

October 9, 2018

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 Henry Mason.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Paul Liss, Bruce Brown.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Commissioner Julie Powers, seconded by Commissioner Duane Switalski, to approve the Regular minutes of September 25, 2018 with attachments. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Department Head Reports:

Adam Koivisto, MSU Extension District 14 Coordinator, reported on the MSU Extension office.

Special Presentations:

Sherry Huff from Department of Health and Human Services reported on trauma and the effects it has on children and families.

Administrator's Report:

Rachel Frisch reported on the 2019 budget process; The Groen Nature preserve entrance project out for bid, bids due in November; Ironbelle Trail, labor dispute resolved and projects have resumed; Veterans grant awarded to the County up to \$28,000; County website has current capital projects listed.

City Liaison, Township and Village Representative:

Michelle Noirot reported on the Bagley Township meeting held; Ironbelle questions; Township Planning Commissioner working on changing the mobile home parks zoning.

Correspondence:

Commissioner Ken Glasser received a notice regarding new canoe slides on the Manistee river, public comment open until 10-22-18.

New Business:

Motion by Commissioner Ken Glasser, seconded by Commissioner Doug Johnson, to approve the October 2, 2018 Warrant in the amount of \$144,281.54. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Julie Powers, seconded by Commissioner Duane Switalski, to approve the October 9, 2018 Warrant in the amount of \$297,651.26. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Doug Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Ken Glasser to approve OCR 18-26 Conflict Resolution Day.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None.

Excused: Paul Liss, Bruce Brown.

Motion carried/Resolution adopted. (see attached)

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; Thanked Ken Glasser for the correspondence and environment work information.

Commissioner Duane Switalski reported on the Health Department, Board approved pay increases; attended the Charlton Township meeting.

Commissioner Rob Pallarito attended the Up North prevention training with law enforcement, fire and first responders; Joint Land Use Study meeting 10-10-18, receiving great input; attended Community Day at the new Gaylord High School football field.

Commissioner Ken Glasser reported on NEMSCA; new Federal work requirements, effective in October.

Commissioner Doug Johnson reported on the Parks and Recreation meeting; new septic system project started out at the County Park; started moving the ranger station; bear basketball has started at the Community Center; Halloween weekend camping, campground was full both weekends; bids sent out for the Groen Nature Preserve entrance, bids due November 7, 2018; Board has approved the animal control to obtain the shed at the Dog park; drawings for a pavilion for the antiques at the Groen Nature Preserve to help protect them; windmill at the Groen Nature Preserve not going to start until spring.

Commissioner Ken Borton reported on the MAC bylaws update; wanted to bring other elected officials as voting board members, that was voted down. That section has been stricken and it is coming up for vote again in Lansing; attended the opening celebration of the new football field at the Gaylord High School.

Meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Kenneth C. Borton, Chairman

Susan I. DeFeyter, Otsego County Clerk

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners, held in Room 100 at the County Building, 225 W. Main St., Gaylord, Michigan on the 9th day of October, 2018 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Commissioner: _____.

OCR 18-26
Conflict Resolution Day
Otsego County Board of Commissioners
October 9, 2018

Whereas, conflict resolution is a way of people solving individual disputes, as well as a means toward creating a more peaceful community, and our citizens possess the moral authority and power to resolve conflicts on their own, and

Whereas, the conflict resolution process empowers all individuals, families, communities, schools, businesses, and organizations to foster communication and devise solutions that are acceptable to the needs and interests of all the parties involved, and

Whereas, Michigan Public Act 260 of 1988, known as the Community Dispute Resolution Act, authorized the establishment of Community Dispute Resolution Centers throughout the state of Michigan the Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Office oversees eighteen community resolution centers, which provide trained volunteer mediators to assist in conflict resolution and Community Mediation Services is a center serving the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Kalkaska, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle and

Whereas, community based volunteers, trained in conflict resolution, are the backbone of this program. These trained volunteer mediators provide mediation, facilitation, and conciliation when asked by their peers or ordered by the court, and

Whereas, these volunteers, serving as mediators, provide affordable, quality service that can strengthen and restore relationships by relieving parties and courts of costly litigation, resulting in less time involved to reach a mutually satisfactory solution rather than an order imposed on them by a third party, and

Whereas, the third Thursday in October is set aside as Conflict Resolution Day in recognition of the mediation process and these volunteers and to increase public awareness of constructive ways to resolve conflicts of any type, and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, the Otsego County Board of Commissioners do hereby dedicate, Thursday, October 18, 2018, as Conflict Resolution Day in Otsego County, Michigan. We encourage all citizens to acknowledge the value of conflict resolution through mediation, facilitation, and conciliation and encourage use of this form of dispute resolution and to get involved and to support their local Conflict Resolution Center.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

YES: _____

NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

THE RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kenneth C. Borton, Chairman

Susan I. DeFeyter, County Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
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COUNTY OF OTSEGO)

The undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the County of Otsego, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Otsego County Board of Commissioners at its regular meeting held on the 9th day of October, 2018, at which meeting a quorum was present and remained throughout and that an original thereof is on file in the records of the County. I further certify that the meeting was conducted, and public notice thereof was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the minutes of such meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required thereby.

Susan I. DeFeyter, County Clerk

DATED: _____, 2018