

**APPROVED
PROCEEDINGS OF THE OTTAWA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER SESSION – WORK SESSION**

The Ottawa County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, October 13, 2009, at 2:43 p.m. and was called to order by the Chair.

Present at roll call: Mrs. Kortman, Messrs. Kuyers, Swartout, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Hehl, Rycenga, Schrotenboer, Disselkoen, Karsten, Holtrop, Holtvluwer. (11)

Work Session Items:

- A. 2010 Recycling Center Budget – A power point presentation was presented by Donovan Thomas, Assistant Health Administrator, detailing the three budget options for the Ottawa County Solid Waste Management Program – Resource Recovery Centers to address the projected 2010 budget deficit. Donovan recommended Option B as this meets consumer demand and is more efficient with the resources that are available. Option B includes: Moderate Operation Hours/Staff Reduction, Reduce computer and CFL recycling, and \$19,000 Waste Fund Use.
- B. Strategic Plan 3rd Quarter Update as of 9/30/09- A brief update of the 2009 Strategic Plan was presented by Alan Vanderberg. Because the discretionary services have already taken a hit, the Administrator reported the need to look at the mandated services.
- C. Agricultural Technology Incubator Business Plan – Mark Knudsen, Planning & Performance Director, gave a brief background on how the Agricultural Technology Incubator Business Plan began. The incubator will provide the ability to nurture carefully selected entrepreneurs and their businesses during critical formative years. The recruitment and mentoring process will increase job opportunities. Mark reported the money from the State is no longer available but he is looking at raising money through private sources. He asked the Board for support to continue looking for private funding and the consensus was to pursue.
- D. Communication Plan – Keith VanBeek, Assistant Administrator, presented the highlights in the Ottawa County Communication Plan. He will continue to work on the plan and evaluate it annually.

B/C 09-259 Mr. Holtrop moved to adjourn at 4:04 p.m. The motion passed.

DANIEL C. KRUEGER, Clerk
Of the Board of Commissioners

DONALD DISSELKOEN, Chairman
Of the Board of Commissioners