

November 6, 2013

A Special meeting of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners was held at the Gaylord Regional Airport, 1100 Aero Drive, Gaylord, MI.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Olsen.

Roll call:

Present: Backenstose, Beachnau, Borton, Brown, Johnson, LaBouef, Liss, Olsen, Sumerix

New Business:

A. Homeland Security Grant Loan

Burt informed the Committee that the County is eligible for approximately \$28,000 in funding for equipment through the Homeland Security Grant Program, with no required match. Funds must be spent by the County and then reimbursed by the grant. Plans call for ordering bullet-proof vests and an IR camera, and then using the reimbursed funds to buy further equipment.

Motion: Move to advance \$15,000 from the 9-1-1 Services Fund (Fund 261) to the Homeland Security Grant Fund (Fund 262) at zero interest to be repaid by the close of the FY 2011 and FY 2012 grant cycles to be used to buy equipment which will be reimbursed through Grant Management funds. Motion approved unanimously.

B. Financial Update

John Burt reviewed various financial information with the Board and updated the Commissioners on the 2014 General Fund budget status. The Board directed Burt to have the required notice for the 2014 Budgets posted in the newspaper.

C. Benefits/Health Care Update

Trisha Adam updated the Board on the history of benefits and wages for County employees for the last ten years along with discussion potential future changes with health care.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m. at the call of the Chair.

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Lee Olsen, Chairman

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John Burt, Deputy Clerk