

**ONTARIO COUNTY
INSURANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
December 3, 2013**

MEMBERS

JEFFERY GALLAHAN
JOHN COWLEY
MARGARET HILTON
FREDRICK LIGHTFOOTE
DONALD NINESTINE
RICHARD RUSSELL

PRESENT: Jeff Gallahan, Margaret Hilton, Donald Ninestine, Richard Russell, Fred Lightfoote, John Parrott, Mike Reinhardt, Alice McShea, Julie Hoffman, Sherman Manchester, Sandra Packard, Diane Johnston, Kathryn DeBruin.

DISTRIBUTION: Committee Members, Board Chairman Jack Marren, John Parrott, John Park, Michael Reinhardt, Julie Hoffman, John Garvey, Sheriff Philip Povero, Karen DeMay, Sherman Manchester.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gallahan called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

Supervisor Russell made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2013 meeting. Supervisor Ninestine seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

SAFETY REPORT

Mr. Manchester presented the Safety Report and reviewed new incidents. Mr. Manchester noted it is the trip, slip and fall season. He put an article in the Visions Newsletter as a reminder to employees.

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to approve the Safety Report. Supervisor Cowley seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

RENEWAL OF EXCESS POLICIES – STATUS UPDATE

Mr. Parrott updated the Committee on the renewal of the excess insurance policies. Mr. Parrott advised the premium will go down on the excess workers compensation. The excess premium is expected to be fairly flat. Excess liability is expected to have no increase. Mr. Parrott will e-mail the proposals to the Committee as soon as he has them.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Ms. Hoffman reviewed the monthly report. There were three payments over \$5,000 during the month of November.

LIABILITY SELF-INSURANCE

Chairman Gallahan spoke in regards to the resolution to renew Mr. Parrott's contract with the County for Risk Management Services.

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to approve the resolution renewing the contract for Risk Management Services. Supervisor Russell seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

Mr. Reinhardt asked the Committee if they wished to enter into executive session to discuss a matter that is connected to a current litigation case.

At 10:20 A.M. a motion was made by Supervisor Ninestine, seconded by Supervisor Hilton, that the Insurance Committee adjourn and reconvene in executive session for the purpose of discussing information regarding proposed, pending or current litigation. All ayes; motion carried.

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to leave executive session and reconvene in regular session at 11:40 A.M. Supervisor Russell seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Insurance Committee authorized Mr. Reinhardt to offer a settlement not to exceed \$5,000 for a litigation case discussed during executive session.

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to approve the offer to settle the litigation case. Supervisor Lightfoote seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

The Insurance Committee authorized Mr. Reinhardt to offer \$80,000 to settle the Holbrook case discussed during executive session.

Supervisor Russell made a motion to approve the offer to settle the Holbrook litigation case. Supervisor Hilton seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

The Committee thanked Supervisor Ninestine for his contributions to the Committee and the County.

Chairman Gallahan discussed The News & Happenings Report and noted 84 out of 104 accidents on County Highways were deer related.

With no further business to come before the Committee,

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Hilton seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:49 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

