODA

Board of Commissioners
Telephone (989) 826-1130
Fax Line (989) 826-1173

Oscoda County Government Center, 311 S. Morenci Ave, P.O. Box 399, Mio, MI 48647

Official Minutes March 22, 2022

A Regular Meeting of the Oscoda County Board of Commissioner's was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 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.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call of Members:

Members Present: Commissioners Yoder, Bondar and Marsh.

Members Excused: Commissioner Varner and Commissioner McCauley.

Public Present: 7

Public by Teleconference: 3

**Commissioner Yoder called today's "Public Meeting" to order at 10:00 a.m.; including those joining the meeting by teleconference. Commissioner Varner joined the meeting by teleconference.

**The B.O.C approved the Agenda for March 22, 2022, as presented.

Marsh/Bondar a motion to approve the agenda for March 22, 2022, today's B.O.C Regular **2022-076** Meeting, as presented.

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

**The B.O.C approved the Consent Calendar Items for March 22, 2022, as presented.

Item #1 Official Minutes for March 8, 2022 were approved as presented.

Item #2 Claims and Audit Docket for March 22, 2022, were approved as received from the County Clerk's Office. Total Claims & Audit **\$48,218.58**.

Bondar/Marsh a motion to approve the Consent Calendar Items for March 22, 2022, as **2022-077** presented.

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

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

**County Clerk & Register of Deeds, Ms. Ann Galbraith, informed the B.O.C that an old micro film reader (Eye Corn 3500 X-Ray Reader) will be donated to the Oscoda County Library; the B.O.C was in agreement.

Appointments:

**Mr. Brad Butcher, from the Sidock Group, Inc. that provides Engineer, Architect, Consultant and Project Manager Professional Services, presented a proposal to the B.O.C for consideration which included Phase I; Site Survey and a Programming and Schematic Design (Architectural & Civil Engineering) estimated at \$21,200.00. Commissioner Yoder stated a meeting was held with Mr. Quinn Ridley and Mr. Tim Miller, from the Gaylord Office, along with Sheriff Kevin Grace and Mr. Joe Breough, Maintenance Supervisor, as a preliminary step to move forward with the Sheriff Building Project. Commissioner Bondar asked if other firms were contacted to submit a quote for Phase I and if the County could use old drawings. Commissioner Yoder stated that he had reached out to other firms and did not receive any response. Commissioner Yoder stated that further review is needed before the B.O.C can move forward with Phase I; including the Building Inspector, Mr. Tim Whiting's, recommendation to use old drawings from a previous architect and contact other firms.

Correspondence/Reports/Resolutions:

**The B.O.C approved the "Proposed Millage Language" for the Oscoda County Sheriff Equipment, the Oscoda County Department of Veterans Affairs, the Oscoda County Emergency Medical Services Operation and the Oscoda County Emergency Medical Services Equipment; all reviewed and approved by the Bond Attorney, Ms. Laura Bassett, from Dickinson Wright, PLLC, in Bloomfield Hills. the "Proposed Millage Language" will to be placed on the August 2, 2022 State Primary Election Ballot.

Marsh/Bondar a motion to adopt **Resolution 2022-002**, as written, "Oscoda County Sheriff Equipment **2022-078** Millage Proposal FY 2022-2025".

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

Marsh/Bondar a motion to adopt **Resolution 2022-003**, as written, "Oscoda County Department of **2022-079** Veteran Affairs Millage Proposal FY 2022-2025".

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

Bondar/Marsh a motion to adopt **Resolution 2022-004**, as written, "Oscoda County Emergency Medical **2022-080** Service Operation Millage Proposal FY 2022-2025".

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

Bondar/Marsh a motion to adopt **Resolution 2022-005**, as written, "Oscoda County Emergency Medical **2022-081** Service Equipment Millage Proposal FY 2022-2025".

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

**The B.O.C acknowledge the correspondence, as received, from Ms. Carla Grezeszak, Oscoda County Interim Court Administrator.

Bondar/Marsh a motion to acknowledge the retirement of Ms. Peggy Wysocki, Trial Court Specialist, as **2022-082** of June 30, 2022.

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

Marsh/Bondar a motion to acknowledge the promotion of Ms. Sherry Fleszar, from Probate Register Clerk at \$16.24 to Trial Court Specialist at \$19.53 as of July 1, 2022.

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

Bondar/Marsh a motion to allow the Trial Courts to advertise, interview and hire a non-union Probate Register Clerk full-time, in accordance with the Trial Courts & County Personnel Policy's; eligible for County benefits, 35 hours per week at \$16.24 per hour; and so amend the budget.

