OSCEOLA COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
APRIL 16, 2019

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

Present: Commissioners Jack Nehmer, Jill Halladay, Tim Michell, James Custer, Larry Emig, Roger Elkins and Mark Gregory.

Also present: Susan Vande; Pol-County Coordinator, Justin Halladay-Sheriff, Tracey Cochran- Payroll / Human Resource Specialist and several members of the public.

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

Brief Public Comment: Dave Kozminski, Evart, Michigan, spoke about Osceola County policies and procedures, concerns with the Commission on Aging Office and the millage coming up in 2020.

Sandra Sziliga, Evart, Michigan, spoke on the upcoming Taste of Osceola Event on May 14, 2019 at the Evart Fairgrounds.

Employee/Board Comment: None.

Moved by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve the minutes of April 2, 2019 as presented. Motion carried.

Recommended by Commissioner Halladay, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve the claims in the amount of $49,303.91 for the County. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

MSU Extension 2018 Annual Report
Shari Spoelman, MSU Extension District Director, spoke regarding the 2018 MSU Annual Report. She reviewed some of the highlights from 2018 which included serving over 2,000 youths in Osceola county. Ms. Spoelman also introduced members of her staff who provided the Board with brief descriptions of their positions within MSU Extension.

Shannon Lindquist, Social-Emotional Health Educator, spoke regarding her Mindfulness presentations at area schools.

Jacob Stieg, 4-H Program Coordinator, spoke regarding youth education, animal science and Project Red, which is in its 27th year, is scheduled for May 15th & 16th.

Renee Sanders, SNAP Program Coordinator, spoke regarding the education of the SNAP Program, working with Headstart and Market Fresh & Project Fresh.

Robin Eisenga, M.S.U.E. Department Secretary, spoke regarding her roll as the office assistant. Discussion was held.

Sheriff Deputy Wage
Justin Halladay, Sheriff, spoke to the Board to request that Road Deputy Trent Moeggenberg who was hired in 2018 be moved to the appropriate step within the union contract based on previous years of experience. Sheriff Halladay explained the reason for the delay in the request. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Custer, seconded by Commissioner Halladay to change the step rate of Deputy Trent Moeggenberg to step 4 based on his years of service effective today. Recommendation was unanimously supported.
Budget Amendments & Journal Report
Commissioner Halladay presented the budget amendment and journal report for approval.

Recommended by Commissioner Halladay, seconded by Commissioner Elkins to approve the budget amendments and Treasurer’s April Journal Register report for March adjustments as presented. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

C.O.A. Senior Holiday Luncheon
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, spoke to the Board to request permission to close the Evart C.O.A offices on December 11, 2019 for the holiday luncheon. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Custer to approve the closure of the Evart COA offices on December 11, 2019 for the holiday luncheon. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

C.O.A. Update of Transportation Policy and Volunteer Description
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, provided the Board with the updated Transportation Policy and Volunteer Description for their approval. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Michell, seconded by Commissioner Gregory to approve the updates to the Position Description & Guidelines Volunteer Transporters and Transportation Program Policy for Commission on Aging as presented and amended. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Closed Session
Moved by Commissioner Elkins, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve going into Closed Session regarding Pending Litigation and Attorney-Client Privilege Legal Opinion. Motion carried with seven (7) yes votes.

Open Session
Moved by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to close the Closed Session meeting at 12:30 p.m. Motion carried with seven (7) yes votes.

Approve Closed Session Minutes
Motion by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve the minutes from the Closed Session as presented. Motion carried with unanimous voice vote.

Extended Public Comment: None

Moved by Commissioner Emig, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to adjourn at 12:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Tracey Cochran, Deputy County Clerk

Jack Nehmer, Chairman