

October 27, 2009

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 Ken Glasser. Invocation by Commissioner Paul Beachnau, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Clark Bates.

Roll call:

Present: Erma Backenstose, Clark Bates, Paul Beachnau, Ken Glasser, Robert Harkness, Mike Hyde, Paul Liss.

Excused: Bruce Brown, Doug Johnson.

Motion by Commissioner Clark Bates, to approve the regular minutes of October 13, 2009 with attachments. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Chester Township Land Use Agreement was removed from the consent agenda and added under new business as item b).

Consent Calendar:

Motion to approve the appointment of Sam Candela to the Otsego Board of Canvassers with the term to expire 10-20-2013. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Parks and Recreation budget amendment as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried. (see attached)

Special Presentation:

Bethany Prykucki from the MSU Extension addressed the Board.

Chairman Ken Glasser appointed Commissioner Mike Hyde as the County Commissioner representative to the MSUE.

Motion by Commissioner Clark Bates, to adopt OCR-09-29, opposing a veto of MSUE and MAES funding from the State as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Erma Backenstose, Clark Bates, Paul Beachnau, Ken Glasser, Robert Harkness, Mike Hyde, Paul Liss.

Nays: None.

Excused: Bruce Brown, Doug Johnson.

Motion carried/Resolution adopted. (see attached)

Correspondence:

Chairman Glasser received a letter from the EPA; Letter from the DEQ; Request from the Michigan Bar Association.

Administrator John Burt received a request to open the Cross Street entrance for the immunization clinic that is being held on Friday, October 30, 2009.

Motion by Commissioner Robert Harkness, to open the gate for a day, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on October 30, 2009 on Cross Street to aid the flu shot clinic at the discretion of the Sheriff's office.

Ayes: Robert Harkness, Erma Backenstose.

Nays: Clark Bates, Paul Beachnau, Ken Glasser, Mike Hyde, Paul Liss.

Excused: Bruce Brown, Doug Johnson.

Motion failed.

Motion by Commissioner Paul Beachnau, to eliminate the payment in lieu of health insurance option for elected officials at the time of each office's election, beginning January 1, 2011.

Motion by Commissioner Harkness, to postpone the motion regarding elected officials health care buyout to the December 15, 2009 meeting.

Ayes: Erma Backenstose, Paul Beachnau, Ken Glasser, Robert Harkness, Mike Hyde, Paul Liss.

Nays: Clark Bates.

Excused: Bruce Brown, Doug Johnson.

Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve the October 20, 2009 Warrant in the amount of \$69,935.06 as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Robert Harkness, to approve the October 27, 2009 Warrant in the amount of \$103,606.13 as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

~~Motion to approve the Chester Township land use agreement as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried. (see attached)~~

Motion by Commissioner Erma Backenstose, to authorize the Administrator to sign the Township Land Use Zoning Agreements once the agreements have been signed by all of the Townships.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Board Remarks:

Commissioner Paul Liss: Mental Health

Commissioner Paul Beachnau: Recycling Committee meeting.
Budget meeting.

Commissioner Mike Hyde: Animal Control Sub committee meeting.

Commissioner Robert Harkness: Substance abuse meeting.

Commissioner Erma Backenstose: Library.

Commissioner Clark Bates: City Council Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m. at the call of the Chair.

Kenneth R. Glasser, Chairman

Susan I. DeFeyter, Otsego County Clerk