

COUNTY OF OSCODA

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OFFICIAL MINUTES MAY 12TH, 2009

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OSCODA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD ON **TUESDAY, MAY 12TH, 2009** AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER'S ROOM, COURTHOUSE ANNEX, MIO, MICHIGAN 48647

Chairman Stone called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Commissioner Stone, Hunt, Kauffman, Marsh, and Trimmer

Members Absent: None

Others Present: 40 members of the public were in attendance.

Pledge to the Flag

The Board reviewed the agenda:

Kauffman/Trimmer a motion to accept the agenda for **May 12, 2009**.
2009-155 5 ayes: 0 nays: **Motion Carried**

The minutes for **April 28th, 2009** were reviewed Commissioner Hunt questioned **Motion 2009-144** stating that no ordinance had been mentioned in Commissioner Kauffman's motion.

Marsh/Trimmer a motion to approve the Unofficial Minutes for **April 28th, 2009** B.O.C. Meeting as presented.
2009-156 **Roll Call Vote:** Kauffman **Yes**; Stone **Yes**;
Marsh **Yes**; Trimmer **Yes**; Hunt **No**; **Motion Carried**

Public Comments:

May 23rd, 2009 Pancake dinner at Steiner Museum
There were a few comments about the ORV issue

Appointments:

Mr. Bob Matteson from the ORV Advisory Committee gave his final report on the ORV issues and thanked the Board for allowing him to be a part of the committee. Steve Goldman also from the Advisory Committee spoke and handed out maps of the Motor Vehicle Use Map for the Huron-Manistee National Forests. Commissioner Trimmer suggested to the board that they retain the Committee to make sure everything was working smoothly.

Hunt/ a motion to Rescind Motion **2009-144** and discuss the link system.
Motion Failed due to lack of support.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

It was suggested by Mr. Peter Cohl that the Board of Commissioners formally designate a person to post all required meetings as mandated by the "Open Meeting Act".

**Hunt/Trimmer
2009-157**

a motion to designate the Board of Commissioners Executive Secretary to post all required meeting notices, as mandated by the "Open Meetings Act".

5 ayes: 0 nays: **Motion Carried**

Commissioner Hunt recommended that the Board Members be appointed as alternate Board members to all Committee Appointments. Discussion followed pertaining to a Landfill meeting where they were unable to hold their meeting due to lack of a quorum.

**Hunt/Stone
2009-158**

a motion to appoint all Board of Commissioners as alternate Board Members to each other's Committees as written.

Roll Call Vote: Trimmer No; Hunt Yes; Kauffman No; Stone No; Marsh No; Motion Failed

Commissioner Hunt asked the board to adopt Resolution 2009-007 "Supporting Adequate State Funding to Hold Counties Harmless from the Department of Human Services Lawsuit Settlement Agreement".

RESOLUTION 2009-007

"Supporting Adequate State Funding To Hold Counties Harmless From The Department Of Human Services Lawsuit Settlement Agreement"

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan, Department of Human Services was sued by the Children's Rights regarding the care of children in foster care and juvenile justice; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services settled the case out-of-court without consent or consultation from Michigan's counties; and

WHEREAS, Michigan counties are the funding source for one- half of the costs of foster care and juvenile justice services in the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the settlement agreement between the Department of Human Services and Children's Rights would require Michigan's counties to pay, without their consent, up to \$32,000,000 per year statewide in calculable costs, with additional county costs evident that are not able to be calculated; and

WHEREAS, Michigan's counties face staggering cuts to services across the board due to declining property tax base, state funding cuts to support mandated services, increasing responsibilities eliminated from the state government being forced to counties, and increasing state regulation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oscoda County Board of Commissioners urges the legislature and the Governor to hold counties harmless from the increased County Child Care Fund expenses associated with the agreement reached between the Department of Human Services and Children's Rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the copies of this resolution be transmitted for their review to Governor Jennifer Granholm and the Michigan Legislature, and to the Michigan Association of Counties for their consideration and action.

**Hunt/Trimmer
2009-159** a motion to adopt **Resolution 2009-007** “Supporting Adequate State Funding to Hold Counties Harmless From the Department of Human Services Lawsuit Settlement Agreement”
Roll Call Vote: Kauffman **Yes**; Stone **Yes**; Marsh **Yes**; Trimmer **Yes**; Hunt **Yes**; **Motion Carried.**

Commissioner Hunt asked that due to the fact the County will be negotiating three (3) Union Contracts later this year that we retain our current Insurance Company until this fall and that the Commissioners form an insurance committee.

