

**MINUTES OF THE
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2013

At a meeting of the **Government Operations Committee**, held Monday, November 4, 2013, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Tocco-Chair, Flynn-Vice-Chair, Boyle, Brown, Carabelli, Klinefelt, Mijac,
Miller, Mocerri, Sabatini, Sauger, Smith and Vosburg.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Tocco called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

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

BUDGET AMENDMENT/BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS/GREEN SCHOOLS PROGRAM

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Mocerri, to forward to the Finance Committee a recommendation to approve increases in budget revenues ("Other") and expenses ("Supplies and Services") in the amount of \$4,643.20 which represent funds donated in 2013 by sponsors to the BOC Green Schools program; 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. **The Motion Carried.**

STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE BY GOVERNMENTAL CONSULTANT SERVICES, INC.

Updates regarding key issues of the state legislative fall session were provided by Gary Owen and included the topics of local government finance, state budget - DDA, TIFA, Personal Property Tax (PPT) repeal, Natural Resource Trust Fund grants and the defense industry. A list of Senate bills that have been introduced was distributed along with information on the topic of PPT from the Michigan Chamber of Commerce. Melissa Roy from the Office of the County Executive, also handed out estimates of PPT revenue loss which originated from the county's Equalization Department. Also present from GCS was Barb Farrah.

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

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Sauger, to receive and file the state legislative update provided by Gary Owen and Melissa Roy. **The Motion Carried.**

CORPORATION COUNSEL MONTHLY REPORT

John Schapka, Interim Corporation Counsel, reported on four litigation cases and summarized his legal opinion requested by Board Chair Flynn regarding the "legal implications... (of) the medical examiner's status as a contractor versus employee."

The following commissioners spoke: Sauger, Carabelli and Vosburg.

MOTION

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Sauger, to receive and file the report provided by Mr. Schapka. **The Motion Carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

Board Chair Flynn notified the Board of an upcoming vacancy on the Hospital Finance Authority due to term expiration; the appointment is made by the Board Chair with commissioner confirmation. He said he currently holds this position and is willing to continue, unless another commissioner is interested in serving in that capacity.

Commissioner Brown requested a list of the employees that have assigned spaces in the underground parking garage and the amount that each person pays for their space.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Klinefelt, to adjourn the meeting at 1:14 p.m. **The Motion Carried.**



Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter