

September 8 , 2020

The regular meeting of the Otsego County Board of Commissioners was held at 225 West Main Street, Room 100 Gaylord, Michigan 49735. Due to the novel Coronavirus pandemic, this meeting was held remotely for the public in compliance with Governor Whitmer's Executive order 2020-154 and 2020-160. 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 Rob Pallarito.

Roll Call:

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

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Commissioner Paul Liss, seconded by Commissioner Rob Pallarito, to approve the Regular Minutes of August 25, 2020 with attachments. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Department Head Reports:

Jon Deming reported on EMS, 6 ambulances, 3 trucks for heavy responds; 186 runs over from last year.

Rachel Frisch thanked Jon and staff for all of their hard work.

Duane Switalski thanked Jon and staff for all of their hard work.

Committee Reports: None.

Administrator's Report:

Rachel Frisch reported in the middle of budget season, meeting with the department heads this week; animal shelter inspection passed; local share refund from the Iron Belle project to the County; Groen property cleaned up and opened; bids came in for the Royal Crest demolition; Health Department coming to the fairgrounds September 15, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to do COVID testing.

City Liaison, Township & Village Representative: Mary Sanders reported on the Manuka Lake water issue.

Correspondence: Commissioner Ken Glasser received a letter from the DNR.

New Business:

Motion by Commissioner Rob Pallarito, seconded by Commissioner Julie Powers, to approve the September 1, 2020 Warrant in the amount of \$403,500.85. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Duane Switalski by Commissioner Doug Johnson, to approve the September 8, 2020 Warrant in the amount of \$228,320.50 and one void check. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Chairman Ken Borton opened up the meeting for public comment.

Board Remarks:

Commissioner Duane Switalski reported on the Health Department; fees paid to the Health Department.

Commissioner Julie Powers reported on the Health Department.

Commissioner Henry Mason had no report.

Commissioner Rob Pallarito reported on the Pigeon River council; Elections.

Commissioner Ken Glasser had no report.

Commissioner Bruce Brown reported on EMS.

Commissioner Paul Liss had no report.

Commissioner Dog Johnson had no report.

Commissioner Ken Borton had no report.

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

Kenneth C. Borton, Chairman

Susan I. DeFeyter, Otsego County Clerk