

**MINUTES OF THE
COURTS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2010**

At a meeting of the **Courts and Legal Affairs Committee**, held Tuesday, January 12, 2010, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Crouchman-Chair, Carabelli, DiMaria, Doherty, Lampar, Rocca, Sauger, Sprys and Tocco.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Crouchman called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Doherty, supported by Sprys, to adopt the agenda, as presented. **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Rocca, supported by Sauger, to approve the December 8, 2009 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

Chair Crouchman asked to address agenda item #7 first. There were no objections.

**PURCHASE OF TWO SECURITY PORTALS FOR 42-1 AND 42-2
DISTRICT COURTS**

Judge Denis LeDuc introduced Jennifer White, a legal assistant intern assigned to him from Macomb County College who helped work on this proposal.

The following commissioner spoke: Sprys.

Judge LeDuc outlined his request.

The following commissioners spoke: Sauger, Doherty, DiMaria and Carabelli.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SPRYS, SUPPORTED BY DIMARIA, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PURCHASE OF TWO SECURITY PORTALS FOR THE 42-1 AND 42-2 DISTRICT COURTS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000; FUNDING IS AVAILABLE FROM MONIES REFUNDED BY THE STATE OF MICHIGAN FOR OVERPAYMENT OF CIVIL FILING FEES. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

MONTHLY REPORTS FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL

George Brumbaugh spoke about a new lawsuit that was not included in his written report. He said the case was filed in Federal Court in the Western District of Michigan and involves 12 counties, including Macomb. He said he will need to have two of his staff admitted to practice in the Western District.

The following commissioner spoke: Carabelli.

MOTION

A motion was made by Sauger, supported by Doherty, to receive and file the monthly reports from Corporation Counsel. **The Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Rocca, supported by Doherty, to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter