

**MINUTES OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2013**

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Thursday, April 11, 2013, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

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

Absent and excused was Smith.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

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

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chair Miller requested a moment of silence for former commissioner Bobby Hill, who passed away on April 9th. He also provided some historical facts.

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Boyle, to approve the March 14, 2013 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 4-8-13 GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

CONTRACT WITH BELLANCA LABARGE, P.C./CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Sauger, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Clerk/Register of Deeds to enter into a professional services contract with Bellanca LaBarge, PC, to develop and implement the recommended processes, agreements and policies needed to establish a tract index in the Office of the Macomb County Register of Deeds at a cost not to exceed \$214,000 over two years; funds are available in the Register of Deeds Automation Fund #27023601, the use of which is restricted by state law to automation and technology improvements in the Office of the Register of Deeds; Further, authorize the transfer in this fund of \$214,000 from New Equipment 97002 to Contract Services – Professional 80142 with any remaining funds carried over each budget year for use during this two-year contract; 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.**

CONTRACT WITH ACS ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS, LLC, FOR COMPUTER INDEX IMPROVEMENTS OF TAX ID NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES/CLERK/ROD

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Klinefelt, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the Register of Deeds contract with ACS Enterprise Solutions, LLC for computer index improvements of tax ID numbers and addresses at a rate of \$150 per hour for 275 hours at a total cost not to exceed \$41,250; funds are available in the Register of Deeds Technology Fund 27023601, which is restricted to Register of Deeds improvements; 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.**

CONTRACT WITH ACS ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS, LLC, FOR COMPUTER INDEX IMPROVEMENTS OF NAME FIELD STANDARDIZATION/CLERK/ROD

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mijac, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the Register of Deeds contract with ACS Enterprise Solutions, LLC for computer index improvements of name field standardization for 2.2 million documents at a cost of \$0.44 per document for a total cost not to exceed \$488,750 per year for two years for a total two-year contract price not to exceed \$977,500; funds are available in the Register of Deeds Technology Fund 27023601, which is restricted to Register of Deeds improvements; 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.**

BUDGET AMENDMENT/CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS/CONCEALED PISTOL LICENSE PROCESSING LOBBY COUNTER PURCHASE & TWO TEMPORARY WORKERS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Sauger, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize a budget amendment in the amount of \$35,200 to provide funding that will allow the Clerk/Register of Deeds to hire two temporary workers for up to six months and purchase the counter in the lobby of the Courthouse; the budget amendment will be budget neutral by increasing charges for service revenue by \$35,200, with a corresponding increase in expenses of \$35,200 (Salaries and Wages \$25,160 + Fringe Benefits \$2,040 + New Equipment \$8,000); Further, this budget action addresses budgetary issues only. It does 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.**

BUDGET AMENDMENT/CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS/AUTOMATION FUND- CONTRACT SERVICES (\$41,250)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Vosburg, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize a budget amendment to increase the Register of Deeds Automation Fund – Contract Services (27023601 – 80128) by \$41,250 to be balanced with a corresponding increase to the Automation Fund fund balance (27023601 – 69905); Further, this budget action addresses budgetary issues only. It does 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.**

BUDGET AMENDMENT/CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS/AUTOMATION FUND- CONTRACT SERVICES (\$977,500)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mijac, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize a budget amendment to increase the Register of Deeds Automation Fund – Contract Services (27023601 – 80128) by \$488,750, for each of the years 2013 and 2014, for a total two-year adjustment of \$977,500 with any additional funds carried over each year to be used through the term of the two-year contract, to be balanced with a corresponding increase to the Automation Fund fund balance (27023601 – 69905); Further, this budget action addresses budgetary issues only. It does 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 RESOLUTIONS

SUPPORTING TAX-EXEMPT MUNICIPAL BONDS (OFFERED BY MILLER)

A revised resolution was distributed.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Sauger, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution supporting tax-exempt municipal bonds.

Chair Miller referenced an article, "NACo Presses to Protect Muni-Bond Tax Exemption," from the NACo County News (March 25, 2013, edition) which included these facts from a joint report: "State and local jurisdictions issued \$1.65 trillion in municipal bonds for infrastructure projects between 2003-2012," and "If proposals to eliminate the federal tax exemption for muni-bonds had been in place over the same time period, it would have cost state and local governments an additional \$495 billion in interest expense." Chair Miller noted that House Resolution 112 is pending in U.S. Congress.

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

SUPPORTING EXPANSION OF THE MEDICAID PROGRAM UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (OFFERED BY MOCERI)

A revised resolution was provided. Also distributed was an article, "Snyder calls for Medicaid expansion to improve health, save money; Greater access to care, lower business costs among benefits," from Michigan.Gov (April 10, 2013) and an issue brief from the Center for Healthcare Research & Transformation (October 2012) titled "The ACA's Medicaid Expansion: Michigan Impact."

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Mocerri, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution supporting expansion of the Medicaid Program under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

The following commissioners spoke: Brown, Flynn, Vosburg and Miller.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

VOTING YES WERE BOYLE, FLYNN, KLINEFELT, MIJAC, MILLER, MOCERI, SAUGER AND TOCCO. THERE WERE 8 "YES" VOTES.

VOTING NO WERE BROWN, CARABELLI AND VOSBURG. THERE WERE 3 "NO" VOTES.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Miller noted that correspondence was received from Tim Joy, a board member of the Macomb County Provider Alliance (MCPA), requesting a continued exemption from compliance with the Living Wage Policy for all organizations that are members of the MCPA. He said he will be reviewing this issue and hopes to have it on next month's agenda.

ADOPTION OF PROCLAMATIONS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Carabelli, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the following proclamations:

Commending Jane Cassidy – retirement from MEA-NEA Local 1 (offered by Flynn) and

Honoring Father Giulio Schiavi – 50th anniversary (offered by Sabatini and Smith).

Chair Miller requested to be included on the proclamation for Jane Cassidy. There were no objections.

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

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m.
The Motion Carried.



**Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter**