

**MINUTES OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2013**

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Thursday, September 12, 2013, in the Board Room, on the 9th 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 9:17 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

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

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Miller provided some historical facts.

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Sauger, to approve the July 11 and 18, 2013 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

**RECEIVE & FILE MACOMB COUNTY BOC STATEMENT ON 2014 BUDGET
APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AND FY 2014 BUDGET AMENDMENT
PROPOSALS CHART**

Board Chair Flynn and Finance Chair Miller each thanked commissioners and staff for their work and effort during the budget review process. They highlighted items in the distributed documents entitled "BOC 2014 Appropriations Statement and FY 2014 Budget Amendment Proposals Chart." Chair Miller explained that the budget amendments would be introduced as a complete package and commissioners were entitled to separate items.

The following commissioners spoke: Carabelli, Smith, Vosburg and Klinefelt.

MOTION

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the Macomb County BOC Statement on 2014 Budget Appropriations Ordinance and FY 2014 Budget Amendment Proposals Chart. **The Motion Carried.**

ADOPT FY 2014 COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE

A revised ordinance dated 9-11-13 was provided.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Flynn, supported by Mocerri, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the FY 2014 Comprehensive General Appropriations Ordinance; further, a copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Brown, to delete Item Ref. A in Appendix A: Appropriations, General Fund, Appropriations-Other, Contingency Line Item, Executive Recommended \$200,000, Commission Approved \$0.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Mijac, Smith, Flynn and Miller.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment, as follows:

Voting Yes were Brown, Carabelli, Sabatini and Vosburg. There were 4 "Yes" votes.

Voting No were Boyle, Flynn, Klinefelt, Mijac, Miller, Mocerri, Sauger, Smith and Tocco. There were 9 "No" votes.

The Motion was Defeated.

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Klinefelt, supported by Brown, to delete Item Ref. D, County Executive, General Fund, Contract Services, Executive Recommended \$187,500, Commission Approved \$137,500; Item Ref. E, County Executive, General Fund, Salaries and Wages, Executive Recommended, \$814,816, Commission Approved \$695,322, and Item Ref. F, County Executive, General Fund, Fringe Benefits, Executive Recommended \$319,462, Commission Approved \$288,956.

The following commissioners spoke: Klinefelt, Miller, Mijac, Flynn and Boyle.

Commissioner Sabatini offered a friendly amendment to separate D. That was agreed to by the maker and supporter.

Chair Miller called for a vote on D and **The Motion was Defeated.**

Chair Miller called for a vote on E and F and **The Motion was Defeated.**

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Boyle, to delete Item Ref. J, Ethics Board, General Fund, Salaries and Wages, Executive Recommended \$0, Commission Approved \$30,000, and Item Ref. K, Ethics Board, General Fund, Fringe Benefits, Executive Recommended \$0, Commission Approved \$30,000.

The following commissioners spoke: Carabelli, Smith, Boyle, Sabatini, Mocerri, Mijac, Miller, Vosburg, Sauger and Klinefelt.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment, as follows:

Voting Yes were Boyle, Brown, Carabelli, Sabatini, Smith and Vosburg. There were 6 "Yes" votes.

Voting No were Flynn, Klinefelt, Mijac, Miller, Mocerri, Sauger and Tocco. There were 7 "No" votes.

The Motion was Defeated.

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Klinefelt, supported by Boyle, to amend Appendix A to include the reduction of \$54,000 in salaries and wages and \$13,792 in fringe benefits for Department 441 - Public Works – Waste Water District.

The following commissioners spoke: Klinefelt, Vosburg, Sabatini, Brown, Boyle, Smith and Tocco.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment, as follows:

Voting Yes were Boyle, Brown, Klinefelt, Miller, Mocerri and Tocco. There were 6 "Yes" votes.

Voting No were Carabelli, Flynn, Mijac, Sabatini, Sauger, Smith and Vosburg. There were 7 "No" votes.

The Motion was Defeated.

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Sabatini, to delete Item Ref. G, All Departments, General Fund, Internal Services, Executive Recommended \$4,859,529, Commission Approved \$4,616,553.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Carabelli, Smith, Brown, Miller, Sabatini and Flynn.

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

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Sabatini, to delete Item Ref. H, Veterans Services, Veterans Affairs Fund, Internal Services, Executive Recommended \$192,088, Commission Approved \$126,243.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Flynn, Mocerri, Miller and Carabelli.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment, as follows:

Voting Yes were Carabelli, Sabatini and Vosburg. There were 3 “Yes” votes.

Voting No were Boyle, Brown, Flynn, Klinefelt, Mijac, Miller, Mocerri, Sauger, Smith and Tocco. There were 10 “No” votes.

The Motion was Defeated.

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Carabelli, to delete Item Ref. P, Community Services Agency, Community Services Fund, Transfers In-General Fund, Executive Recommended \$887,599, Commission Approved \$1,055,906, Item Ref. Q, Community Services Agency, Community Services Fund, Expenditures by Service, Senior Citizens Nutrition Line Item, Executive Recommended \$540,363, Commission Approved \$708,670, and Item Ref. R, Operating Transfers, General Fund, Operating Transfers Out, Community Services Line Item, Executive Recommended \$887,599, Commission Approved \$1,055,906.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment, as follows:

Voting Yes were Brown, Carabelli, Sabatini and Vosburg. There were 4 “Yes” votes.

