

**From:** Kelly, James [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 9, 2024 8:00 AM  
**To:** Joe Moss  
**Cc:** John Gibbs; Korpak, Michael  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Contact From Sentinel

Thanks Joe.

We will look forward to seeing it on the agenda released on Friday.  
I appreciate your action on this item.

Regards,

JK

**From:** Joe Moss <jmoss@miottawa.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 8, 2024 6:28 PM  
**To:** Kelly, James [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** John Gibbs <jgibbs@miottawa.org>; Korpak, Michael [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Request for Contact From Sentinel

Hi James and Scott,

Thanks for reaching out. Yes, the contract is slated for the next board agenda. I appreciate you both taking time to meet with commissioners to explain more about MSU Extension. We look forward to learning more and working with Scott in 2024.

Have a great evening,

Joe Moss  
Chairperson  
Ottawa County Commissioner  
District 5  
P: [REDACTED]

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**From:** Kelly, James [REDACTED]  
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**To:** Joe Moss <jmoss@miottawa.org>  
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Hi Joe,

It seems the issue of our delayed contract becoming a more public issue is on the verge of breaking out. We had a request from the Holland Sentinel to provide some insight as to why our contract was being delayed. They referenced in their email both the connection with Ottawa Food and the connection to Christian's candidacy as the potential reason for the delay. I would love to be able to respond to that request saying that the contract is due to be on the upcoming agenda and that we do not anticipate any issues at this point.

We will hold off on responding to the Sentinel but would like to send them a positive response as soon as possible. Please let me know if there has been any developments, one way or the other, as soon as possible.

Regards,

JLK  
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