BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS’
TENTATIVE AGENDA
December 17, 2019
BOARD ROOM

11:00 a.m.  Call to Order
Roll Call
Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance
Communications
Brief Public Comment (3 minute limit)
Employee Comment
Approval of Agenda
Approval of Board & Public Hearing minutes of December 3, 2019

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Consent Agenda
Non-Consent Agenda

Board Comments
Extended Public Comment (6 minute limit)

PUBLIC COMMENT
The Board welcomes public comment. We appreciate your attendance and look forward to hearing any concerns you may have. We request that the following rules of procedure be followed:

At the beginning and at the end of each board meeting, there is time to receive public comment from the audience.

If you wish to address the Board, we ask that you stand, give your name and present your concern.

If you wish to speak while the Board is addressing a specific issue, you are asked to make arrangements ahead of time with the Board Chairperson. No comments or questions will be taken at any other time.

If you should require special assistance in order to attend the board meeting, please notify the County Clerk at (231) 832-3261 or the Board of Commissioner’s Coordinator at (231) 832-6196, twenty-four (24) hours before the posted meeting time for arrangements to be made.
The Osceola County Board of Commissioners Public Hearing on the Election of Osceola County Road Commissioners was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Jack Nehmer at the Courthouse.

Commissioners Halladay, Gregory, Emig, Nehmer, Michell and Custer were present. Commissioner Elkins absent.

Also present: Jody Waurzyniak-Executive Assistant, Therese Bechler-Chief Deputy Clerk, and several members of the public.

Commissioner Nehmer opened the floor to public comment on the issue.

Roy Kissinger, representing Rose Lake Township, feels the current system works perfectly well. He thinks it should be left the way it is.

Ivan Giese, previous County Commissioner, gave the Board an overview of how the current system was put in place. He feels the system is working smoothly.

Tom Fabus, Hersey Township, always found the Road Commission to work well with the Hersey Board when he was on the Board and a Supervisor for Hersey. He is in strong support of the current Road Commission process.

Dale Bailey lives on 1 Mile Road in Evart Township. He complained about how bad the roads were where he lives. He feels we need some new direction. He hopes the Board will think very seriously before making a decision.

Alan Gingrich, Road Commissioner, let the Board know that he has been to 16 townships. Gingrich stated 14 of those Townships want the Road Commission left alone. Gingrich also stated he has talked to many people who want this left as an elected position.

Commissioner Michell added in comments.

Larry Barden, retired Engineer and disabled veteran, spoke about the plowing of the roads. He is not happy with the way the roads are maintained.

Martin Nieman, Osceola Township Treasurer, explained their millage schedule referring to funding for the roads. He stated things probably would not change no matter if you elect or appoint.

Ivan Giese added some additional comments.

Alan Gingrich responded to some of the comments made by the public regarding the condition of the roads. Commissioner Michell asked for clarification of Mr. Gingrich if people should call him directly or just call the office. Mr. Gingrich wants people to call the office.

Randall Van Buren, Hartwick Township Supervisor, spoke about the budget being to low. He stated Hartwick wants to keep the elected officials.

Dale Bailey added that he attended the last two Township meetings and not one Road Commissioner spoke. He feels that it is time for a change. He hopes the Board will think very hard before making their decision.

Commissioner Custer questioned Mr. Gingrich about the money the Road Commission receives from the State of Michigan and how it is allocated.
Tom Fabus added further comments on how the money is spent in Hersey.

No additional comments made.

Public hearing adjourned at 10:17 a.m. by Chairman Nehmer.

Therese Bechler, Chief Deputy Clerk

Jack Nehmer, Chairman
The Osceola County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Chairman Jack Nehmer in the Courthouse.

Roll call: Commissioners Tim Michell, James Custer, Larry Emig, Jill Halladay, Mark Gregory and Jack Nehmer.

Absent: Commissioner Roger Elkins.

Commissioner Emig led everyone in prayer.

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

Communications: None.

Brief Public Comment: None.

Employee/Board Comment: None.

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

**MOTION #2: Approve Board Minutes of November 19, 2019**
Motion by Commissioner Emig, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve the Board minutes of November 19, 2019 as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**MOTION #3: Consent Agenda for December 3, 2019**
Moved by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Emig, to accept the following Committee recommendations of December 3, 2019:

**MOTION #3A: Account Payable Invoices**
Approve the accounts payable invoices for claims for the County in the amount of $53,957.48 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**
Approve the budget amendment as presented.

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MOTION #3C: Agreement with Keeping The Memory Alive LLC/C.O.A.
Approve the Agreement with Keeping the Memory Alive LLC as the Elvis’s tribute artist for Commission on Aging’s senior party as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign.

MOTION #3D: EMS Bad Debt Report for August through October 2019
Approve the EMS Bad Debt Report for August through October 2019 as presented.

MOTION #3E: Rose Lake Fishing Dock Purchase from NuCraft Metal Products
Approve the Rose Lake Park fishing dock purchase from NuCraft Metal Products for $5,013.17 as presented with funds coming from their capital equipment line item.

MOTION #3F: Standing Board Committees and Appropriate the 2020 Budget
Approve the continuation of the Standing Board committees and appropriate the 2020 budget until the first Board meeting on January 7, 2020.

Motion to approve the consent agenda from the Committee of the Whole meeting of December 3, 2019. Motion carried with six (6) yes votes. Commissioner Elkins absent.

MOTION #4: MSU Agreement for Extension Services 2020
Motion by Commissioner Emig, seconded by Commissioner Custer, to approve the Agreement for Extension Services with Michigan State University (MSU) on behalf of Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign. Motion carried with five (5) yes votes, one (1) no vote and Commissioner Elkins absent. Voting yes: Commissioner Halladay, Gregory, Nehmer, Custer and Emig. Voting no: Commissioner Michell.

MOTION #5: Prepaid Invoices November 2019
Motion by Commissioner Halladay, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the prepaid cash disbursements for the County in the amount of $862,968.84 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 six (6) yes votes. Commissioner Elkins absent.

Liaison reports shared by Commissioners.

Board Comments: None.

Extended Public Comment: None.

Moved by Commissioner Custer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to adjourn at 11:23 a.m. Motion carried.

Therese M. Bechler, Chief Deputy Clerk

Jack Nehmer, Chairman