OSCEOLA COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
August 4, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m. by Chairman Emig.


Also present: Jeremy Beebe-E.M.S. Director, Tyler Thompson-Prosecutor, Michelle Kuz-Animal Control Director, Susan Vander Pol-County Coordinator, Karen Bluhm-County Clerk, and a few members of the public.

Motion by Commissioner Nehmer, supported by Commissioner Elkins, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Brief Public Comment: None.
Employee Comment: None.

Moved by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Halladay, to approve the minutes of July 21, 2015. Motion carried.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the current claims of the County in the amount of $29,282.80. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Animal Control Policies
Michelle Kuz, Animal Control Director, asked that the Board approve a new form for Stock Claims. The form was presented to Commissioners at a prior meeting.

Recommended by Commissioner Nehmer, supported by Commissioner Halladay, to approve the Animal Control form for Stock Claims. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Discussion was then held regarding a Healthy Guideline Policy presented to Board members by Animal Control Director, Michelle Kuz.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the Animal Control policy “Guide to Definitions” as presented. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Michelle then updated Commissioners on the housing of some animals within the garage area as needed. Heating and cooling issues related to that building were also discussed.

Child Support Enforcement Grant
Tyler Thompson, Prosecuting Attorney, explained the Child Support Enforcement Grant and how the process works within his office. He reported that the program is entirely grant funded and is asking for the annual grant to be approved.

Recommended by Commissioner Nehmer, supported by Commissioner Wayne, to approve the Child Support Enforcement Grant and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.
Crime Victim Rights Contract Renewal
Prosecutor, Tyler Thompson, explained the victims advocate position within his department and noted this grant applies to that program. He noted the funding is divided between felonies and misdemeanors, but ultimately funds one (1) full-time employee.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the Crime Victim Rights Contract Renewal and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Northwest Quadrant Update
Jeremy Beebe, EMS Director, updated Board members on the progress at the Tustin base location. He reported the project is moving along on schedule and they are looking at an October completion.

E.M.S. Ambulance Purchase
Jeremy Beebe, E.M.S. Director, shared information regarding a 2011 demo ambulance with low mileage from Emergency Vehicles Plus in Holland, Michigan. He shared information on the current fleet, and explained to Board members why he would like to make this purchase. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the trade in of the 2003 International Ambulance, the purchase a 2011 Wheeled Coach Ambulance from Emergency Vehicles Plus in the amount of $97,345 with payment from the 210 Fund and authorize the Clerk to sign off on the title. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

E.M.S. Occupational Health Services
Jeremy Beebe, E.M.S. Director, shared information from Occupational Health Services along with some research information he has found on the advantages and disadvantages of doing back x-rays as a part of the pre-employment physical process. Director Beebe reminded Commissioners that they already have agility testing in place. Discussion followed.

Recommended by Commissioner Gregory, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to discontinue the requirement of a back x-ray and implement a comprehensive back evaluation as part of the pre-employment physical process for jobs requiring this evaluation. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Retiree Supplemental Health Care Plan
Karen Bluhm, County Clerk, shared information from 44North regarding an insurance policy for Medicare eligible retirees from The Hartford. Karen spoke about why 44North is recommending the County sponsor this group insurance for retirees, even though there is no cost to the County. She also explained how retirees are currently allowed to participate in the County's current health care plan at their own expense. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Elkins, supported by Commissioner Tiedt, to offer County retirees the option to take the County's health insurance plan at 100% employee paid until Medicare age eligible, and after Medicare age eligible the supplemental health insurance plan offered at 100% employee paid. Recommendation was unanimously supported.
Treasurer Accepting Payments Using Point & Pay Online
County Treasurer, Lori Leudeman, explained the online payment process for paying property taxes. After some research she is recommending the County use Point & Pay as our Vendor for these services. A brief discussion followed.

Recommended by Commissioner Wayne, supported by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the agreement for accepting payments using Point & Pay Online for the Treasurer’s office and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

2016 County Budget
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, said this topic will be on committee agenda until the 2016 budget is adopted by the Board. Updates and ideas for the 2016 budget may be addressed at this time on each agenda.

Budget Amendments & Cash Transfer
Commissioner Tiedt reviewed the budget amendments along with a cash transfer.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Wayne, to approve the budget amendments and cash transfer as presented. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Sheriff Office Renovation & Addition
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, updated Board members on the progress of renovations at the Sheriff’s Department.

Hager Consulting LLC Contract
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, asked for the Board to approve the Third Party Administrator Contract with Hager Consulting LLC for the administration of the Community Development Block Grant.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the contract with Hager Consulting LLC for administration of the Community Development Block Grant and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

F.O.C. Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement/Contract
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, explained the F.O.C. Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement before the Board for approval. She noted it is just like the contract previously presented by the Prosecutor, only this one applies to the Friend of the Court. It is an annual contract.

Recommended by Commissioner Gregory, supported by Commissioner Halladay, to approve the Friend of the Court Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement/Contract and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Appointment to Mid-State Health Network SUDOPB
Chairman Emig advised Board members that his appointment on the newly formed Mid-State Health Network (SUDOPB) formerly NEMSES group is expiring and asked to be re-appointed for a three (3) year term.
Recommended by Commissioner Nehmer, supported by Commissioner Wayne, to approve the appointment of Larry Emig to the Mid-State Health Network SUDOPB for a three-year term expiring 08/31/18. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Employee/Board Comments:  None.

Extended Public Comment: None.

Moved by Commissioner Nehmer, supported by Commissioner Gregory, to adjourn at 10:29 a.m.

Karen Bluhm, County Clerk  Larry Emig, Chairman