

Iosco County Board of Commissioners

COURT HOUSE
Tawas City, Michigan 48763

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES FEBRUARY 5, 2020

Commissioners Present: Huebel, Dutcher, Finley, Moehring and O'Farrell.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Nancy Huebel – County Clerk, Oscoda Press – Jason Ogden, Allan MacGregor – Sheriff, Ericka Earl – Register of Deeds, Ralph Boudreau – Under Sheriff, Scott Frank – Jail Administrator, Barb Finley, Carla Grezeszak – Trial Court Administrator, Ron Whitney – Veterans Counselor.

Meeting called to order immediately following the full Board meeting.

Ron Whitney, Veterans Counselor – Annual review of Veteran's Affairs and request to apply for County Service Grant.

Whitney provided the Veteran's Affairs Year-in-review for 2019. This report included the number of office visits, documents prepared, Soldiers and Sailors Relief activities, applications received, along with a number of other items. See attached.

The Committee reviewed the request from Whitney to apply for a County Service Grant in the amount of \$67,344.00. The Grant is for a \$50,000 flat rate with the difference being a per capita sum. The grant includes funding for the VSO to full-time (35 hours per week) at \$23.00 per hour from the current part-time (28 hours per week) at \$13.26 per hour, ADA ramp renovation, office furniture, computer, office equipment technology etc. The County Clerk, Nancy Huebel, discussed the wages and lack of funding in the General Fund if the board authorizes the VSO to go to full-time if the grant isn't funded in the future. Discussion held regarding a letter of understanding for the VSO to revert back to part-time at the part-time wage if the grant is not renewed.

After discussion a motion by O'Farrell with Dutcher supporting to recommend the full board authorize Whitney to complete the paperwork for the Iosco County CVSF Grant Amount and Application and if the position hours are to be increased a letter of understanding needs to be prepared and signed regarding full-time / part-time status/funding. All ayes, motion carried.

Mischelle Warner, MSU District Coordinator – Millage Language.

The committee reviewed the millage renewal language for the purpose of sustaining 4-H and MSU Extension services in Iosco County. After discussion a motion by Moehring with O’Farrell supporting to recommend the full board approve for the ballot language as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Ralph Boudreau, Secondary Road Patrol.

The Under Sheriff, Ralph Boudreau, presented the following request: seeking approval for four (4) positions for the Secondary Road Patrol grant program. Positions to be part-time up to 56 hours per pay period. The wage to be based upon the union wage scale, \$16.25 to \$21.07 based on experience. After discussion a motion by Finley with O’Farrell supporting to recommend the four positions as requested. All ayes, motion carried.

A request to allow Sergeant James Brink and Deputy Klosowski-Lorenz to work at their overtime rate under the Secondary Road Patrol grant as assigned. Funding available through grant. Motion by Finley with O’Farrell supporting. All ayes, motion carried.

Approval to purchase body armor in the amount of \$900.00 to be funded through the Secondary Road Patrol Grant. Motion by O’Farrell with Finley supporting. All ayes, motion carried.

The Secondary Road Patrol was increased by \$12,520.00 therefore a budget revision is necessary:

Increase:	Revenue:	101-315-539.00	\$12,520.00
Increase:	Expenditures:	101-315-705.00	\$ 9,869.00
		101-315-715.00	\$ 527.00
		101-315-715.01	\$ 124.00
		101-315-744.00	\$ 2,000.00

Motion by Moehring with Finley supporting. All ayes, motion carried.

Administrator’s Report.

Nancy Huebel, Clerk/Co-Administrator – A status report on the County Building parking lot project was presented. Bruce Bolen from the Road Commission is working with the County on putting the project back out for bid. Bids will be presented to the full board for approval with the project completion date to be after Labor Day but before October 1, 2020. Information only.

Any other matters:

The committee reviewed two letters of resignation. Mr. James Szafran resigned from the Planning Commission and Mr. Howard Burdette resigned from the Economic Development Commission. A request for Letters of Interest to be placed in the local newspaper. Information only.

Public Comments:

Carol DeMar – Erosion.
Jeff Mayer – Veterans Affairs Officer.

Claims and Accounts reviewed and approved with any exceptions noted Huebel, O'Farrell and Moehring.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned in the a.m.

Respectfully,

Mindy J. Schirmer
Administrative Assistant
Iosco County Board of Commissioners