

**MINUTES OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2012

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Wednesday, April 11, 2012, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Brown-Chair, Carabelli, DiMaria, Flynn, Frascchetti, Gralewski, Miller,
Mocerri, Sabatini, Sauger, Smith, Tocco and Vosburg.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 11:46 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

Chair Brown removed agenda item #11(a), since the item did not pass at the Economic Development Committee meeting which was held earlier this morning.

Commissioner Mocerri asked to remove agenda item #6(d), since the Office of County Executive did not provide requested information. There were no objections.

Commissioner Miller requested to move up agenda items #10(a) and (b) to #5A. There were no objections.

MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Sabatini, to adopt the agenda, as amended (and to include additional appointment of law firm (#9), #9A, Recommendation from 4-10-12 Justice & Public Safety Committee meeting, #12(a), Resolution and #13(a), Proclamation). **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Gralewski, to approve the February 22 and March 14, 2012 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Joseph Hunt, 8306 Stanley, Warren
Karen Spranger, City of Warren, District 5
Russell Holtslander, 23140 Wellington Crescent
Simon Haddad, Clinton Township
Ron Babin, Sterling Heights
Philis DeSaele (did not provide her address)
Roger Holtslander, 23140 Wellington Crescent

ADOPTION OF COMPENSATION ORDINANCES:

Correspondence from Corporation Counsel dated 4-3-12

- a) **Adopt Compensation Ordinance for Commissioners**
- b) **Adopt Compensation Ordinance for Countywide Elected Officials**

George Brumbaugh was present to answer questions.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DiMARIA, SUPPORTED BY FRASCHETTI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPOINT A FIVE-MEMBER ADVISORY COMPENSATION COMMISSION TO HAVE AN INDEPENDENT STUDY CONDUCTED ON THE SALARY STRUCTURES FOR ALL COUNTYWIDE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND COMMISSIONERS. FURTHER, A COPY OF THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ACTION IS DIRECTED TO BE DELIVERED FORTHWITH TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE.

The following commissioners spoke: DiMaria, Brown and Frascchetti.

Bill Misterovich approached the podium to answer a question from Commissioner Frascchetti.

The following commissioners spoke: Frascchetti, DiMaria, Sauger, Vosburg, Flynn, Smith, Carabelli, Miller, Mocer, Brown and Tocco.

A **friendly amendment** by Commissioner Flynn was accepted as follows: "TO SUPPORT THE CONCEPT OF A COMPENSATION COMMISSION, PENDING A PROPOSAL BEFORE THE APRIL 12TH FULL BOARD MEETING."

The following commissioner spoke: Miller.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE **MAIN MOTION, AS AMENDED**, AS FOLLOWS:

VOTING YES WERE CARABELLI, DiMARIA, FLYNN, FRASCHETTI, GRALEWSKI, SABATINI, SAUGER, SMITH AND TOCCO. THERE WERE 9 "YES" VOTES.

VOTING NO WERE BROWN, MILLER, MOCERI AND VOSBURG. THERE WERE 4 "NO" VOTES.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

The motion that was forwarded to the Full Board reads as follows:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DiMARIA, SUPPORTED BY FRASCHETTI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SUPPORT THE CONCEPT OF APPOINTING AN ADVISORY COMPENSATION COMMISSION TO HAVE AN INDEPENDENT STUDY CONDUCTED ON THE SALARY STRUCTURES FOR ALL COUNTYWIDE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND COMMISSIONERS, PENDING A PROPOSAL BEFORE THE APRIL 12TH FULL BOARD MEETING. FURTHER, A COPY OF THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ACTION IS DIRECTED TO BE DELIVERED FORTHWITH TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

After the vote, Bill Misterovich addressed the committee.

R. Craig Hupp from the law firm of Bodman PLC who represents Public Works gave his legal analysis. Chair Brown asked R. Craig Hupp to leave a copy of his written opinion and indicated he would take the matter under advisement.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 3-29-12 HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MOCERI, SUPPORTED BY FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE 03-29-12 HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING:

- a) APPROVE INCREASES IN BUDGETED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE 2011/12 HEALTH GRANT FUND IN THE NET

AMOUNT OF \$118,744 TO ACCOUNT FOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE FINAL AMOUNTS AWARDED AND THE AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN THE 2011/2012 BUDGET APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN SEPTEMBER, 2011;

- b) APPROVE AN INCREASE IN BUDGETED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE 2011/12 HEALTH GRANT FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000 TO ACCOUNT FOR A GRANT AWARD TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT; AND
- c) APPROVE AN INCREASE IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT GRANT FUND 220 IN THE NET AMOUNT OF \$179,471.68 BY ROLLING AVAILABLE FUND BALANCES COLLECTED IN PREVIOUS YEARS, PER THE ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION.

