

September 26, 2006

The Regular meeting of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners was held in the Multi-Purpose Room of the J. Richard Yuill Alpine Center. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Beachnau. Invocation by Commissioner Bates, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Johnson.

Roll call:

Present: Backenstose, Bates, Beachnau, Liss, Olsen, Glasser, Johnson, Hyde, Bentz.

Chairman Beachnau welcomes James Martinez from the Herald Times.

The agenda was amended to remove from the consent agenda item c) DHS Board reappointment and place it under new business as item h); Phil Alexander added under Special presentations as item b); Clerical Union agreement moved to the closed session; Animal Control vehicle purchase was removed; Planning Commission appointment was added under new business as item e); Calendar issues added as item f) under new business; Library Board appointment item g) under new business.

The regular meeting of September 12, 2006 minutes with attachments were approved as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Bates, to enter into closed session, at the appropriate time, under provisions of Act 267 of 1976 under section 8(c), discussion of collective bargaining negotiations.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Unanimous.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

Constance Blotske was reappointed to the Board of Canvassers beginning September 26, 2006 to September 25, 2007 via unanimous consent.

Josephine Lilak was reappointed to the Jury Board beginning November 1, 2006 to October 31, 2008 via unanimous consent.

Paul L. Liss was reappointed to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority beginning August 1, 2006 to July 31, 2009 via unanimous consent.

OCR-06-41 Mortgage discharge James L. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Unanimous.

Nays: None.

Resolution adopted. (see attached)

Administrator's report:

John Burt reported that computer service bids are due Monday; County picnic; Customer service training opportunities.

Motion by Commissioner Bentz, to waive 50% of the fee for the building permit application to the Otsego County Building Department by the Gaylord Soccer League. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Commissioner Glasser requests a policy be adopted with regards to waiving fees. Matter referred to the Finance Committee.

Correspondence:

The chairman received the S.A.N.E Board meeting agenda and minutes.

Special Presentations:

Rachel Frisch presented to the Board the monthly finance report.

Phil Alexander presented to the Board, a homelessness update.

New Business:

Motion by Commissioner Glasser, to approve Warrant B2006-38 in the amount of \$148,493.19 with prepaids in the amount of \$158,113.85 as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Johnson, to approve Warrant B2006-39 in the amount of \$197,855.94 as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hyde, to adopt the Otsego County Building Department Tent or Canopy permit as presented. A motion to amend above motion by Hyde, to change item 1-a line 3 change the word may to is. Vote on amendment-Unanimous, Vote on amended motion-Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Liss, to pay 968 hours of sick time and 344 hours of vacation time to Keith Huff at his 2006 hourly rate. A motion to amend above motion by Liss, funds to come from fund #212. Vote on amendment-Unanimous, Vote on amended motion-Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Bates, to allow unspecified donations to Animal Control be designated for the neutering of privately owned animals, with the use to be at the discretion of the Animal Control Director. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Olsen, to appoint Patricia Harkness to the Otsego County Planning Commission effective January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Olsen, to change the November 14, 2006 meeting to November 9, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Backenstose, to appoint Mary Fox to fill the Library Board position vacated by Tami Phillips with the term ending August 31, 2011. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

June Jans was reappointed to the DHS Board via unanimous consent.

Public Comment:

Joe Edwartowski discussed the calendar issues.

Mary Sanders commented on the length of service various people serving on various boards.

Board Remarks:

Commissioner Backenstose: Attended MTA meeting.  
Invited to honor DHS volunteers in Grayling.  
Soil Conservation trip.

Commissioner Olsen: Soil Conservation trip.

Commissioner Hyde: Commented on consistency on appointments.  
Airport update.  
Cross street closure.

Commissioner Bentz: Cross street closure.

Commissioner Bates: GASB 34 effects article.  
Attended City meeting.

Commissioner Glasser: Kolke Creek issues.  
Pigeon River advisory council.  
Northeast Consortium meeting.

Commissioner Beachnau: Livingston Township meeting.

Entered into closed session at 10:54 a.m.

Returned to open session at 11:27 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Olsen, to approve the Teamsters 214, Otsego Clerical Contract from January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008.

Ayes: Backenstose, Bates, Beachnau, Olsen, Johnson, Hyde.

Nays: Liss, Glasser, Bentz.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m. at the call of the Chair.

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Paul M. Beachnau, Chairman

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Susan I. DeFeyter, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION NO. OCR 06-41**  
**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION**  
OTSEGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006

**WHEREAS**, the Otsego County Board of Commissioners is the owner of a property located at 1732 Five Lakes Rd Gaylord, Michigan 49735 and has a mortgage recorded in Liber 816, Pages 458-465, Loan Modifications in Liber 826, Pages 673-674 and Liber 821, Pages 93-94 in the name of James L. Smith, Jr., a single man, a/k/a James L. Smith and

**WHEREAS**, said Mortgage has been paid in full; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that Otsego County hereby issue a DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE to, James L. Smith Jr., a single man, a/k/a James L. Smith; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign said document.