OSCEOLA COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
September 15, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m. by Chairman Emig.


Also present: Rosie McKinstry-Equalization Director, Susan Vander Pol-County Coordinator, Karen Bluhm-County Clerk, and a few members of the public.

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

Brief Public Comment: None.

Employee Comment: Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, made a statement on behalf of Russ Wayne, Jail Administrator, who was unable to attend at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Elkins, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the minutes of September 1, 2015 and September 9, 2015 as presented. Motion carried.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the current claims of the County in the amount of $49,562.01. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Pine River Schools Reciprocal Use and Improvement Agreement
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, updated the Board on the parking lot issues at the Tustin Meal Site. She spoke about working with the Pine River Schools and the agreement that has been reached to remedy the problem. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Gregory, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the Reciprocal Use and Improvement Agreement with the Pine River Schools pending the letting of bids and filling in the amounts due for the payment shares in accordance with the agreement sections number 3 and 4. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Discuss Equalization Director's Salary
Rosie McKinstry, Equalization Director, spoke to the Board about the placement of her position in the Wage and Classification study recently completed and the comparables for the same position back to years 2000 and 2008. She also spoke about the competency level as shown in the new study and feels her position has not been placed correctly in the new study results. She spoke about her work history in the job and the certification requirements. Discussion was held.
2016 County Budget Update
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, reported the budget work is progressing.

Sheriff Office Renovation & Addition
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, advised the addition is 99% complete. Renovations in the back part of the department are now moving forward.

E.M.S. Northwest Quadrant/Tustin Station
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, reported the project is moving forward.

Budget Amendments and August Journal Entry Report
Commissioner Tiedt reviewed the budget amendment.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Elkins, to approve the budget amendments and the August Journal Entry report as presented. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Proposed Relocation of AeroMed Helicopter
Chairman Emig spoke about a recent decision by Spectrum Health to relocate the AeroMed helicopter from Big Rapids to Traverse City. Discussion was held regarding the impact for services for people within Osceola County.

Recommended by Commissioner Wayne, supported by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve the Resolution Requesting Spectrum to Reconsider the Relocation of the AeroMed Helicopter. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Audit and Janitorial Contracts
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, asked for direction regarding how to proceed with the audit and janitorial contracts. Discussion was held on whether to do RFP’s or ask the current providers for a one-year extension of their current contracts. Commissioners requested Susan contact each of the current vendors regarding a possible extension.

Child Care Fund Budget
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, spoke on behalf of Kaye Frederick who was not present. She reported that she was unaware of any significant changes from the previous year's budget.

Recommended by Commissioner Elkins, supported by Commissioner Halladay, to approve the 2015/2016 Child Care Fund Budget and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.
C.O.A. AAWM 2015/2016 Budget Contracts
Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, spoke on behalf of Scott Schryer who was not present.

Recommended by Commissioner Tiedt, supported by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the Area Agency on Aging FY 2016 OAA contract amendment and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Employee/Board Comments: Chairman Emig advised the Reed City Library met yesterday to discuss their future plans.

Kaye Frederick, Probate/Family Court Administrator, arrived at 10:32 a.m. and spoke about changes coming from the State regarding their programs.

Extended public comment: None.

Moved by Commissioner Wayne, supported by Commissioner Nehmer to adjourn at 10:48 a.m. Motion carried.

Karen J. Bluhm, County Clerk

Larry Emig, Chairman