

**MINUTES OF THE
BUDGET COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2009**

At a meeting of the **Budget Committee**, held Tuesday, July 21, 2009, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Brdak-Chair, Accavitti, Boyle, Brown, Bruley, Camphous-Peterson, Carabelli, Crouchman, DiMaria, Doherty, Duzyj, D. Flynn, J. Flynn, Gielegghem, Kepler, Lampar, Mijac, Mocerri, Rengert, Rocca, Sauger, Sprys, Szczepanski, Tocco, Torrice and Vosburg.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Brdak called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Camphous-Peterson, supported by Torrice, to adopt the agenda, as amended (to include items #6A, #6B, #6C, and #12). **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Rocca, supported by J. Flynn, to approve the June 16, 2009 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

RECEIVE AND FILE MARTHA T. BERRY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JULY 2009

MOTION

A motion was made by Camphous-Peterson, supported by Kepler, to receive and file the Martha T. Berry Financial Report for July 2009.

Mr. Roger Facione, Chairperson of the Martha T. Berry Board gave an extensive overview of the Macomb County – Martha T. Berry – M.C.F. Financial Report (2nd Quarter). He then spoke about 10 significant changes in their union agreements. Lastly, he spoke about a

proposed state plan amendment that would affect all medical care facilities in the state. They are very hopeful that the state plan amendment will be favorably reviewed by the feds. It is in the approval process right now. According to the Medicaid Administration there have been questions asked, but it is moving along in a timely fashion. If it is approved, it will be approved in mid-October to November of this year and it will be retroactive to January 1.

The following commissioners spoke: Rengert, J. Flynn, Carabelli, Bruley, Sprys, Duzyj and Sauger.

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

RECEIVE AND FILE 2008 REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT

MOTION

A motion was made by Kepler, supported by Camphous-Peterson, to receive and file the 2008 Revenue and Expense Report.

The following commissioner spoke: Rengert.

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

RECOMMENDATION FROM HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 07-16-09

Approve Clinton Township's Request to Redirect Previously Approved Environmental Problems: Lake/River Fund Award and Reduce Amount by \$20,000

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DiMARIA, SUPPORTED BY BROWN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CLINTON TOWNSHIP'S REQUEST TO REDIRECT PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS: LAKE/RIVER FUND AWARD AND REDUCE AMOUNT BY \$20,000. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

RECOMMENDATION FROM HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 07-16-09

Approve Project Request by Clinton Township; Further, to Award \$8,333.33 Each to Shelby Township, Ray Township and Bruce Township from the Environmental Problems: Lake/River Fund

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY CARABELLI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE PROJECT REQUEST BY CLINTON TOWNSHIP; FURTHER, TO AWARD \$8,333.33 EACH TO SHELBY TOWNSHIP, RAY TOWNSHIP AND BRUCE TOWNSHIP FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS: LAKE/RIVER FUND. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

RECEIVE AND FILE THE 2009, 2010 AND 2011 REVENUE AND EXPENSE PROJECTIONS

MOTION

A motion was made by Camphous-Peterson, supported by Kepler, to receive and file the 2009, 2010 and 2011 Revenue and Expense Projections.

Mr. John Foster briefly overviewed his two-page letter dated July 13, 2009. Attached to the letter were Schedules I and II.

The following commissioners spoke: Brown, Doherty, Rengert, Brdak, Duzyj and Vosburg.

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

AMEND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 2009, 2010 AND 2011 BUDGETS AS SUMMARIZED ON SCHEDULES I, II AND III

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SZCZEPANSKI, SUPPORTED BY KEPLER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AMEND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 2009, 2010 AND 2011 BUDGETS AS SUMMARIZED ON SCHEDULES I, II AND III.

The following commissioners spoke: Rengert, Brdak, Gielegem, Bruley, Brown and Vosburg.

Commissioner Vosburg requested to vote separately regarding the 2009 Budget and the 2010 --

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Brdak, Gielegem, Rengert, Bruley and Doherty.

After further discussion, Chair Brdak said that Schedules I (three areas), II and III would be voted on separately.

Schedule I:

Chair Brdak called for a vote to eliminate the Director of Board Services and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DOHERTY AND DUZYJ VOTING "NO."**

Chair Brdak called for a vote to eliminate the Director of Public Affairs and to eliminate the Public Affairs Specialist and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DOHERTY, DUZYJ AND TORRICE VOTING "NO."**

Chair Brdak called for a vote to add the position of Media Relations Assistant and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DOHERTY, DUZYJ, RENGERT, ROCCA, TORRICE AND VOSBURG VOTING "NO."**

Schedule II:

Chair Brdak called for a vote on Schedule II and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DOHERTY, DUZYJ, RENGERT AND VOSBURG VOTING "NO."**

Schedule III:

AMENDMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RENGERT, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO ELIMINATE THE BUDGET ADDITIONS ON SCHEDULE III (THE BOTTOM 3 BUDGET ADDITIONS) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$658,633.

