The Osceola County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order at 11:33 a.m. by Chairman Jack Nehmer in the Courthouse.

Roll call: Commissioners Tim Michell, Roger Elkins, Larry Emig, Mark Gregory, Jill Halladay, Jack Nehmer and James Custer were present. Absent: None.

Chairman Nehmer led everyone in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Communications: None.

Brief Public Comment: Alan Gingrich, Road Commissioner, spoke about how the Road Commission Board worked prior to members being elected.

Employee/Board Comment: None.

MOTION #1: Approve Board Agenda
Motion by Commissioner Emig, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried with a voice vote.

MOTION #2: Approve Board Minutes of August 21, 2019
Motion by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve the Board minutes of August 21, 2019 as presented. Motion carried with voice vote.

MOTION #3: Approval of Consent Agenda
Motion by Commissioner Elkins, seconded by Commissioner Michell, to accept the following Committee recommendations of September 4, 2019 meeting.

MOTION #3A: Accounts Payable Invoices
Approve the accounts payable invoices for claims for the County in the amount of $38,733.61 and recommend the several amounts scheduled therein be allowed, also that the Clerk of this Board be allowed to draw orders on the County Treasurer for the same

MOTION #3B: Budget Amendments and Cash Transfers
Approve the budget amendments and cash transfer as presented

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Cash transfer of $76.00 from 101 General Fund to 245 Public Improvement Fund.
Cash transfer of $3,690.00 from 298 Delinquent Tax Fund to 101 General Fund.
MOTION #3C: Purchase of Service Weapon/Sheriff’s Department
Approve Sheriff Halladay purchasing his weapon from the Sheriff Department at the replacement value of the weapon, and to establish the policy of allowing at the Sheriff’s discretion and in accordance with Sheriff Department development of a policy to allow future employees leaving the Sheriff Department to purchase their weapon at replacement cost.

MOTION #3D: 911 Authority Board-Sheriff Resignation and Reappointment
Approve the resignation of Sheriff Halladay from the 911 Authority Board and appoint incoming Sheriff Ed Williams to the 911 Authority Board.

MOTION #3E: USDA Grant/E.M.S.
Approve the acceptance of the USDA Grant for ambulance replacement as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign.

MOTION #3F: WMSRDC-Transfer of Ownership
Accept the transfer of ownership for equipment agreement with WMSRDC and authorize the Chairman to sign.

MOTION #3G: EMPG Grant/FY 2019
Approve the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) FY 2019 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

RESOLUTION 2019-0007
RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS OPPOSITION TO TERMINATION OF STTE CONTRACT WITH THE LAKESHORE REGIONAL ENTITY

Whereas, on June 28th the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) notified the Lakeshore Regional Entity (LRE), its member Community Mental Health organizations, and the general public regarding its intent to terminate the specialty Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan contract with the LRE effective September 30, 2019; and

Whereas, this proposal, by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), causes a great deal of unnecessary chaos and conflict for the over 250,000 Medicaid recipients within the seven counties in Lakeshore Regional Entity; and

Whereas, this proposal eliminates local public governance of the public behavioral health system—one of the foundations of Michigan’s nationally recognized behavioral health system for the past 50 years—and replaces it with a state-appointed advisory group; and

Whereas, this proposal does not get to the root cause of the fiscal distress of Lakeshore Regional Entity nor of the other Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHP’s) facing such distress—inefficient funding over a sustained period. Without adequate funding, as required by the Michigan Mental Health code and Michigan’s Medicaid Plan, the Lakeshore system and others who have been underfunded—regardless of the greater involvement of the state in the operation of the local public system—will be unable to pay providers and provide behavioral healthcare services to persons entitled to such services; and

Whereas, a better plan could be achieved sooner, simpler, and more directly without eliminating the local public control of the public behavioral healthcare system in this region. This plan would include, MDHHS joining Lakeshore and Beacon Health Options a three-way contract co-managing the benefit in the region; and
Whereas, a three-way contract maintains the momentum already achieved by the Lakeshore/Beacon partnership; maintains the local public governance of the public behavioral health system; and prevents the unnecessary chaos that the MDHHS proposal would create; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the County of Osceola requests that the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) do not terminate its contract with the Lakeshore Regional Entity, thereby ensuring respect for the law and the rich history of Michigan’s mental health system, which is clear in its intent to maintain a publicly governed mental health system.

Be It Further Resolved that copies of this resolution be provided to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Thomas Barrett, Representative Graham Filler, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Director Robert Gordon, Behavior Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration Deputy Director Dr. George Mellos, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

**MOTION #3H:**
Approve the appointment of Glenn Bluhm to the DHHS Board.

**MOTION #3I: Veterans/ Services Staff Overnight Travel**
Approve the overnight travel for conference and training for the Veterans’ Services staff for September 12-14, 2019.

Motion to approve the consent agenda recommendations from the Committee of the Whole meeting of September 4, 2019 carried with seven (7) yes votes.

**MOTION #4: Prepaid Invoices August 2019**
Motion by Commissioner Halladay, supported by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the prepaid cash disbursements for the County in the amount of $1,031,992.06 and recommend the several amounts scheduled therein be allowed, also that the Clerk of this Board be allowed to draw orders on the County Treasurer for the same. Motion carried with seven (7) yes votes

Liaison reports shared by Commissioners.

Board Comments: None.

Extended Public Comment: Alan Gingrich, Road Commission, spoke about a State Road Commission member directory and the information available within the publication.

Moved by Commissioner Emig, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to adjourn at 12:13 p.m. Motion carried.

Karen J. Bluhm, County Clerk

Jack Nehmer, Chairman