

Chairman Reetz called a regular session of the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on this date in the Commissioner's Chambers, Ogemaw County Building, West Branch, Michigan.

Roll call: Present – Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker, and David.

**Motion by Scott, second by Neubecker, the meeting agenda be approved as noted. Voice vote. Ayes – all. Motion carried. [6-1-#1]**

**Motion by Vaughn, second by Scott, the minutes of the May 23, 2019 meeting be approved as noted. Voice vote. Ayes – all. Motion carried. [6-1-#2]**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Phil Durst, MSU Extension Dairy educator/analyst, shared a grant proposal for dairy farm processing has been submitted. It will assist local dairy producers in Northern Michigan with the operation of their dairy farms. He also stated the first *Friday Farm Tour* was held in Ogemaw County. It was very productive and informative for all attending.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Bryan Stein, Ogemaw County Building Inspector and Mike Anschuetz, District Health Department No. 2 Sanitarian provided information regarding the demolition permit process. They requested the process be revised. DHD No. 2 will handle the affidavit and the county building inspector will issue the demolition permit once the affidavit is received. Mr. Stein and Mr. Anschuetz will revise the procedure language and report back to the board.

Carol Roshy, Michigan Works! provided information regarding the *New Business Resource Network*. The *Network* is a private/public collaborative whose purpose is to improve retention, build employee talent, and offer workforce stability through network of resources to member businesses, their employees, and the community.

#### **OFFICIAL'S REPORT:**

County Equalization employee Jozanne Burgin asked if the board would approve the *MiSail* contract. She stated County Equalization Director, Randy Booth, explained the program at a previous commissioner meeting. It will assist with the updating of the GIS files. **Motion by Reetz, second by Scott, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners authorize Randy Booth, County Equalization Director, signing the *MiSail* contract. Roll call vote. Ayes – Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker, and David. Motion carried. [6-1-#3]**

Scott Friesorger, County Animal Control Officer, introduced himself and provided a brief monthly activity report. He stated he has completed 50% of his required training. He discussed the need and usage of a hand held radio. It was determined he could use a radio provided by Amy Beach, County E-911 Director.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Commissioner David stated she has attended all of her township meetings. Richland Township campground is open. Logan Township's recreation park is still closed. Some entrance road repair issues need to be resolved. Mills Township discussed its blight ordinance. She attended a 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment presentation on June 8, 2019. She was in attendance at a County Building Security Committee meeting this morning. At the NEMCSA board meeting its 2019-2020 fiscal year budget was reviewed. MiWorks! also discussed its 2019-2020 Fiscal Year budget at its board meeting.

Commissioner Scott attended 3 of his 4 township meetings. He stated he works at getting both sides of issues confronting him. People he speaks with are genuinely interested in what is happening with the county. The airport *Fly In* is this Saturday. Tree removal at the airport has begun. He stated two solar farm special use permits were approved at the County Planning Commission meeting. The Meijer supermarket special use will be considered at the June 2019 County Planning Commission meeting. Expansion work continues at the West Branch Travel Trailer campground. The work bee at the Ogemaw Nature Park was well attended.

Commissioner Vaughn attended the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting. He also attended two township meetings and all is well with the township operations.

Commissioner Neubecker attended Churchill and Mills Township board meetings. Churchill Township considered a solar farm special use permit. He also attended the Security Committee meeting that was held this morning.

Chairman Reetz attended the City of West Branch Council meeting. The new city manager was sworn into the position. At the West Branch Township board meeting a solar farm ordinance was discussed. Klacking Township held a “free” dump day.

**Motion by Reetz, second by Vaughn, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby terminate the contract between Ogemaw County and Lyndsey J. Hennard according to the terms of the “termination” letter drafted by Ogemaw County Prosecutor Ladonna Schultz. Roll call vote. Ayes – Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker and Scott. Nay – David. Motion carried. [6-1-#4]**

**Motion by Neubecker, second by Vaughn, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve one additional hour per day of work per week for Breck Brindley to perform the 34<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court collections. Roll call vote. Ayes – Vaughn, Neubecker, David, Scott, and Reetz. Motion carried. [6-1-#4]**

**Motion by Reetz, second by Vaughn, The Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve reducing the office space rent for MSU Extension and E-911 Authority from \$12,000 to \$6,000 per year. Roll call vote. Ayes – Reetz and Vaughn. Nays – Neubecker, David and Scott. Motion fails. [6-1-#6]** Discussion followed. It was noted by Commissioner Scott the consensus of the board during the June 20, 2019 was to set the rent at \$12,000 per year. Chairman Reetz stated people have told him we are taking millage away from MSU Extension. Commissioner Scott stated all millage recipients get their money.

**Motion by Neubecker, second by Scott, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve William Engemann as the lead attorney for the Ogemaw County Indigent Criminal Defense Grant. He is the replacement for Darris Richards. Roll call vote. Ayes – David, Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, and Neubecker. Motion carried. [6-1-#7]**

**The Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby terminate the contract between Ogemaw County and Ashley Becker effective immediately with proper notice. Roll call vote. Ayes – Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker, and David. Motion carried. [6-1-#8]**

The board recessed at 10:29 a.m. and reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

Ms. Caren Piglowski explained how the changes in the Indigent Criminal Defense program recently occurred, i.e. change of lead attorney and that the lead attorney secretary assisted in the processing of the required grant paperwork. She also explained how the transfer of funds from the Revolving Fund to the General Fund for the purpose of the E-911 Authority employee accrued time payout were required for government auditing purposes.

**Motion by Reetz, second by Neubecker, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the transfer of \$58,438 from the Revolving Fund to the General Fund for the purpose of E-911 Authority employee accrued time payout expense. Roll call vote. Ayes – Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker, David, and Scott. Motion carried. [6-1-#9]**

**Motion by Reetz, second by Neubecker, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Agreement between Ogemaw County and PA 511 Grant Services as presented, and approves the termination of the Agreement between Ogemaw County and Nickole David. Roll call vote. Ayes – Vaughn, Neubecker, David, Scott, and Reetz. Motion carried. [6-1-#10]** The board discussed the review of contracts and that it is important the review be done by our county attorney.

**Motion by Vaughn, second by Neubecker, claims in the amount of \$176,675.89 be approved for payment. Roll call vote. Ayes – Neubecker, David, Scott, Reetz, and Vaughn. Motion carried. [6-1-#11]**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mischelle Warner, MSUE District Coordinator, informed the board about upcoming workshops related to municipalities fiscal readiness and the fiscal challenges being encountered.

**Motion by Neubecker, second by Vaughn, the meeting be adjourned. Voice vote. Ayes – all. Motion carried. [6-1-#12]**

There being no further business to address, Chairman Reetz adjourned the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Minutes by Gary R. Klacking, Ogemaw County Clerk.

Attest: Gary R. Klacking, Ogemaw County Clerk.