OSCEOLA COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2018

The Committee meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Chairman Emig.

Present: Commissioners Pam Wayne, Jill Halladay, Larry Emig, Roger Elkins, Jack Nehmer, Alan Tiedt and Mark Gregory.

Also present: Marcia Eising-Administrative Assistant from Commission on Aging, Susan Vander Pol-County Coordinator, Karen Bluhm-County Clerk, and other members of the public.

Motion by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Brief Public Comment: None

Employee/Board Comment: Commissioner Elkins asked about a meeting for contractors with our Building Inspector.

Moved by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Wayne to approve the minutes of March 6, 2018 as presented. Motion carried.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, seconded by Commissioner Wayne, to approve the claims of the County in the amount of $38,961.91. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Presentation from Michigan Association of Counties
Steve Currie, Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) Executive Director, shared information about MAC with Board members. He highlighted several programs offered to Counties through MAC. He then spoke about some of the legislative priorities for them in 2018. Discussion was held.

Appointment of Medical Examiner
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, and Chairman Emig spoke about meeting with Dr. deJong, DO as well as other members of County staff to discuss the proposed agreement with them for Medical Examiner services. Susan also explained the proposed agreement would be for a 90-day period until RFP’s can be obtained. At the end of the 90-day period an appointment would need to be made through January 31, 2019. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, seconded by Commissioner Wayne, to approve Joyce deJong, DO as the County’s Medical Examiner; Joseph Prahlow, MD, Rudolph Castellani, MD, Elizabeth Douglas MD, Amanda Fisher-Hubbard MD, and Brandy Shattuck MD, as the County’s Deputy Medical Examiners. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Contract for Services with WMED
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, advised Board members they need to approve the proposed 90-day contract with Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine (WMED) for Medical Examiner Services.

Recommended by Commissioner Wayne, seconded by Commissioner Tiedt, to approve the contract with Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine, for the period of April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.
Resignation of Dr. Paul Wagner/County Medical Examiner
Commissioner Wayne asked about the need to accept Dr. Wagner’s letter of resignation received by the Board. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to accept the resignation of Dr. Paul Wagner as Osceola County Medical Examiner and terminate contracted services effective at midnight on March 31, 2018. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Budget Amendments and Journal Register Report
Commissioner Tiedt reviewed the one budget amendment received by the Board.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, seconded by Commissioner Wayne, to approve the C.O.A. budget amendment and Treasurer’s March Journal Register Report for February postings as submitted. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

MMAP Agreement for Application Assistance
Marcia Eising, C.O.A. Administrative Assistant, asked Commissioners to approve the agreement with MMAP for reimbursement for eligible application assistance related to the Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA).

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, seconded by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the MMAP Agreement as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Wheelchair Van Purchase/C.O.A.
Marcia Eising, C.O.A. Administrative Assistant, reviewed the bids for the purchase of a new wheelchair van. She noted that one bid included many features not required in the RFP. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the bid from Transit Works in the amount of $35,495 for the 2018 Dodge Caravan for Commission on Aging from 273.120.989.000. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Appointment to Osceola County Parks Board
The Parks Commission has received two (2) applications for a position on their Board. Commissioner Gregory brought forward a recommendation from Parks to appoint Elmo Hoaglund.

Recommended by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Elkins, to appoint Elmo Hoaglund to the Park’s Commission. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Board liaison reports were given.

Extended Public Comment: None.

Moved by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory to adjourn at 10:49 a.m. Motion carried.

Karen J. Bluhm, County Clerk
Larry Emig, Chairman