**Hunt/Trimmer
2009-160** a motion to wait to review other Insurance options and/or to change Insurance Agents until fall.
5 ayes; 0 nays; **Motion Carried**

FINANCIAL:

Ambulance Director Casey Pullum and his secretary Sherry Wilson presented four (4) proposals to the Commissioner for their review after discussing his proposals the following motions were made:

**Hunt/Trimmer
2009-161** a motion to approve the BCBS rate increases recommended by MHR billing Services, as presented by the Ambulance Director, Casey Pullum, effective June 1st, 2009.
Roll Call Vote: Marsh **Yes**, Trimmer **Yes**, Hunt **Yes**, Kauffman **No**; Stone **Yes**; **Motion Carried**

**Kauffman/Marsh
2009-162** a motion to discontinue the extra 10 hours per week paid to Susan Avery, per motion **2009-035** made at the January 27th, 2009 B.O.C. meeting. Effective immediately.
Roll Call Vote: Trimmer **Yes**; Hunt **Yes**; Kauffman **Yes**; Stone **Yes**; Marsh **Yes**; **Motion Carried.**

**Trimmer/Kauffman
2009-163** a motion to turn over Ambulance Service accounts in the amount of \$5,141.40 to collections and write off deceased accounts in the amount of \$170.00.
Roll Call Vote: Kauffman **Yes**; Stone **Yes**; Marsh **Yes**; Trimmer **Yes**; Hunt **Yes**; **Motion Carried.**

**Hunt/Trimmer
2009-164** a motion to amend Special Fund (102) Ambulance Equipment and Special Fund (210) Ambulance as recommended by the Ambulance Director, and so amend the 2009 Budget.
Roll Call Vote: Stone **Yes**; Marsh **Yes**; Trimmer **Yes**; Hunt **Yes**; Kauffman **Yes**; **Motion Carried**

Commissioner Marsh presented a letter from Duane Roddy, EDC Director concerning his time card.

**Marsh/Trimmer
2009-165** a motion to authorize the County Clerk to accept Mr. Duane Roddy’s Time Card as presented for pay period ending 5/9/09.

**Roll Call Vote: Marsh Yes; Trimmer Yes; Hunt Yes;
Kauffman Yes; Stone Yes; Motion Carried.**

Commissioner Hunt presented a letter from Charlene Baker Friend of the Court Director asking to amend the 2009 Budget.

**Hunt/Marsh
2009-166**

a motion to amend Special Fund (215) Friend of Court, as requested by the 23rd Judicial Circuit Court and so amend the 2009 Budget.

**Roll Call Vote: Trimmer Yes; Hunt Yes; Kauffman Yes;
Stone Yes; Marsh Yes; Motion Carried.**

Kathleen Solomon, Oscoda County Prosecuting Attorney sent a letter to the board requesting a budget amendment for Expert Witness Fees.

**Kauffman/Hunt
2009-167**

a motion to move \$2,819.10 from Contingency to the General Fund (229) expense line, witness fees and so amend the Budget.

**Roll Call Vote: Kauffman Yes; Stone Yes; Marsh Yes;
Trimmer Yes; Hunt Yes; Motion Carried.**

Commissioner Hunt recommended that the board not approve Claims and Audit due to the fact that the bills are no longer being sent to the Commissioners office. A discussion followed and a five (5) minute break was taken, so Commissioner Hunt could look at certain bills that he had questions on.

**Hunt/Kauffman
2009-168**

a motion to have the County Clerk send over copies of Claims and Audit, all bills.

5 ayes; 0 nays; Motion Carried.

**Hunt/Marsh
2009-169**

a motion to accept Claims & Audit for May 12th, 2009 presented by the Clerk's Office in the amount of \$68,859.71.

**Roll Call Vote: Marsh Yes; Trimmer Yes; Hunt Yes;
Kauffman Yes; Stone Yes; Motion Carried.**

Correspondence, Reports, Resolutions (acknowledge receipt):

Committee Reports:

Commissioner Trimmer:

Attended Council on Aging –Working on Budget, Millage renewal questions.

Attended MTA Meeting – ORV discussions on the pros and cons

Commissioner Kauffman:

Attended NE Michigan Consortium Meeting – Stimulus money discussed.

Attended Oscoda County Park Board Meeting – Reservations are down

Attended MAC Environmental Meeting in Lansing – Inspection of Septic Systems every 10 years.

Stated Landfill should have an attorney present when meeting with the DTE.

Commissioner Marsh:

Phone Conversation with Attorney Peter Cohl, Commissioner Stone and Brenda Moore, Secretary.

Attended NEMSCA Board Meeting – Head Start Fund.

Attended Oscoda County Park Board Meeting – Reservations Down, discussed having an

Auxiliary Deputy patrol the Park at night.

Commissioner Hunt:

Attended Financial workshop in Grayling.

Attended Michigan Substance Abuse Meeting – Teen Drugs, how to dispose of old drugs.

Attended MTA Meeting – ORV discussions on the pros and cons

Attended Landfill Meeting – Cancelled quorum not present,

Attended Oscoda County Road Commission Meeting – Perry Lakes was discussed, Dust control.

Commissioner Stone:

Attended a LEPC Meeting – Grant moneys discussed
Attended a Financial workshop in Grayling.
Attended MTA Meeting – ORV discussions on pros and cons
Phone Conversation with Attorney Peter Cohl, Commissioner Marsh and Brenda Moore Secretary.
Attended a Meeting with the County Clerk

Public Comments:

Three Citizens spoke.

Chairman Stone adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

**Next Meeting Scheduled for
Tuesday, May 26th, 2009
At 10:00 a.m.**

Joseph L. Stone, Chairman

Jeri Winton, County Clerk/Register