

**MINUTES OF THE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013**

At a **special** meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Thursday, February 21, 2013, in the Board Room, on the 9<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Miller-Chair, Mocerri-Vice-Chair, Boyle, Brown, Flynn, Klinefelt, Mijac, Sabatini, Smith, Tocco and Vosburg.

Absent and excused were Carabelli and Sauger (medical reasons).

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION**

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

**CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

Chair Miller welcomed everyone and thanked Board Chair Flynn for appointing him as chair of this committee.

**MINUTES**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Flynn, supported by Smith, to approve the November 19 and December 19, 2012 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

**RECOMMENDATION FROM 2-19-13 JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
MEETING RE: INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS FOR EMERGENCY  
DISPATCH SERVICES WITH CLINTON TOWNSHIP AND STERLING HEIGHTS**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Boyle, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the intergovernmental agreements for emergency dispatch services with Clinton Township and Sterling Heights; Further, a copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

Commissioner Mocerri referred to page 3, Article 3, N, pertaining to related agreements, addenda, attachments and other documents; she asked what degree the Board would be able to make changes and when involvement would take place.

George Brumbaugh indicated that Jill Smith was involved with this contract and apologized for not being familiar with all of its terms.

Board Chair Flynn requested clarification be provided, and indicated that this had been brought up at a Justice and Public Safety Committee meeting during which it was stated that any changes, extensions or addenda should be brought back to the Board.

George Brumbaugh noted that in looking at the contract, any extensions beyond its terms, or any monetary changes, would be required to come back to the Board for approval.

Pete Provenzano commented that the contract authorizes the Office of the County Executive to execute its provisions, one of them being to change the dollar amount charged to communities. He said if any other provisions in the contract were changed, those would have to come back to the Board.

Chair Miller restated that the fee schedule could be amended unilaterally, but any other part of the agreement would have to come back to the Board for approval; Pete Provenzano confirmed this statement.

Commissioner Klinefelt made reference to the top section of page 7, specifically the two attachments, which she thought were in conflict with Section 3. Pete Provenzano said he would discuss with the attorneys who drafted the agreement.

George Brumbaugh noted that specific terms take precedence over general terms; since the item referred to by Commissioner Klinefelt was specific, changes would have to come back to the Board for approval.

Sheriff Wickersham and Pete Provenzano expressed agreement with Corporation Counsel's opinion.

Board Chair Flynn requested a written opinion from Corporation Counsel regarding changes.

The following commissioners spoke: Smith, Klinefelt and Brown.

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

#### **QUARTERLY EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE REPORTS FOR 12-31-12**

Pete Provenzano overviewed the reports and stated that the general fund is 20 percent under budget, which is due to savings in personnel and operating expenses.

The following commissioners spoke: Brown, Sabatini, Mijac, Flynn and Miller.

Chair Miller stated that Pete Provenzano has agreed to include more information in these reports and he asked commissioners to let him know what additional detail they feel is necessary. He said he would like to see something included about FTE's, a list of measurables and outcomes and line item transfers.

Commissioner Vosburg suggested future reports include an indication if the monies received and spent are in line with expectations for the quarterly time period in which they fall, as well as a notation as to which budget adjustments had been approved by the Board and which were internal line item changes.

Board Chair Flynn asked that commissioners submit suggestions regarding future reports in writing to him or Chair Miller.

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Mijac, to receive and file the Quarterly Revenue and Expenditure Reports for the period ending December 31, 2012 as submitted by the County Executive's Office. **The Motion Carried.**

### **APPOINTMENTS OF LAW FIRMS**

#### **MOTION**

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

McConaghy & Nyovich, PLLC to represent the County in the litigation entitled John P. Greiner, Jr. vs. the Charter County of Macomb and

Martin Bacon & Martin to represent the County in the litigation entitled James Douglas Wuolukka vs. Jonathan Jarred Ramlow, County of Macomb and Auto Club Insurance Association.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg and Flynn.

Board Chair Flynn referred to project labor harmony agreements and requested that Corporation Counsel provide an update or report at a future meeting. George Brumbaugh said he would provide a written report to the commissioners.

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

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Chair Miller noted a January 28, 2013 letter from Judge Denis LeDuc to County Executive Hackel regarding additional security for the 42-1 District Court.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Sabatini, supported by Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**



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**Corinne Bedard**  
**Committee Reporter**