

**MINUTES OF THE
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2012

At a meeting of the **Health & Human Services Committee**, held Tuesday, April 10, 2012, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Moceri-Chair, Flynn, Fraschetti, Miller and Tocco.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Moceri called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

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

COMMUNITY / HUMAN SERVICES

a) Presentation by Chuck O'Brien, Director, Macomb Homeless Coalition

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed.

Chuck O'Brien gave a PowerPoint slide presentation titled:

The Macomb Homeless Coalition
The Continuum of Care for Macomb County

Key topics covered included:

- A planning and collaborative body of service agencies, private organizations and government departments
- 501(c)3 organization, established 1984
- Oversight by 15 member Board
 - Primary decision making body for the Continuum of Care in Macomb County
- 7 staff – primarily grant funded

- Administration
- Data and Planning
- Events and Service

- Effective summer of 2011:
 - Continuum of Care Coordinator position moved from the County to the Macomb Homeless Coalition
 - Hired Director, expanded role

- Who is homeless in Macomb County?
- Next Point in Time Count January 2013

Some Current Numbers
March 2011 to March 2012
Clients Served: 2,773

- Homeless for the first time 54%
- Single female parent with children 907
 - In # households: 325
- Number under age of 10 years: 19%
- Number under age of 17 years: 31%

Some primary reasons of homelessness
Self-reported in 2011-2012:
Singles / Families

- Underemployment (19% / 16%)
- Eviction/foreclosure (23% / 25%)
- No affordable housing (21% / 23%)
- Domestic assault (5% / 20%)
- Job loss (21% / 13%)

- Some current challenges
- How to help?

The following commissioners spoke: Frascchetti, Flynn and Mocerri.

MOTION

A motion was made by Flynn, supported by Tocco, to receive and file the presentation by Chuck O'Brien, Director, Macomb Homeless Coalition. **The Motion Carried.**

b) Receive and File Information on Tri-County Vehicle Assistance

MOTION

A motion was made by Frascchetti, supported by Flynn, to receive and file information on Tri-County Vehicle Assistance. **The Motion Carried.**

VETERANS

a) Veterans' Services Department Monthly Report

A copy of the Veterans' Services monthly report was distributed.

Kermit Harris overviewed his monthly report.

The following commissioners spoke: Mocerri and Frascchetti.

MOTION

A motion was made by Frascchetti, supported by Flynn, to receive and file the monthly status report for March 2012 as submitted by Kermit Harris, Director of Veterans' Services Department. **The Motion Carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

a) Receive and File Request to Review Cash Management Policy and Procedures for Fundraising Monies Received

b) Receive and File Request for Additional Information Regarding Senior Citizen Services Department Budget Amendment (\$29,057.93)

Chair Mocerri indicated she has not received an update on either items (a) or (b). She noted it is not clear whether or not requested additional information relating to the Senior Citizen Services Department budget amendment will be submitted in time for tomorrow's Finance Committee meeting. She further noted correspondence from the Office of County Executive indicated they are working on it, but there is no other information or timeline related to the requested additional information.

MOTION

A motion was made by Frascchetti, supported by Tocco, to receive and file the following items under Old Business: a) Request to review Cash Management Policy and Procedures for fundraising monies received and b) Request for additional information regarding Senior Citizen Services Department budget amendment in the amount of \$29,057.93. **The Motion Carried.**

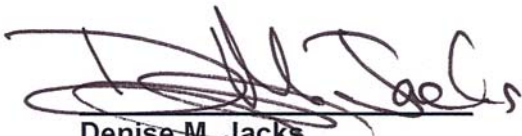
NEW BUSINESS

Chair Mocerri informed committee members about two recent press releases: 1) The Health Department received accreditation from the State of Michigan and 2) The Macomb Healthy Living Expo will be held on Saturday, April 21st.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Frascchetti, supported by Tocco, to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**



Denise M. Jacks
Committee Reporter