

March 14, 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 Sheriff Matt Nowicki.

Roll Call:

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

Consent Agenda:

Motion to approve the Regular Minutes of February 28, 2017 with attachments Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Administrator's Report:

John Burt reported on the 2017 Airshow, more military support; Iron Belle trail meeting 3-17-17; bids for a canopy for vehicles at Land Use Services; bond bids for the Library.

Department Heat Report:

Sheriff Matt Nowicki reported on road patrol, handled 971 complaints so far this year; 7 deputies working the road, 1 position open; 2 new SUV vehicles ordered. New side arms and tasers are in, still need training before they are issued to the offices; received \$10,000 ORV grant.

Captain Brian Webber reported on the jail, 8 jail incidents this year; jail population is down.

Officer Dan Phillips reported on the work camp; various places the camp does work for, 11 average camp members.

Undersheriff Matt Muladore presented the stats of the complaints received.

City Liaison, Township and Village Representative:

Bagley Township Supervisor, Michelle Noirot, reported on the Bagley Township meeting; thanked the sheriff's department for the representation at the meeting.

Correspondence: None.

New Business:

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Paul Liss, to approve the March 7, 2017 Warrant in the amount of \$85,469.94. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Paul Liss, seconded by Commissioner Ken Glasser, to approve the March 14, 2017 Warrant in the amount of \$600,838.78. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Chairman Ken Borton opened up the meeting for public comment.

Board Remarks:

Commissioner Paul Beachnau had no report.

Commissioner Julie Powers reported on the Health Department meeting; Lyme disease and ticks is an issue for this summer; Otsego County has a low vaccination rate for the State.

Commissioner Duane Switalski reported on the Health Department meeting; sent a letter to Congressman Jack Bergman regarding funding that goes to various services. Attended VA meeting, current clinic looking at a new location.

Commissioner Rob Pallarito attended the MSU Extension briefing in Alpena on the new marijuana law that goes into effect 12-15-17.

Commissioner Ken Glasser reported on NEMCOG, received money to do a joint land use study. Conservation District thanked the County for putting together a FOIA policy; concerns with the Heritage Report.

Commissioner Bruce Brown reported on the Sportsplex, April 21st-May 3<sup>rd</sup> the pool will be shut down for maintenance.

Commissioner Paul Liss had no report.

Commissioner Doug Johnson reported on the Parks and Recreation meeting; Rachel Frisch gave the year end report for the parks department; cabin rentals, daily passes and season passes all have increased; recommended 2 new cabins; MSU and the Community Center are working together to put some programs together for spring break; lady volleyball teams starting; free cleanup weekend at the County Park on May 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>; Kelli Parker has been recommended to be on the board.

Commissioner Ken Borton reported on the Bagley Township meeting; approved their budget, contributed \$2,600 to the Economic Alliance; Road Commissioner was present, roads that need repaired. Legislative Conference is scheduled in 2 weeks.

Meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

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Kenneth C. Borton, Chairman

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Susan I. DeFeyer, Otsego County Clerk