

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2012

At a **special** meeting of the **Health & Human Services Committee**, held Tuesday, August 28, 2012, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

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

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Moceri called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

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

**RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION (RFI)
DATED 08-21-12:**

- a) **Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse**
- b) **Community Services Agency**
- c) **Health Grants**

Commissioner Miller moved to receive and file items (a) through (c) in their entirety.

MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Flynn, to receive and file the following Requests for Information dated 08-21-12 for Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Community Services Agency, and Health Grants. **The Motion Carried.**

**REVIEW RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR SPECIAL REVENUE AND ENTERPRISE
FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEARS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 AND 2014 FOR THE
FOLLOWING:**

Chair Mocerri indicated that Steve Gold had a meeting to attend later this morning, so she requested to move item #6(d) first, next would be item #6(c) and last would be items #6(a) and (b). There were no objections.

d) Health Grants

Steve Gold was present to answer questions.

An amended version of pages C-18, C-19 and C-20 were provided.

Pete Provenzano referred to page C-18 and noted a majority of the Health Department grants are grant-funded and only a very small portion (about 13%) requires a General Fund appropriation.

He noted two changes on page C-19:

- Elimination of Warren Housing Inspection (two positions)
- Increase of 1.5 positions in CSCHS/Outreach

The following commissioners spoke: Flynn, Miller and Mocerri.

During discussion, Commissioner Miller directed questions to Pete Provenzano pertaining to page A-8, under the heading "Health Grants" particularly the last sentence which stated: "Major cost savings initiatives are expected to be made in the Health Fund when the budget for the December 31 funds is prepared."

During discussion, Chair Mocerri directed questions to Steve Gold pertaining to the Request for Information (RFI) dated 08-21-12 HHS Comm Health Grants.

During discussion, questions were directed to Pete Provenzano and Steve Gold pertaining to page C-18; specifically relating to the following line items:

- Personnel
- Contract Services
- Supplies & Services

c) Community Services Agency

Pete Provenzano referred to page C-12 and noted approximately 95% of the funding for Community Services Agency comes from State and Federal grants.

The following commissioners spoke: Tocco, Mocerri, Flynn, Miller and Frascchetti.

During discussion, questions were directed to Pete Provenzano and Mary Solomon pertaining to pages C-12 and C-15; specifically relating to the following line items:

- Personnel
- Macomb Food Program
- Feeding America
- Home Delivered Meals
- Transportation
- Internal Services
- Head Start
- Early Headstart
- General Community Programming
- Special Projects
- Federal Commodity Distribution

During discussion, Commissioner Flynn referred to page C-15 and questioned the Macomb Food Program line item in the amount of \$2.5 million. Mary Solomon said she would check into the amount reflected and report back.

During discussion, Commissioner Tocco inquired if volunteer recognition events are held at taxpayer expense. Mary Solomon said no taxpayer money is used.

During discussion, Chair Mocerri inquired if any programs are fully funded by the General Fund. Mary Solomon said no and that most are fully supported by grant dollars.

During discussion, Chair Mocerri asked about the positions eliminated in 2013. Pete Provenzano referred to page C-14 and noted there are seven positions being eliminated which are related to the Weatherization Program, due to the expiration of American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant money. He indicated that one position is being redeployed to the General Community Programming line item.

During discussion, Chair Mocerri asked Mary Solomon to provide a summary of the six National Performance Goals and Indicators that they report under utilizing the Results Oriented Management and Accountability (ROMA) system. Mary Solomon indicated she would forward that information.

During discussion, Chair Mocerri directed questions to Mary Solomon pertaining to the Request for Information (RFI) dated 08-21-12 HHS Comm Community Services Agency.

a) Community Mental Health Department

Pete Provenzano referred to page C-6 and noted the Mental Health Fund represents 96% of the total budget of the Community Mental Health Department. He reported 98% of their revenues are provided by Medicare, Medicaid and the State General Fund.

John Kinch, Executive Director, gave an overview of the services and programs provided by the Community Mental Health Department and Office of Substance Abuse. Collectively, they serve around 20,000 consumers each year. He spoke about health care reform coming by January 2014 and Macomb County needs to be responsive and ready for the tremendous demand of their services. He reported that one-quarter of the county's population (about 220,000) will be on Medicaid on January 1, 2014. He explained how the General Fund allocation will be pretty much eliminated at that time.

b) Substance Abuse

Pete Provenzano referred to page C-29 and noted the Substance Abuse Fund represents four percent of Community Mental Health's activity. He reported most of their revenues are provided by Medicare, Medicaid and State money. He noted the vast majority of the money located in the Transfers in – General Fund line item, \$1 million of the \$1.2 million that is budgeted is liquor tax distribution and the remaining amount are grant matches.

Commissioner Miller directed questions to Helen Klingert, Assistant Director, Office of Substance Abuse, pertaining to page C-29; specifically relating to the Contract Services line item.

Commissioner Miller directed questions to Anna Tack from Community Mental Health, pertaining to page C-6; specifically relating to the Contract Services line item.

After discussion, Chair Mocerri indicated that she will entertain amendments or if commissioners want time to consider the information presented today, she would schedule another special meeting of this committee.

Note: There was no action taken at today's special Health & Human Services Committee meeting.

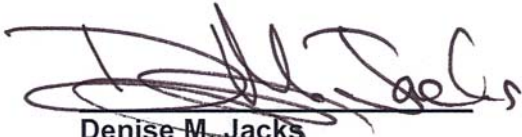
NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Flynn asked when the next special Health & Human Services Committee meeting will be scheduled. Chair Mocerri indicated it will depend if commissioners have amendments to offer. She noted the next Health & Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for September 11th and the Finance Committee will meet on September 12th.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Frascchetti, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise M. Jacks", written over a horizontal line.

Denise M. Jacks
Committee Reporter