Voting No were Boyle, Flynn, Klinefelt, Mijac, Miller, Mocerri, Sauger, Smith and Tocco. There were 9 “No” votes.

The Motion was Defeated.

AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Sabatini, supported by Flynn, to amend the amount from \$66,000 to \$100,000 for Item Ref. I, Board of Commissioners, General Fund, Contract Services, Executive Recommended \$142,500, Commission Approved \$208,500.

The following commissioners spoke: Sabatini, Klinefelt and Miller.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment, as follows:

Voting Yes were Brown, Carabelli, Flynn, Mijac, Sabatini and Sauger. There were 6 "Yes" votes.

Voting No were Boyle, Klinefelt, Miller, Mocerri, Smith, Tocco and Vosburg. There were 7 "No" votes.

The Motion was Defeated.

Chair Miller called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance, as amended, and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH CARABELLI VOTING "NO."**

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 9-9-13 HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

BUDGET AMENDMENT/CSA/HOME DELIVERY MEALS-ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FUND

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Klinefelt, supported by Mocerri, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve an increase in the In-Kind Revenues and Expenditures line items in the budget of MCCSA's Home Delivered Meals-Additional Resources Fund for Fiscal Year 2012/2013 in the amount of \$15,000; MCCSA further requests that this approval be for this amount and the amount equal to in-kind donations in the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2012/2013; 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 WITH LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY (LEA)-FITZGERALD PUBLIC SCHOOLS/CSA, HEAD START FOOD SERVICE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Sauger, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the MCCSA Head Start Food Service contract with Local Education Agency (LEA), Fitzgerald Public Schools, in the amount of \$37,279; 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 WITH LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY (LEA)-FRASER PUBLIC SCHOOLS/CSA, HEAD START FOOD SERVICE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Mocerri, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the MCCSA Head Start Food Service contract with Local Education Agency (LEA), Fraser Public Schools, in the amount of \$53,808.21; 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-TRANSFER OF EXPENSES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mocerri, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve an amendment to the Health Department 2012/13 Fiscal Grant Fund by decreasing expenses in the Personnel category in the total amount of \$259,906 and increasing expenses in the Supplies and Services category in the amount of \$91,252 and in the Internal Services category in the amount of \$163,282; the remaining amount of \$5,373 is accounted for with minor expense increases in other categories; this transfer of expenses affects 5 state-funded programs and no County dollars are involved; 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/GRANT AGREEMENT-PETSMART CHARITIES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Smith, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Health Department/Animal Shelter to accept a \$100,000 grant from PetSmart Charities, Inc., to pay expenses for spay and neuter sterilization surgeries on 2,200 owned and free-roaming cats that reside in Mount Clemens and northeast Clinton Township; 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 AMENDMENT/HEALTH/MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (MDEQ)/BEACH WATER TESTING

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Vosburg, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve an amendment to the agreement that was approved on May 9, 2011, extended on August 15, 2012 (Amendment #1) and January 15, 2013 (Amendment #2); Amendment #3 will extend the agreement through October 31, 2013 and move existing monies within the grant to allow for the beach water testing for the summer of 2013; 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, Sauger and Miller.

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

APPOINTMENT OF LAW FIRM

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Sauger, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the appointment of the law firm of Martin Bacon and Martin to represent the County defendants in three separate litigations entitled Darren Clay v James Randlett and Macomb County, Roderick Murriel v James Randlett and Macomb County and Robert Boekema v James Randlett and Macomb County; 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.**

CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Miller stated that correspondence was included in the packet pertaining to past RFI's sent to the Office of County Executive and responses received from the Office of County Executive.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the correspondence provided. **The Motion Carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Tocco brought up that a local restaurant manager contacted her about a letter received from the Office of the County Executive. The individual - and Commissioner Tocco - found the letter confusing due to the fact that it had the seal of the Office of the County Executive, the "Make Macomb Your Home" campaign logo, the "Home in Macomb Business Retention Program" logo and an AT&T logo printed on it and a window cling was also included with the letter. The individual wanted to know if the mailing was paid for with county funds. Commissioner Tocco would like the issue of appropriate logo use looked into at a future meeting.

Board Chair Flynn said he received an urgent request from the Purchasing Manager regarding a bid opening for the purchase of natural gas. Purchasing Manager Polly Helzer was present to explain how bids for natural gas have to be handled due to the fluctuating nature of pricing. She requested the Board issue a waiver, so the sealed bids could be opened on Monday morning with the Finance and Facilities & Operations Departments, the most responsible bidder determined and a contract signed immediately. Commissioner Carabelli, Chair of the Infrastructure Committee, agreed to waive the item to the Full Board and requested a follow-up report. Since there were no objections, the Board Chair indicated he would add the item to the Full Board meeting immediately following this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Carabelli, to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**



Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter