

**MINUTES OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2009

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Wednesday, March 25, 2009, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Kepler-Chair, Accavitti, Boyle, Brdak, Brown, Bruley, Camphous-Peterson, Carabelli, Crouchman, DiMaria, Doherty, Duzyj, D. Flynn, J. Flynn, Gielegem, Lampar, Mijac, Moceri, Rengert, Rocca, Sauger, Szczepanski, Tocco, Torrice and Vosburg.

Absent and excused was Sprys.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Kepler called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Camphous-Peterson, to adopt the agenda, as amended, to include #11a, #12e (resolution) and six additional travel requests. **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Doherty, supported by Vosburg, to approve the February 25, 2009 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Brian Panabrack, Shelby Township
Leon Drolet, 46116 Lookout Drive, Macomb Township
Donna Cangemi, Sterling Heights
Dale Schomo, 17828 Anna Court, Macomb Township
Mark Miller, 27224 Elaina Marie, Chesterfield Twp.
Gary Sanoa, 45451 Fielding, Macomb Township
Philis DeSaele, 42430 Utica Road, Sterling Heights
Linda Godfrey, 8938 Hensley Drive, Sterling Heights
Nancy Nevers, 49699 Lear Drive, Macomb Township
Dan Tollis, 43370 Devin, Clinton Township

Judy Van Noy, 4678 Timber Ridge Drive, Bruce Township
Douglas Frank, 37762 E. Horseshoe Drive, Clinton Township
Lyle Koch, 43 Ferron Place, Mt. Clemens
Judy Strong, 20054 15 Mile, Clinton Township
Arnold Schultes, 53078 Scenic Drive, Shelby Township
David Maquera, 20820 Nucci Drive, Clinton Township
Simon Hadak, 37796 Horseshoe Drive East, Clinton Township
Jack Malloy, 35122 Kessler Court, Clinton Township
Gerry Maynard, 45128 Utica Green East, Shelby Township

LIST OF BILLS AS PREPARED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CAMPHOUS-PETERSON, SUPPORTED BY DUZYJ, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE MONTHLY BILLS (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,127,528.47 WITH NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS. **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH TORRICE ABSTAINING FROM BILLS FOR TORRICE AND ZALEWSKI, PLLC/FEES-DEFENSE ATTORNEYS).**

DISPLAYING LIST OF BILLS ON INTERNET

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARABELLI, SUPPORTED BY D. FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE DISPLAYING OF THE MONTHLY LIST OF BILLS ON THE INTERNET. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

PURCHASE OF VEHICLE/FRIEND OF THE COURT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOHERTY, SUPPORTED BY SZCZEPANSKI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR WITH THE FLEET MANAGER AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2009 DODGE AVENGER SE FOR THE FRIEND OF THE COURT TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, SLINGERLAND DODGE, OWOSSO, MICHIGAN, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,909; FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE FRIEND OF THE COURT GRANT.

The following commissioner spoke: Doherty.

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

APPOINTMENTS OF LAW FIRMS

MOTION

A motion was made by Doherty, supported by Camphous-Peterson, to concur with the appointment of the following law firms:

Garan, Lucow & Miller, P.C. to represent Macomb County and Macomb County Sheriff's Office in the litigation entitled the estate of Richard Donald Pfister, Jr. vs. County of Macomb, et al, now pending in the Macomb County Circuit Court and

Martin, Bacon & Martin, P.C. to represent Macomb County and Macomb County Sheriff's Office in the litigation entitled Walter Woo vs. Macomb County and Macomb County Sheriff's Office, now pending in the Macomb County Circuit Court.

The following commissioner spoke: Bruley.

Chair Kepler called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried with Carabelli voting "No."**

ADDITIONAL NAMES FOR DEPARTMENTAL CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT/DEPT. OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (RECOMMENDED BY PED COMMITTEE ON 3-18-09)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CAMPHOUS-PETERSON, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE ADDITIONAL NAMES TO BE ADDED TO THE DEPARTMENTAL CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT, AS OUTLINED IN A MARCH 10, 2009 CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Carabelli, Doherty, DiMaria and Crouchman.

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

REQUEST FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TO GERMANY/DEPT. OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (RECOMMENDED BY PED COMMITTEE ON 3-18-09)

MOTION

A motion was made by DiMaria, supported by Vosburg, to approve the request by the Department of Planning and Economic Development for international travel to Germany.

The following commissioner spoke: Boyle.

Chair Kepler called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried** with Boyle voting "No."

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUEST FROM MACOMB/ST. CLAIR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING AGENCY TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR 2009-2012 (RECOMMENDED BY EDUCATION & TRAINING COMMITTEE ON 3-18-09)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY D. FLYNN, SUPPORTED BY MIJAC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUEST FROM THE MACOMB ST. CLAIR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING AGENCY TO THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR 2009-2012 CONTRACT BUDGET. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RENGERT, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS:

COMMENDING JAY NORAN ON HIS INAUGURATION AS PRESIDENT OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY (OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR);

COMMENDING MARY BECKETT – RETIREMENT FROM RAY TOWNSHIP FIRE & RESCUE (OFFERED BY RENGERT);

SUPPORTING THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN STERLING HEIGHTS/UTICA/SHELBY TOWNSHIP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND FUSION (OFFERED BY D. FLYNN);

COMMENDING AND THANKING CHAIRMAN LI OF BEIJING FOR HOSTING LAKE SHORE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AT BEIJING HAI DIAN FOREIGN LANGUAGE SHI YAN SCHOOL (OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR) AND

COMMENDING MICHAEL LOHRER – EAGLE SCOUT (OFFERED BY BROWN).

THE MOTION CARRIED.

TRAVEL REQUESTS

MOTION

A motion was made by Doherty, supported by J. Flynn, to approve the travel requests as submitted.

The following commissioners spoke: Doherty and Brown.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION

MOTION

A motion was made by Szczepanski, supported by Camphous-Peterson, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Voting Yes were Accavitti, Boyle, Brdak, Brown, Camphous-Peterson, Carabelli, Crouchman, DiMaria, Doherty, Duzyj, D. Flynn, J. Flynn, Gielegghem, Lampar, Mijac, Mocerri, Rengert, Rocca, Sauger, Szczepanski, Tocco, Torrice, Vosburg, Bruley and Kepler. There were 25 "Yes" votes.

The Motion Carried.

In accordance with the motion, committee entered Executive Session at 10:29 a.m., with it concluding at 10:53 a.m.

RECOMMENDATION FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL REGARDING CASE OF KRS A-E EQUITIES VS. MACOMB COUNTY

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DUZYJ, SUPPORTED BY ACCAVITTI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING THE CASE OF KRS A-E EQUITIES VS. MACOMB COUNTY. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Dan Tollis, 43370 Devin, Clinton Township
Simon Hadak, 37796 Horseshoe Drive East, Clinton Township
Philis DeSaele, 42430 Utica Road, Sterling Heights

Dale Schomo, 17828 Anna Court, Macomb Township
Linda Godfrey, 8938 Hensley Drive, Sterling Heights
Nancy Demling, 20776 Moxon Court, Clinton Township

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Tocco, to adjourn the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

The Motion Carried.

**Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter**