

The Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners met via Zoom on this date in the Commissioner's Chambers, Ogemaw County Building, West Branch, Michigan. Chairman Reetz called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

All stood for the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Roll call: Present – Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker and David. Commissioner Neubecker was not present for the first two motions.

Motion by Scott, second by David, the meeting agenda be approved. Roll call vote. Ayes – Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, and David. Motion carried. [11-3-#1]

Motion by Scott, second by Vaughn, the minutes of the November 12, 2020 meeting be approved. Roll call vote. Ayes – Reetz, Vaughn, David, and Scott. Motion carried. [11-3-#2]

Motion by Scott, second by Vaughn, the minutes of the November 19, 2020 meeting be approved. Roll call vote. Ayes – Vaughn, Neubecker, David, Scott, and Reetz. Motion carried. [11-3-#3]

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Neubecker, second by Vaughn, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to authorize funds for Sheriff's Department vehicle purchase. Roll call vote. Ayes – Neubecker, Scott, Reetz, and Vaughn. Nay – David. Motion carried. [11-3-#4] Commissioner David questioned approving payment as we don't know where we stand with General Fund revenues. Commissioner Neubecker agreed with Commissioner David; however, he believes we should authorize payment. Commissioner Scott stated we assume taxes will be paid by property owners.

Motion by Vaughn, second by Reetz, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners approve a resolution to authorize purchase of bulletproof vests. Roll call vote. Ayes – David, Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, and Neubecker. Motion carried. [11-3-#5] The grant is for \$5,000 and our share is \$2,500. The money is in the Sheriff Department budget.

Motion by Scott, second by Vaughn, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners approve a resolution to adopt the revised Ogemaw County COVID-19 preparedness and response plan. Roll call vote. Ayes – Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, and David. Nay – Neubecker. Motion carried. [11-3-#6] County Administrator Dolehanty stated it makes us compliant with MiOSHA guidelines.

Motion by Scott, second by Reetz, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to approve Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) defined benefit plan adoption agreement addendums. Roll call vote. Ayes – Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker, David, and Scott. Motion carried.

[11-3-#7] Mr. Dolehanty stated MERS has a definition for "income". They are asking us to "define" income and this resolution does that.

Motion by Scott, second by Vaughn, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to establish authorized signatories for MERS contracts and service credit purchase approvals. Roll call vote. Ayes – Vaughn, Neubecker, David, Scott, and Reetz. Motion carried. [11-3-#8] Mr. Dolehanty stated this designates the county administrator, board chairman, and deputy county clerk to sign documents for the county.

Motion by Reetz, second by Neubecker, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to approve an agreement for MSU Extension services. Roll call vote. Ayes – Neubecker, David, Scott, Reetz, and Vaughn. Motion carried. [11-3-#9] Mr. Dolehanty stated there are no changes to this agreement from the previous year. MSUE will provide extension services to the county.

Motion by Scott, second by Reetz, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to approve suspension of county operations policy. Roll call vote. Ayes – Scott, Reetz, and Neubecker. Nays – Neubecker and David. Motion carried. [11-3-#10]

Motion by Neubecker, second by Reetz, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to approve a memorandum of understanding for services required under Michigan indigent defense commission guidelines. Roll call vote. Ayes – Scott, Reetz, Vaughn, Neubecker, and David. Motion carried. [11-3-#11]

Motion by Vaughn, second by Neubecker, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners approve payment of claims in the amount of \$210,200.78. Roll call vote. Ayes – Retz, Vaughn, Neubecker, David, and Scott. Motion carried. [11-3-#12]

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ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Mr. Dolehanty informed the board due to COVID restrictions, public access to the county building is only by appointment at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioner David stated there were no township meetings since the last commissioner meeting. She asked if the county general fund audit was ongoing. Mr. Dolehanty told her the audit is still being worked on at this time. Audit personnel are strictly following PPE requirements.

Commissioner Scott stated Ogemaw Township received limited public comment on its proposed recreation grant due to the COVID meeting restrictions. The township will wait to submit the recreation grant.

Commissioner Vaughn attended the District Health Department No. 2 board meeting. The main topic of discussion was COVID restrictions.

Commissioner Neubecker had nothing new to report since last commissioner meeting.

Chairman Retz attended the EMS Authority board meeting. Two new ambulances have been purchased.

Motion by Scott, second by Vaughn, the meeting be adjourned. Voice vote. Ayes – all. Motion carried. [11-3-#13]

Chairman Retz adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Attest: Gary R. Klacking, Ogemaw County Clerk
Minutes by: Gary R. Klacking, Ogemaw County Clerk