

**MINUTES OF THE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2013**

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Wednesday, April 24, 2013, in the Board Room, on the 9<sup>th</sup> 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, Smith, Tocco and Vosburg.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Sauger, supported by Brown, to adopt the agenda, as amended, to include

**The Motion Carried.**

**CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

Chair Miller provided some historical facts.

**UPDATE ON EMERGENCY SITUATION AT COUNTY BUILDING**

Mark Deldin, Vicki Wolber, John Anderson, Lynn Arnott-Bryks and Sandy Jurek each provided updates from their respective areas of responsibility about the fire at the County Building and resulting emergency situation.

Status updates included information regarding the Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP), insurance coverage, cause of fire and known equipment and structural damages. Comments also included updates on backing up the system, what equipment in the building was destroyed and what can be rebuilt, equipment cleaning process, temporary relocation of departments and building needs and issues.

Honorable John Foster, Chief Circuit Court Judge, and Jennifer Phillips, Court Administrator, spoke about the impact of the fire on court operations and what they were able to do on a temporary basis.

Scott Hill, Independent Counsel, highlighted the issues in the Contracting Policy and Procurement Ordinance pertaining to an emergency situation.

The following commissioners spoke: Flynn, Klinefelt, Vosburg, Sauger and Brown.

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Sauger, to receive and file the updates provided on the emergency situation at the County Building. **The Motion Carried.**

### **REQUEST FROM CLERK FOR TEMPORARY REHIRE OF RETIRED DEPUTY REGISTER OF DEEDS (WAIVED BY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR)**

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Mijac, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the County Clerk/Register of Deeds to rehire retired Deputy Register of Deeds Betty Oleksik for up to 45 working days to aid in the transition of staff to the new location due to the fire in the County Building; 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 asked questions of Carmella Sabaugh: Vosburg and Miller.

Commissioner Tocco stated that since the need to rehire the employee is a result of the fire, the possibility of making an associated insurance claim for the amount of wages should be investigated.

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

### **REQUEST FROM EQUALIZATION DIRECTOR TO REVISE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED (2-27-13) RESOLUTION REGARDING THE REHIRING OF RETIRED EQUALIZATION MANAGER**

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Sauger, supported by Vosburg, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve a revision to the previously approved (2-27-13) resolution regarding the rehiring of the retired Equalization Manager until such time that the vacant full-time budgeted position is filled and the new person is properly trained, for a period not to exceed 180 days, per County Charter Section 10.6.2; 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.**

**REQUEST FROM COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY DIRECTOR TO APPROVE  
AMENDMENT AND SUBMITTAL OF 2011 MACOMB HOME CONSORTIUM  
CONSOLIDATED PLAN (WAIVED BY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIR)**

The following commissioners asked questions of Mary Solomon, Joe Cook and Carrie Fortune: Carabelli, Miller and Brown.

Chair Miller, referring to the amendment, expressed concern about a lack of dialogue prior to submission and encouraged more communication in the future. He also noted that the transfer of Community Development staff from the Planning and Economic Development Department to the Community Services Agency, an organizational change, occurred without communication or notice to the Board.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Vosburg, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the amendment and submittal of the 2011 Macomb HOME Consortium Consolidated Plan to reflect the allocation of previously approved funds totaling \$1,314,848 to identified projects; 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.**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF 4-22-13**

**BUDGET AMENDMENT/CSA/EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Sauger, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve an increase in budgeted revenues and expenditures in the 2012/2013 Macomb County Community Services Agency's The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFA) Fund in the amount of \$78,900, bringing the total grant amount to \$159,090; 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/CSA/ENERGY ASSISTANCE**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Vosburg, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve an increase in budgeted revenues and expenditures in the 2012/2013 Macomb County Community Services Agency's Michigan Public Service

Commission/Energy Assistance Program (EAP) Fund in the amount of \$52,187, bringing the total grant amount to \$129,851; 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/GLRI-BEACH MODELING AND RAPID WATER TESTING**

#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Carabelli, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve an increase in budgeted revenues and expenditures for the 2012/2013 Health Department's Health Grant Fund to accommodate the end date extension for GLRI – Beach Modeling and GLRI – Rapid Water Testing Programs in the aggregate amount of \$70,461.12; 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.**

#### **APPROVE 2013 EQUALIZATION REPORT**

Vice-Chair Mocerri chaired the meeting.

The following commissioners asked questions of Steve Mellen: Klinefelt and Vosburg.

#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Tocco, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the 2013 Equalization Report recommendation as submitted by the Equalization Department; 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: Brown and Carabelli.

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

#### **APPOINTMENT OF LAW FIRM**

##### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Sabatini, supported by Brown, to concur in the appointment of the law firm of York Dolan & Tomlinson, PC to represent the County defendants in the

litigation entitled Angela Dobbs as next friend for Brooke Dobbs, a minor vs. Road Commission of Macomb County which is pending in the Macomb County Circuit Court.

The following commissioner spoke: Tocco.

Vice-Chair Mocerri called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

**DISCUSSION OF REQUEST FROM MACOMB COUNTY PROVIDER ALLIANCE FOR CONTINUED EXEMPTION FROM COMPLIANCE WITH LIVING WAGE POLICY**

Tim Joy, Board Member, Macomb County Provider Alliance (MCPA), provided an explanation on why their organizations are requesting a continued exemption from the Living Wage Policy.

The following commissioners spoke: Tocco, Vosburg, Flynn and Klinefelt.

Brief discussion took place regarding the process that will be used for exemption requests.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Sabatini, supported by Klinefelt, to receive and file the request from the Macomb County Provider Alliance. **The Motion Carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence was provided.

**ADOPTION OF PROCLAMATIONS**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

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

Memorial proclamation for Bobby Hill (offered by Miller);

Commending Tom Wing – Chosen 2013 Lutheran Layman of the Year (offered by Klinefelt) and

Commending Zuccaro's Holiday House – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (offered by Sabatini and Vosburg).

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Sabatini, to adjourn the meeting at 10:54 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**



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**Corinne Bedard**  
**Committee Reporter**