FURTHER, THESE BUDGET ACTIONS ADDRESS BUDGETARY ISSUES ONLY. THEY DO NOT CONSTITUTE THE COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF ANY COUNTY CONTRACT. IF A CONTRACT REQUIRES COMMISSION APPROVAL UNDER THE COUNTY'S CONTRACTING POLICY OR THE COUNTY'S PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE, SUCH APPROVAL MUST BE SOUGHT SEPARATELY; FURTHER, A COPY OF THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ACTION IS DIRECTED TO BE DELIVERED FORTHWITH TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MARTHA T. BERRY

MOTION

A motion was made by DiMaria, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the Fourth Quarter Financial Report for Martha T. Berry.

Chair Brown noted that he will bring Martha T. Berry (MTB) back at a future meeting to give an annual report; this was at the request of MTB.

Chair Brown called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

APPROVE 2012 EQUALIZATION REPORT

Steve Mellen was present to answer questions.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FLYNN, SUPPORTED BY FRASCHETTI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE 2012

EQUALIZATION REPORT RECOMMENDATION AS SUBMITTED BY THE EQUALIZATION DEPARTMENT; FURTHER, A COPY OF THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ACTION IS DIRECTED TO BE DELIVERED FORTHWITH TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Frascchetti and Brown.

Chair Brown called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

APPOINTMENTS OF LAW FIRMS

MOTION

A motion was made by Sauger, supported by Mocerri, to concur in the appointments of the following law firms:

McConaghy & Nyovich to represent the County in the litigation entitled Police Officers Association of Michigan vs. Macomb County and Macomb County Sheriff Anthony Wickersham, which is pending in Macomb County Circuit Court;

York Dolan & Tomlinson, PC, to represent the County defendants in the litigation entitled Ken Hagar vs. County of Macomb, Macomb County Department of Roads and/or Macomb County Road Commission, which is pending in the Macomb County Circuit Court and

Cummings McClorey Davis & Acho PLC to represent the County defendants in the litigation entitled Joseph Corsetti vs. Macomb County Sheriff Department, et al, which is pending in federal court.

The following commissioner spoke: Flynn.

Chair Brown called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

RECOMMENDATION FROM 4-10-12 JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Approve 2012 Budget Amendments for Community Corrections Department

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SAUGER, SUPPORTED BY GRALEWSKI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE ADDITIONAL 2012 REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$115,446 FOR THE 2010-2014 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) AND TO CARRY

FORWARD 2011 FUND BALANCES FOR COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING FUNDS: EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) (9-13) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$117,181.30 AND MARCH COMMUNITY SERVICE-OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,600; FURTHER, THESE BUDGET ACTIONS ADDRESS BUDGETARY ISSUES ONLY. THEY DO NOT CONSTITUTE THE COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF ANY COUNTY CONTRACT. IF A CONTRACT REQUIRES COMMISSION APPROVAL UNDER THE COUNTY'S CONTRACTING POLICY OR THE COUNTY'S PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE, SUCH APPROVAL MUST BE SOUGHT SEPARATELY; FURTHER, A COPY OF THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ACTION IS DIRECTED TO BE DELIVERED FORTHWITH TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

A brief discussion ensued relating to who the resolution should be offered by, since it was noted on the agenda that it was being offered by Carabelli. After discussion, Chair Brown asked to change the resolution to be offered by the entire Board of Commissioners. There were no objections.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MOCERI, SUPPORTED BY FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF REQUESTING THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF SMART METERS (**OFFERED BY THE ENTIRE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**). FURTHER, A COPY OF THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ACTION IS DIRECTED TO BE DELIVERED FORTHWITH TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

ADOPTION OF PROCLAMATION

Commissioner Mocerri asked to add Commissioner Miller's name to the Proclamation. Chair Brown asked that his name be added to the Proclamation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MOCERI, SUPPORTED BY FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A PROCLAMATION COMMENDING THE CLINTON RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL – 40TH ANNIVERSARY (**OFFERED BY MOCERI; ADD BROWN AND MILLER**). FURTHER, A COPY OF THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ACTION IS DIRECTED TO BE DELIVERED FORTHWITH TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following individuals addressed the Board:

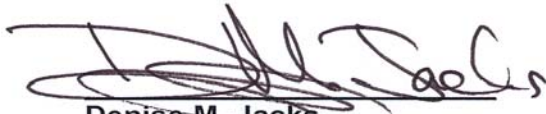
Joseph Hunt, 8306 Stanley, Warren
Karen Spranger, City of Warren, District 5

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Flynn, supported by Mocerri, to adjourn the meeting at 1:06 p.m.

The Motion Carried.



Denise M. Jacks
Committee Reporter