

September 28, 2017

The regular meeting of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners was held at the County Building at 225 West Main Street, Room 100, Gaylord, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Ken Borton. Invocation by Commissioner Ken Glasser, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Finance Director, Tim Hanley.

Roll Call:

Present: Julie Powers, Paul Beachnau, Paul Liss, Duane Switalski, Rob Pallarito, Ken Glasser, Doug Johnson, Ken Borton, Bruce Brown.

Commissioner Julie Powers requested FY2018 Bus System Budget be removed from the consent agenda and placed under new business.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve the Regular minutes of September 12, 2017 with attachments as presented. Ayes: Unanimous.

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to adopt OCR 17-21 Mortgage Discharge for Robert E. Howe.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Julie Powers, Paul Beachnau, Paul Liss, Duane Switalski, Rob Pallarito, Ken Glasser, Doug Johnson, Ken Borton, Bruce Brown.

Nays: None.

Motion carried/Resolution adopted. (see attached)

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to adopt OCR 17-22 Mortgage Discharge for 111 Michigan, LLC.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Julie Powers, Paul Beachnau, Paul Liss, Duane Switalski, Rob Pallarito, Ken Glasser, Doug Johnson, Ken Borton, Bruce Brown.

Nays: None.

Motion carried/Resolution adopted. (see attached)

Motion to adopt OCR 17-23, Opposition to passage/enactment of SB 386 of 2017. **Resolution was withdrawn.**

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to adopt OCR-17-24 Opposition to reduction/elimination of federal funding to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Julie Powers, Paul Beachnau, Paul Liss, Duane Switalski, Rob Pallarito, Ken Glasser, Doug Johnson, Ken Borton, Bruce Brown.

Nays: None.

Motion carried/Resolution adopted. (see attached)

Budget & Finance Committee Recommendations:

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve FY2018 Otsego County Commission on Aging Budget. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried. (see attached)

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve FY2017 Probate Court budget amendment. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried. (see attached)

Special Presentations:

Employee recognition of Tonya Caverly by Trisha Adam for her 20 years of service to the County.

Kerry Wieber from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, reported on the grant application for acquisition of Storey Lake property.

Motion by Commissioner Duane Switalski, seconded by Commissioner Glasser, to approve OCR 17-25 Support of DNR Grant Application for Acquisition of Storey Lake Property.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Julie Powers, Paul Beachnau, Ken Glasser, Doug Johnson, Ken Borton.

Nays: Paul Liss, Duane Switalski, Rob Pallarito, Bruce Brown.

Motion carried/Resolution adopted. (see attached)

Administrator's Report:

Rachel Frisch reported on the Groen Trust Fund Board meeting, moving forward with the remaining 25 acres.

Department Head Report:

Lisa Anderson, District Coordinator from the Michigan State University Extension, discussed the annual report; reported on the Michigan Cottage Food Law, citizens to use their own kitchen as an unlicensed facility to produce a product to sell. Devora Davis reported on 8 clubs; teens in leadership 12-19 year old formed team council; Equestrian Program continues to grow; Great success at the fair; 4-H summer camp; new archery program formed; Father Daughter dance had over 800 fathers, stepfathers and grandfathers that participated at treetops. Nicholas Pung reported on the head start program; food safety; cooking classes. Denise Aungst reported on the backpack program, partner with food bank of Eastern Michigan, 120 children in Otsego County receive food for the weekends; Working with Vanderbilt School on bullying.

Committee Reports:

Motion by Commissioner Ken Glasser, seconded by Commissioner Rob Pallarito, to approve the sale of the 2012 Dodge Charger patrol car to Bill Marsh for \$12,000. The dealership offered a special buy-back offer, due to the 2012 Charger being a faulty model. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

City Liaison, Township, Village Representative: None.

Correspondence:

Tim Hanley presented the August 2017 Financial Reports.

New Business:

Motion by Commissioner Ken Glasser, Seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve the FY2018 Bus System Budget. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve the September 19, 2017 Warrant in the total amount of \$170,483.89. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Julie Powers, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve the September 22, 2017 Warrant in the total amount of \$817.55. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Ken Glasser, seconded by Commissioner Rob Pallarito, to approve the September 28, 2017 Warrant in the amount of \$208,454.89. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Chairman Ken Borton opened up the meeting for public comment.

