

**OSCEOLA COUNTY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
JULY 3, 2018**

The Committee meeting was called to order at 10:17 a.m. by Vice Chairman Tiedt.

Present: Commissioners Jack Nehmer, Jill Halladay, Roger Elkins, Alan Tiedt and Mark Gregory.

Also present: 102nd State Representative Michele Hoytenga, Dave Blanchard-Veterans' Services Director, Dan Massy-Community Developer, Susan Vander Pol-County Coordinator, Karen Bluhm-County Clerk and several members of the public.

Motion by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Brief Public Comment: Representative Michele Hoytenga updated Board members on matters in Lansing.

Employee/Board Comment: None.

Moved by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the minutes of June 19, 2018 as presented. Motion carried.

Recommended by Commissioner Elkins, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the claims of the County in the amount of \$59,456.85. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Osceola County Land Bank Authority Appointment

Dan Massy, Community Developer, advised that Commissioner Nehmer's appointment to the Osceola County Land Bank Authority has expired and requested he be re-appointed.

Recommended by Commissioner Elkins, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to reappoint Commissioner Nehmer to the Osceola County Land Bank Authority with a term expiration of 7/31/19. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

MDEQ Grant Acceptance

Dan Massy, Community Developer, reported the MDEQ has awarded Osceola County \$83,000 in grant funding for environmental assessments. This grant application was previously approved by the Board, but now needs the Board's acceptance. A brief discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Nehmer, to approve acceptance of the grant from the MDEQ for the Brownfield Redevelopment Program and authorize the Chairman to sign. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Zuercher Out-of-State Training

Undersheriff, Justin Halladay, explained the request to send two employees to Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for a Zuercher training on their new software. He explained the conference is at no cost, however, travel and lodging would be the department's expense. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to approve the out of state travel for two Sheriff's Department employees to attend the Zuercher training. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Budget Amendments

None were received.

County 2019 Budget Update

Susan Vander Pol, County Coordinator, updated Commissioners on the process for the 2019 budget year.

Employee/Board Comments:

Karen Bluhm, County Clerk, shared information on the upcoming MERS Annual Conference. She asked if the Board wished to send someone to the conference as previously done in the past. Discussion was held.

Recommended by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Halladay, to send employer and employee delegates to the MERS Conference and authorize payment of the conference expenses. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Recommended by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Halladay, to appoint Karen Bluhm, County Clerk, as the employer delegate, or another individual she chooses in her place, to go to the MERS Conference in October. Recommendation was unanimously supported.

Extended Public Comments: None.

Moved by Commissioner Nehmer, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, to adjourn at 10:43 a.m. Motion carried.

Karen J. Bluhm, County Clerk

Alan Tiedt, Vice Chairman