

Chairman Hennard called a Committee of the Whole meeting of the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners to order at 8:30 a.m. on this date in Conference Room A, Commissioner's Chambers, Ogemaw County Building, West Branch, Michigan.

Present – Scott, Reetz, Quackenbush, and Hennard. Absent – Simmons.

Tom Spencer, Ogemaw County I.T. Director, reviewed the current I.T. inventory with the board. He presented a detailed 3-5 year replacement plan. He indicated battery backups are needed. The board asked him to prepare cost estimates and report back.

Randy Booth, County Equalization Director, informed the board the County Veteran's Relief Fund millage of .04 mills levied last year must be renewed each year. A motion will be prepared to approve the levy for the next regular Commissioner meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the E-911 millage proposal and when and how the tax revenue can be collected. It was determined the E-911 must be created before the tax revenue can be collected in December 2018. Central Dispatch Director Beach has discussed this matter with an attorney. The attorney can draft the authority paperwork for a cost of \$5,000. The county attorney and county auditor will be contacted for assistance in determining if the county or authority will collect the tax revenue.

Sheriff Howie Hanft addressed the board concerning reimbursement for lodging related to travel to a Special Olympics event out-of-state. The request was denied. He also stated the Ford Explorer needs to be replaced.

Administrative Assistant Caren Piglowski, presented 2017-2018 budget adjustments. Changes to the adjustments were discussed. The surplus from the budget adjustments will be earmarked for the contingency line item. A motion will be prepared to approve the adjustments for the next regular commissioner meeting.

There was further discussion about how to address the travel reimbursement request from the County Sheriff. If the board decides to grant the reimbursement request it will add onto budget adjustments.

The monthly expense report was presented by Ms. Piglowski.

County Treasurer McIntyre discussed the percentage of township tax collection for this time of year.

Commissioner Reetz mentioned a new grant the City of West Branch has for deputy training. He requested Undersheriff David to research this and determine if it would work for the county.

County Treasurer McIntyre presented the revenue budget. Treasurer McIntyre stated it was current as of today's date.

There being no further business to address, Chairman Hennard adjourned the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

Minutes by Gary R. Klacking, Ogemaw County Clerk.

Attest: Gary R. Klacking, Ogemaw County Clerk.