Commissioner Paul Beachnau excused at 10:45 a.m.

Board Remarks:

Commissioner Julie Powers attended the City Council meeting, tabling any action on the dispensaries.

Commissioner Duane Switalski had no report.

Commissioner Rob Pallarito reported on NEMCOG, joint land use study still ongoing second public hearing set for October 10, 2017 from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Camp Grayling, Building #3; attended the City Council meeting.

Commissioner Ken Glasser had no report.

Commissioner Bruce Brown had no report.

Commissioner Paul Liss attended the Soil Conservation fall tour.

Commissioner Doug Johnson attended the Soil Conservation fall tour.

Commissioner Ken Borton attended the MAC Conference, elected 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President.

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

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Kenneth C. Borton, Chairman

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Susan I. DeFeyer, Otsego County Clerk

**RESOLUTION NO. OCR 17-21**  
**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION**  
OTSEGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
September 28, 2017

**WHEREAS**, the Otsego County Board of Commissioners is the owner of a property located at 4125 Kokozen Avenue, Gaylord, Michigan 49735 and has a mortgage recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Otsego County Michigan, in Liber 1217, Pages 144-157 and two Modifications in Liber 1221, Pages 494-495 and Liber 1223, Pages 573-574 in the name Robert E. Howe, a single man and

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

**RESOLVED**, that Otsego County hereby issues a DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE to Robert E. Howe, a single man and be it further

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

**RESOLUTION NO. OCR 17-22**  
**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION**  
OTSEGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
September 28, 2017

**WHEREAS**, the Otsego County Board of Commissioners is the owner of a property located at 111 Michigan Avenue, Gaylord, Michigan 49735 and has a mortgage recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Otsego County Michigan, in Liber 1300, Pages 453-456 by and between 111 Michigan, LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability Company, and

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

**RESOLVED**, that Otsego County hereby issues a DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE to by and between 111 Michigan, LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability Company, and be it further

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

**RESOLUTION NO. OCR 17-24**

**Opposition to the Reduction or Elimination of Federal Funding for the  
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative**

OTSEGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 28, 2017

**WHEREAS**, the Great Lakes are a critical resource for our nation, supporting the economy and a way of life in Michigan and the other seven states within the Great Lakes region. The Great Lakes hold 20 percent of the world's surface freshwater and 90 percent of the United States' surface freshwater. This globally significant freshwater resource provides drinking water for more than 30 million people and directly supports 1.5 million jobs, generating \$62 billion in wages; and

**WHEREAS**, the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative ("GLRI") provides essential funding to restore and protect the Great Lakes. This funding has supported long overdue efforts to clean up toxic pollution, reduce runoff from cities and farms, combat invasive species, and restore fish and wildlife habitat. Since 2010, the federal government has partnered with public and private entities and invested more than \$2 billion in over 2,900 projects throughout the region. Over its first six years, the GLRI has provided more than \$425 million for more than 500 projects in Michigan alone. The Brookings Institution has estimated that every dollar invested in the Great Lakes produces two dollars in long-term economic benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, GLRI projects are making a significant difference. They have restored more than 150,000 acres of fish and wildlife habitat; opened up fish access to more than 3,400 miles of rivers; helped implement conservation programs on more than 1 million acres of farmland; and accelerated the cleanup of toxic hotspots. In Michigan, GLRI funding has been instrumental in removing contaminated sediments from Muskegon Lake, the River Raisin, and the St. Mary's River; in restoring habitat along the St. Clair River, Cass River, Boardman River, and the Keweenaw Peninsula; and in the delisting of White Lake in Muskegon County and Deer Lake in the Upper Peninsula as areas of concern; and

**WHEREAS**, while a significant investment, past GLRI funding represents only a small portion of the amount needed to restore and protect the Great Lakes. Toxic algal blooms, beach closings, fish consumption advisories, and the presence of contaminated sediments continue to limit the recreational and commercial use of the Great Lakes; and

**WHEREAS**, any cuts to GLRI funding would jeopardize the momentum from over a decade of unprecedented regional cooperation. Draft federal budgets have proposed a 97 percent reduction in GLRI funding. These cuts would be a short-sighted, short-term cost-saving measure with long-term implications. Restoration efforts will only become more expensive and more difficult if they are not addressed in the coming years; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that the Board of Commissioners of Otsego County, Michigan opposes slashing federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, and be it further

