

**MINUTES OF THE
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2013**

At a meeting of the **Health and Human Services Committee**, held Monday, June 17, 2013, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Mocerri-Chair, Boyle-Vice-Chair, Klinefelt, Mijac, Miller, Sauger, Tocco and Flynn (ex-officio).

Other Commissioners Also Present: Vosburg.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Mocerri 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 Miller, supported by Boyle, to adopt the agenda, as presented. **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Boyle, supported by Klinefelt, to approve the May 8, 2013 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

VETERANS

**VETERANS SERVICES DEPARTMENT MONTHLY STATUS REPORT –
MAY, 2013**

Kermit Harris summarized his monthly report and spoke about initiatives that have been developed, including a claims process that has shortened the timeline for completion of claims and a pilot process for appeal avoidance. He also announced his resignation which will be effective July 26.

The following commissioners spoke: Boyle, Klinefelt, Vosburg and Mocerri.

Commissioner Tocco spoke about concerns expressed at her recent Government Operations Committee meeting from constituents regarding the placement of a county-branded flag near a POW flag at Freedom Hill and she wondered if there is any protocol for flag placement. Mr. Harris said he will look into that.

Commissioner Boyle requested information on the proper protocol for a memorial area dedicated to veterans.

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Sauger, to receive and file the Monthly Status Report for May, 2013, as submitted by Kermit Harris, Director of Veterans Services. **The Motion Carried.**

COMMUNITY SERVICES

BUDGET AMENDMENT/CSA/EVIDENCE BASED DISEASE PREVENTION PROGRAM INCREASE

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Klinefelt, to forward to the Finance Committee a recommendation to approve an increase in the previously approved Macomb County Community Services Agency's Senior Nutrition FY 2012/13 budget for the Evidence Based Disease Prevention/Health Promotion Program in the amount of \$500, bringing the total grant amount to \$7,200; 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.**

CONTRACT AMENDMENTS/CSA LAWN MAINTENANCE-O'NEAL FATHER & SONS LANDSCAPING, UNIVERSAL LAWN CARE AND ZIMMERMAN LAWN & SNOW

Chair Mocerri noted that the time limit for Board approval of the three contracts had passed and the Office of the County Executive had proceeded to sign them. At this point, the contracts are before committee for informational purposes.

Mary Solomon, Director of the Community Services Agency, gave an overview. She stated that after receiving notice from current providers of their inability to continue providing lawn service to seniors, the department worked with these three existing contractors to take on that additional work with no disruption of service.

MOTION

A motion was made by Klinefelt, supported by Miller, to receive and file the information provided on the CSA lawn maintenance contract amendments. **The Motion Carried.**

HEALTH

BUDGET AMENDMENT/HEALTH/FISCAL GRANT FUND-EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Bill Ridella, Director/Health Officer, stated that this is an award from the National Association of County and City Health Officials and supports development of Medical Reserve Corps units.

MOTION

A motion was made by Sauger, supported by Miller, to forward to the Finance Committee a recommendation to amend the Health Department Fiscal Grant Fund in the amount of \$4,000 with an increase in Other Revenue and accompanying increases in Supplies & Services and Conference and Training; 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/HEALTH/MDARD ANIMAL WELFARE FUND

Bill Ridella stated that this is a grant award from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development and supports training for the Animal Control Officers.

MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Tocco, to forward to the Finance Committee a recommendation to amend the Health Department Fiscal Grant Fund in the amount of \$1,100 with an increase in State-Other Revenue and accompanying increases in Supplies & Services and Conference & Training; 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/HEALTH/FISCAL GRANT FUND-CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE

Bill Ridella stated that this is a grant award from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and supports the monitoring of several beaches during the summer.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Boyle, to forward to the Finance Committee a recommendation to amend the Health Department Fiscal Grant Fund in the amount of \$7,534 with an increase in State-Grants Revenue and accompanying increases in Conference & Training, Salaries & Wages, Contractual Services and Internal Service Costs; 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 following commissioners spoke: Klinefelt, Miller, Mocerri and Flynn.

Chair Mocerri requested a copy of the line item budget for this grant.

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

ADOPT RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE THE \$20 BILLION IN CUTS TO SNAP IN H.R. 1947 FEDERAL AGRICULTURE REFORM AND RISK MANAGEMENT (FARRM) ACT OF 2013 (OFFERED BY MOCERI)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Tocco, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to oppose the \$20 billion in cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) in H.R. 1947 Federal Agriculture Reform and Risk Management Act (FARRM) of 2013.

The following commissioners spoke: Klinefelt, Miller, Mocerri and Flynn.

Chair Mocerri called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH KLINEFELT VOTING "NO."**

PRESENTATION BY ED McARDLE, CONSERVATION CHAIR, SIERRA CLUB OF MICHIGAN, ON REASONS FOR OPPOSING ONTARIO POWER GENERATION'S PROPOSAL TO BURY NUCLEAR WASTE IN THE GREAT LAKES BASIN

Ed McArdle thanked committee for its proposed resolution and provided additional background on the current proposal by Ontario Power Generation to construct a Deep Geological Repository for Ontario's low and intermediate level radioactive waste at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station. He also provided a map of the nuclear hot spots in the Great Lakes region.

The following commissioner spoke: Mocerri.

ADOPT RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORY IN ONTARIO, CANADA, NOR ANY OTHER UNDERGROUND REPOSITORY BE CONSTRUCTED IN THE GREAT LAKES BASIN, IN CANADA, THE UNITED STATES OR ANY FIRST NATION PROPERTY (OFFERED BY MOCERI)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Mijac, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to oppose the construction of an underground nuclear waste repository in Ontario, Canada, nor any other underground repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin, in Canada, the United States or any First Nation property. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Mocerri noted the correspondence that was provided: 5-17-13 memo to the Office of County Executive regarding contract for the Macomb County Medical Examiner and their response dated 5-20-13. She said a special meeting of this committee has been scheduled for July 25 which will only focus on the issues with the Medical Examiner.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Chair Flynn said he met with representatives from DTE Energy and was provided an update on smart meters and commissioners will be receiving the information that he received. He noted that there is an opt-out provision that has been instituted by DTE.

Chair Mocerri said she is working on having Monique Stanton from CARE of Southeastern Michigan attend a meeting to provide an update on growing concerns within Macomb County and discuss actions the Board can take to support them.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Russell Holtslander, 23140 Wellington Crescent, Clinton Township

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Klinefelt, to adjourn the meeting at 10 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**



**Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter**