

**ONTARIO COUNTY
INSURANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
March 6, 2012**

MEMBERS

JEFFERY GALLAHAN
JOHN COWLEY
ROBERT LAROCCA
FREDRICK LIGHTFOOTE
DONALD NINESTINE
RICHARD RUSSELL

PRESENT: Jeffrey Gallahan, Donald Ninestine, John Cowley, Frederick Lightfoote, Richard Russell, John Garvey, Michael Reinhardt, John Parrott, Mary Krause, Julie Hoffman, Anne McFarland, Eileen Tiberio.

DISTRIBUTION: Committee Members, Board Chairman Ted Fafinski, John Parrott, John Park, Michael Reinhardt, Julie Hoffman, John Garvey, Sheriff Philip Povero, Karen DeMay, Sherman Manchester, Don Havens and Stephen Healy.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gallahan called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M and declared that Supervisor LaRocca was necessarily absent.

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 7, 2012 meeting. Supervisor Russell seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

WAIVER OF INSURANCE REQUEST

Ms. Tiberio requested a waiver of the liability insurance requirement for the contract with the foster parent trainer in the Department of Social Services. The training is co-led by a DSS Caseworker, who acts as the department's representative for matters of policy. The foster parent trainer adds a voice of experience. Mr. Parrott agreed that the county's exposure would be minimal, and that the cost of the liability coverage would be prohibitive.

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to approve a waiver of the liability insurance requirement for the foster parent trainer. Supervisor Russell seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

SAFETY REPORT

Ms. McFarland reviewed the new recordable incidents within the municipalities and the county since the last meeting. The recent accident at the county landfill involved a Casella Waste employee and vehicle, not a County employee or vehicle.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Ms. Hoffman advised of a correction to the Workers' Compensation Payment report; the payment for claim #W13025 is \$14,053.11, not \$82,005 as noted in the report. Ms. Hoffman briefly reviewed the report.

Ms. Hoffman advised that a contract with Towers Watson is being prepared and should be ready for presentation at the next Board meeting. Historically, Towers Watson has conducted the bi-annual actuarial analysis of the self-insured property/liability and workers compensation plans.

The budget process for 2013 – 2014 has begun and Ms. Hoffman advised that Town Supervisors and Town Clerks will soon be receiving a letter requesting payroll information needed to develop the budget.

LIABILITY SELF-INSURANCE

Mr. Reinhardt made a request to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation.

At 10:10 A.M. a motion was made by Supervisor Ninestine, seconded by Supervisor Russell, 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 11:02 A.M. Supervisor Russell seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

Supervisor Gallahan noted that there were twenty-six recordable incidents on County highways for the month of February, twelve of which involved deer. Supervisor Lightfoote advised that the incident on February 12, 2012 on CR6, near Kashong, is not within the Town of Gorham.

With no further business to come before the committee,

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Russell. All ayes; motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:04 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jene Trimm
Secretary I