**RESOLVED,** that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation as well as the other 82 Michigan counties.

## Otsego County Commission on Aging

2017-2018 OCCOA BUDGET		
REVENUE:		% of Total Revenue
	NEMCSA FEDERAL GRANT INCOME	150,935.00 8%
	NEMCSA STATE GRANT INCOME	75,505.00 4%
	DONATION INCOME	142,886.00 7%
	TOBACCO/WAIVER/OTHER GRANTS	72,250.00 4%
	PRIVATE PAY-OTSEGO HAUS	27,500.00 1%
	TAX RECEIPTS INCOME	1,230,000.00 64%
	CASH MATCH FOR GRANTS	21,628.00 1%
	INTEREST INCOME	1,000.00 0%
	ACTIVITIES/SPECIAL EVENTS INCOME	36,500.00 2%
	CONTRACTED INCOME	74,800.00 4%
	TRANSFER FROM FUND EQUITY	98,900.00 5%
	<b>BUDGETED TOTAL INCOME:</b>	<b>\$1,931,904.00 100%</b>
EXPENSES:		
	SALARY EXPENSES	1,130,000.00
	FRINGE BENEFITS	112,982.00
	RSVP FUNDING EXPENSE	42,000.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	13,979.00
	CASUAL LABOR	0.00
	BOARD EXPENSE	500.00
	RENTS	48,345.00
	RAW FOODS	241,800.00
	EMPLOYEE LUNCH ACCOUNT EXPENSE	1,800.00
	UTILITIES-OTSEGO HAUS	6,500.00
	DUES EXPENSE	3,308.00
	POSTAGE EXPENSE	3,700.00
	SUPPLIES EXPENSE	26,277.00
	KITCHEN SUPPLIES	8,750.00
	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	14,304.00
	SERVICE CONTRACTS/GRANTS	4,120.00
	HOME MEAL DELIVERY EXPENSE	64,200.00
	TRANSPORTATION EXP-OTSEGO HAUS	550.00
	CLEANING EXPENSE	3,219.00
	STAFF TRAVEL EXPENSE	38,045.00
	REPAIR/MAINT EXPENSE	3,650.00
	GARBAGE REMOVAL EXPENSE	2,000.00
	VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS EXPENSE	6,500.00
	EQUIPMENT LEASING-GENERAL OPER	10,440.00
	EQUIPMENT PURCHASE EXPENSE	1,500.00
	COMPUTER EXP-GENERAL OPER	6,000.00
	PRIME TIMES ADVERTISING EXPENSE	9,100.00
	INSURANCE EXPENSE	36,175.00
	AUDIT/PROFESSIONAL FEES	6,500.00
	ADVERTISING EXPENSE	13,360.00
	LEASHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	500.00
	TRAINING EXPENSE	8,100.00
	ACTIVITIES/SPECIAL EVENTS EXPENSES	39,000.00
	CASH MATCH EXP-GENERAL OPER	21,700.00
	TAX TRIBUNAL CHARGEBACKS	3,000.00
	MILLAGE CAMPAIGN 8/2014	0.00
	<b>BUDGETED TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$1,931,904.00</b>
	<b>Revenue over Expenses/Expenses over Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>



**RESOLUTION NO. OCR 17-25**  
**Support of the Department of Natural Resources'**  
**Grant Application for the Acquisition of the Storey Lake Property**  
OTSEGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
September 28, 2017

**WHEREAS**, the County of Otsego supports the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) grant application (#17-0175) to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for the proposed acquisition of the Storey Lake Property consisting of 2,140 acres of forested land containing Storey Lake and Stewart Creek corridor and located in Township 32N Range 02W Sections 6 and 7 and Township 32N Range 03W Sections 1 and 12 of Corwith Township, Otsego County, Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, the location of the proposed DNR acquisition is within the jurisdiction of the County of Otsego; and

**WHEREAS**, with this resolution of support it is acknowledged that the County of Otsego is not committing to any obligations, financial or otherwise; now therefore, be it.

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Otsego hereby supports the grant and application for the proposed acquisition of the Storey Lake Property by the DNR.