The following commissioners spoke: Bruley, Doherty, Rengert and Gielegem.

SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VOSBURG, SUPPORTED BY RENGERT, TO REMOVE THE LINE ITEM INDICATORS OF THE 2011 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BUDGET AND CALL IT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BUDGET WITH A DOLLAR AMOUNT.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg and Brdak.

Chair Brdak called for a five-minute recess at 10:45 a.m.

Chair Brdak reconvened the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

Commissioner Vosburg **withdrew** her Substitute Amendment and her support of the first Amendment.

Chair Brdak called for a vote on Schedule III, as presented, and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DOHERTY AND DUZYJ VOTING "NO."**

ADOPT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FOR THE YEAR 2011 THE SALARIES AND COMPENSATION IN LIEU OF FEES FOR MACOMB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE SALARY OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (Item Waived by Personnel Committee Chair)

Ms. Jill Smith distributed an amendment to reflect changes made on page 3 entitled, Retirement Benefits for County Commissioners Holding Said Office Prior to January 1, 2011. The changes were reflected in bold print.

Note: The motion that was placed on the floor reflected the changes that Ms. Smith had distributed.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOHERTY, SUPPORTED BY SZCZEPANSKI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FOR THE YEAR 2011 THE SALARIES AND COMPENSATION IN LIEU OF FEES FOR MACOMB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE SALARY OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, AS AMENDED (**OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR**).

The following commissioners spoke: Doherty, Brdak, Tocco and Crouchman.

AMENDMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOCCO, SUPPORTED BY CROUCHMAN, TO ADD THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO PAGE 1, PARAGRAPH A, AT THE END OF THE SENTENCE THAT ENDS WITH THE WORDS "..., BUT IS ABSENT.": "HOWEVER, THE PAY REDUCTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO ANY MEETING THAT WAS ADDED OR CHANGED AFTER THE DATE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CALENDAR OF MEETINGS IS FIRST ADOPTED."

The following commissioners spoke: Rengert, Sauger, Gielegem, Rocca, Doherty, Duzyj, Crouchman, Tocco, Kepler and J. Flynn.

Chair Brdak called for a vote on the Amendment and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH BROWN, CARABELLI, RENGERT, ROCCA, SPRYS AND VOSBURG VOTING "NO."**

Chair Brdak called for a vote on the main motion, as amended, and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DUZYJ VOTING "NO."**

DIRECT COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS TO SUBMIT BUDGET REDUCTION PLANS AS NOTED ON THE SCHEDULE OF PROJECTED NET EXPENDITURES TO THE SEPTEMBER BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION. FURTHER, TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP OF 5 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO WORK WITH BOARD APPOINTED ADMINISTRATORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS IN SEEKING OUT THE LONG-TERM BUDGETARY SAVINGS NECESSARY TO BALANCE THE 2010 AND 2011 BUDGETS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DUZYJ, SUPPORTED BY DiMARIA, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DIRECT COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS TO SUBMIT BUDGET REDUCTION PLANS AS NOTED ON THE SCHEDULE OF PROJECTED NET EXPENDITURES TO THE SEPTEMBER BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION. FURTHER, TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP OF 5 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO WORK WITH BOARD APPOINTED ADMINISTRATORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS IN SEEKING OUT THE LONG-TERM BUDGETARY SAVINGS NECESSARY TO BALANCE THE 2010 AND 2011 BUDGETS. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

AWARD REPAIR/RESTORATION PROJECT – PARKING STRUCTURE – TO RAM CONSTRUCTION SERVICES (Item Waived by Buildings, Roads & Public Works Committee Chair)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DiMARIA, SUPPORTED BY J. FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AWARD THE REPAIR/RESTORATION PROJECT – PARKING STRUCTURE – TO THE LOW QUALIFIED BIDDER, RAM CONSTRUCTION SERVICES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$103,989. FUNDS FOR THIS PROJECT ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT ON PROVIDING VIDEO AND AUDIO COVERAGE OF FULL BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS (Referred from Administrative Services Committee Meeting of 07-15-09)

MOTION

A motion was made by DiMaria, supported by Brown, to receive and file the July 8, 2009 correspondence from Mr. Phil Frame, Public Affairs Director, regarding options for offering video and audio of Board of Commissioners meetings.

The following commissioner spoke: Brown.

Mr. Phil Frame gave a verbal presentation.

The following commissioners spoke: Brown, Brdak, Bruley, Doherty, Gieleghem, Szczepanski and Vosburg.

Chair Brdak called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried with Szczepanski voting "No."**

NEW BUSINESS

A brief discussion ensued relating to the July 23rd special meeting of the Education and Training Committee which will be held at 4:30 p.m. It will be live-streamed by the Clerk's Office.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Torrice, to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

Denise M. Jacks
Committee Reporter