

**MINUTES OF THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2012

At a **special** meeting of the **Economic Development Committee**, held Wednesday, June 20, 2012, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Carabelli-Co-Chair, Flynn-Co-Chair, Mocerri, Sabatini, Smith, Tocco and Vosburg (ex-officio).

Absent and excused were Gralewski and Miller.

Other Commissioners Also Present:

Brown and Frascchetti.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Co-Chair Carabelli called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Smith, to adopt the agenda, as presented.
The Motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following individual addressed the Board:

Karen Spranger, 7520 Hudson, Warren

REGIONAL UPDATE BY SEMCOG

Two handouts were distributed.

Present from SEMCOG were: Paul Tait, Executive Director; Kathleen Lomako, Deputy Executive Director and Amy Malmer, Manager of Membership/Governmental Affairs.

Paul Tait indicated the focus of today's presentation would consist of three areas:

- 1) Economic and population forecast that have implications on all counties
- 2) Activities both in the economic development arena and in their effort in Lansing and Washington
- 3) Update on membership and upcoming general assembly

Kathleen Lomako gave a PowerPoint presentation on SEMCOG's forecast: Key slides shown consisted of the following:

- Michigan is Leading the Recovery (Employment Change, 3rd Quarters, 2009-2011)
- Employment and Population (Southeast Michigan, 1990-2040)
- We Must Grow Jobs in Knowledge-Based and Export-Oriented Industries (Jobs by Major Sector, SE Michigan, 1990-2040)

The following commissioners spoke: Brown, Frascchetti, Carabelli and Flynn.

Continuing on with Kathleen Lomako's presentation, key slides shown consisted of the following:

- Regional Forecast Summary
- Macomb County's Future is Brighter Than Region

The following commissioners spoke: Carabelli and Frascchetti.

Continuing on with Kathleen Lomako's presentation, key slides shown consisted of the following:

- Long-term Population Change (Change in Population, 2010-2040)
- Continued Household Growth (Change in Households, 2010-2040)
- Job Gains Most Everywhere (Change in Employment, 2010-2040)

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

Paul Tait addressed the committee on SEMCOG's forecast projection.

Paul Tait continued on with the PowerPoint presentation. Key slides shown consisted of the following:

- SEMCOG Economic Activities
- Lansing Update
 - Regional Transit Authority
 - Personal Property Tax

The following commissioner spoke: Flynn.

Continuing on with Paul Tait's presentation, key slides shown consisted of the following:

- Washington Update
 - Federal transportation reauthorization
 - Lake St. Clair
 - Prioritized projects
 - Water quality monitoring
 - Seeking funding for priorities
 - Community development
 - Community Development Block Grant
 - Appraisal reform
 - Selfridge Air National Guard Base
 - Transit Alternatives Analysis
 - Woodward
 - Gratiot/M-59 to follow

The following commissioner spoke: Carabelli.

Paul Tait referred to the first handout which was a summary of the forecast that Kathleen Lomako just presented. The second handout was a report that the Detroit Regional Chamber and Metropolitan Affairs Coalition just completed. He encouraged commissioners to read both brochures.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

Amy Malmer spoke about SEMCOG's partnership with Macomb County. Key topics consisted of the following:

- Dues that Macomb County pays to SEMCOG
- SEMCOG's budget and planning services
- SEMCOG will be returning to the traditional formula for assessing dues for taxable value and Macomb County should see a reduction in 2013 dues
- How SEMCOG engages with Macomb County
- Bi-weekly newsletter
- Blog: Think Regional Act Local
- General Assembly meeting to be held on June 28th at Ford Field

The following commissioners spoke: Brown, Frascchetti, Flynn and Carabelli.

MOTION

A motion was made by Smith, supported by Sabatini, to receive and file the regional update by SEMCOG. **The Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

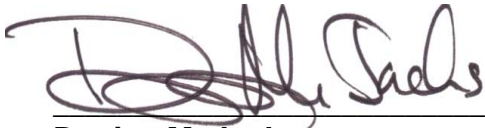
The following individuals addressed the Board:

Karen Spranger, 7520 Hudson, Warren
Joseph Hunt, 8306 Stanley, Warren

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Smith, supported by Sabatini, to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Denise M. Jacks", written over a horizontal line.

Denise M. Jacks
Committee Reporter