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

**Commissioner Yoder asked the B.O.C to allow him to send an official letter to the Honorable Judge Morse-Bills, on behalf of the B.O.C, regarding the closure of the Annex Courthouse Building to clear up some confusion.

Bondar/Marsh a motion to send an official letter to the Honorable Judge Morse-Bills regarding closure of the Annex Courthouse Building.

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

**The B.O.C acknowledge the reappointment of Commissioner Varner to the ASVCMHA Board of Directors.

Bondar/Marsh a motion to re-appoint, Mr. Charles Varner, to the AuSable Valley Community Mental Health Authority Board of Directors, for a term beginning April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2025.

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

Unfinished Business/New Business:

**Commissioner Yoder and Commissioner Bondar stated they have completed the interviews for the B.O.C Executive Secretary Position and after careful consideration looking at the applicant's education, work experience and calling on references it is the recommendation of Commissioner Yoder and Commissioner Bondar to hire Ms. Rene Welser to fill the position.

Bondar/Marsh a motion to hire Rene Welser, to fill the B.O.C Executive Secretary position, per motion 2022-087 2022-020, part-time up to 28 hours, for training purposes as of March 22, 2022; going full-time, as of April 11, 2022.

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

**The Oscoda County Library is ready to move forward on becoming a District Library, however the B.O.C is waiting on the review of the District Library Agreement, from Attorney Ms. Elizabeth Kudla Saarela. Ms. Amy Knepp, Oscoda County Library Director, asked the B.O.C to be prepared to approve a couple of resolutions, that include appointing (3) three District Library Members, at the next B.O. C Meeting, scheduled for April 12, 2022; due to time restraints.

Financial:

**The B.O.C approved the request received from the EDC & Brownfield Board.

Marsh/Bondar a motion to reappoint Deb Coulon to the EDC & Brownfield Board term January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2028, remove resigned member Thomas Danhoff, as of February 19,

2022 and to acknowledge the advertisement on the County website under Public Notices and on the EDC & Brownfield page for members wanted.

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

Bondar/Marsh a motion to amend the EDC Budget (101-728-901.00) Promotion/Marketing to reflect the **2022-089** \$1,000.00 Consumer Powers donation, and so amend the budget.

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

**The B.O.C approved the extension for additional hours in the County Clerk & Register of Deeds Offices, as requested by Ms. Ann Galbraith.

Bondar/Marsh a motion to extend the end date of motion 2021-359 and authorize Diane Gusler, Clerk **2022-090** Administrative Assistant and Jenny Cronkright, Chief Deputy Register of Deeds, to work an additional 5 hours per week (up to 40) if needed, until June 1, 2022 and so amend the budget.

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

**Commissioner Yoder and Commissioner Varner participated in a meeting along with the County Labor Attorney, Sheriff Grace and POAM Representatives regarding a POAM Employee Grievance; a settlement was agreed upon.

Bondar/Marsh A motion to agree to settle grievance 22-57 with the POAM and rescind motion 2022-**2022-091** 032; holding Joey B. Degrammont not responsible."

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

Committee Reports:

Commissioner Bondar

**Reviewed the B.O.C Executive Secretary applicants; participated interviews and checked on references along with Commissioner Yoder.

**Participated in a couple of phone conference calls with MDOT & Mead & Hunt, Inc along with Commissioner Varner, Airport Manager, Mr. Dave Kauffman and Ms. Brenda Moore, B.O.C Executive Secretary.

**Landfill Board Meeting.

**Landfill Claims & Accounts.

**Attended MTA Board Meeting.

**Attended NEMCOG Board Meeting.

**Attended Big Creek Township Board Meeting.

Public Comment: (Limited to three minutes per person).

**Ms. Carla Grezeszak, Oscoda County Interim Court Administrator thanked the B.O.C. for acknowledge the employee changes and let the B.O.C it is the intent of the Trials Courts to hire a new Probate Register Clerk in May to allow time for training. Also, Informed the B.O.C the JAV System is currently being installed and should come under budget. Ms. Grezeszak will be addressing the B.O.C at their April 12, 2022 Meeting on other issues.

**Mr. Bob Hunter, EMS Director, announced the department is experiencing employee shortage and changes.

**County Treasurer, Bill Kendall, announced the County Auditor, Mr. James Anderson, will be here to start the 2021 Audit and asked that Department Heads be available.

**Commissioner Yoder thanked the audience for attending and those participating in today's meeting by teleconference and called for a motion to adjourn.

Marsh/Bondar a motion to adjourn today's meeting (11:10 a.m.).
2022-092

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

The B.O.C will hold their next Regular B.O.C Meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, April 12, 2022 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).

**Kyle Yoder, Oscoda County
Board of Commissioners Chairman**

**Ann Galbraith, Oscoda County
Clerk & Register of Deeds**