

May 13, 2014

The Regular meeting of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building at 225 West Main Street, Room 100. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Lee Olsen. Invocation by Commissioner Ken Borton, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Rachel Frisch.

Roll call:

Present: Tammy LaBouef, Paul Beachnau, Paul Liss, Lee Olsen, Erma Backenstose, Richard Sumerix, Doug Johnson, Ken Borton, Bruce Brown.

Motion by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve the regular minutes of April 22, 2014 with attachments. Motion to amend above motion by Commissioner Paul Liss to correct the minutes to read Motion by Commissioner Paul Liss to approve the MERS Health Care Savings Plan Agreement. Vote on amendment-Unanimous. Vote on amended motion- Unanimous. Motion carried as amended.

Consent Agenda:

Motion to approve the Airport Advisory Committee appointment of Lisa McComb with the term to expire on December 31, 2015. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion to award Bid 2014-12 to Jim Wernig in the amount of \$22,900 along with any associated budget amendments for the Building Department Vehicle. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Administrator's Report:

John Burt reported on the Community Center floor; Department tours scheduled 6-5-14 at 9:00 a.m.; NEMCOG bid to update County Master Plan; Recycling; Sheriff office space.

Special Presentations:

Scot Whitcomb reported on the DNR Land acquisition.

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, to support the DNR acquisition of the Schmid-Griffin Parcel in Charlton Township within the Pigeon River Country State Forest. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

City Liaison, Township and Village Representatives- No reports.

Correspondence: Email from Paul Sopsich.

New Business:

Motion by Commissioner Erma Backenstose, to approve the April 29, 2014 Warrant in the amount of \$170,627.77 as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Tammy LaBouef, to approve the May 6, 2014, Warrant in the amount of \$92,155.72 as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Richard Sumerix, to approve the May 13, 2014, Warrant in the amount of \$304,040.41 as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Paul Liss, to adopt resolution OCR 14-17 recognizing Police Memorial Week.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Tammy LaBouef, Paul Beachnau, Paul Liss, Lee Olsen, Erma Backenstose, Richard Sumerix, Doug Johnson, Ken Borton, Bruce Brown.

Nays: None.

Motion carried/Resolution adopted. (see attached)

Public Comment:

Chairman Lee Olsen opened up the meeting for public comment.

Board Remarks:

Commissioner Rich Sumerix reported on the Bagley Township meeting.

Commissioner Bruce Brown had no report.

Commissioner Paul Liss had no report.

Commissioner Erma Backenstose had no report.

Commissioner Paul Beachnau reported on the Community luncheon 5-13-14; business after hours 5-14-14 at Marsh Ridge; Leadership program graduation 6-3-14; Chamber of Commerce open house 5-20-14.

Commissioner Tammy LaBouef reported on the City council meeting.

Commissioner Doug Johnson reported on the Health Department; Parks and recreation.

Commissioner Ken Borton reported on the MAC Environmental Committee meeting; MAC Transportation meeting.

Chairman Lee Olsen reported budget and finance Committee meeting next week; NEMSAS; June 10, 2014 meeting is being moved to the multipurpose room for a public hearing on EMS and Road Commission millage request.

Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Lee Olsen, Chairman

Susan I. DeFeyter, Otsego County Clerk

OCR 14-17
Proclaiming National Police Week & Police Memorial Day
OTSEGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 13, 2014

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States of America has designated the week of May 11th through May 17th, 2014 to be dedicated as "NATIONAL POLICE WEEK" and May 15th of each year to be "NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY"; and

WHEREAS, The members of law enforcement agencies protect life and property throughout the County of Otsego and play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, The County of Otsego desires to honor the valor, service and dedication of its own Sheriff Deputies, especially those who have given their lives in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, The County of Otsego further desires to recognize and appreciate the duties, hazards, and sacrifices of law enforcement personnel; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners calls upon the citizens of Otsego County to take a moment on May 15th, to remember those fallen officers who made the ultimate sacrifice for their fellow man; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that we proclaim the week of May 11th to May 17th to be "POLICE WEEK" and call upon all our citizens in this community to especially honor and show our sincere appreciation for the Sheriff Deputies of this County by deed, remark and attitude; and be it further

RESOLVED that the flags be flown at half-staff on May 15th in honor of Deputy Carl L. Darling, Jr., who gave his life in the line of duty on May 3, 1986; Sergeant Larry C. Washburn, who died while on duty on May 15, 1994 and Deputy John K. Gunsell, who died in the line of duty on September 12, 2004.