

**MINUTES OF THE
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2012

At a **special** meeting of the **Health and Human Services Committee**, held Tuesday, November 27, 2012, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Mocerri-Co-Chair, Flynn, Frascchetti, Tocco and Vosburg (ex-officio).

Absent and excused was Miller.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Mocerri called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

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

REVIEW OF DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS

Health & Community Services

Pete Provenzano provided an overview. He stated that this department was created by the Charter in 2011 and consists of two employees. He said the expenditures remain the same and the change in personnel is due to an increase in fringe benefit costs, which has occurred across the board.

The following commissioners asked questions of Steve Gold: Mocerri, Flynn and Vosburg.

Health

Pete Provenzano summarized the budget. He noted that a revised budget sheet was distributed, which included the elimination of an additional position. He said they have lost 45.5 positions since 2006 and are proposing to eliminate two additional positions for 2013. He said all operating expense line items have been reduced, which resulted in a budget reduction of \$1.2 million dollars for 2013.

The following commissioners asked questions of Steve Gold: Mocerri, Flynn and Vosburg.

Community Services Agency

Pete Provenzano stated that there are some specialized grants for the December end budget, but no general fund money is involved.

The following commissioners asked questions of Mary Solomon: Mocerri and Flynn.

Senior Services

Pete Provenzano gave an overview. He said there has been a reduction of 24 positions since 2006. He said that due to the recent consolidation of the Day Care Center, a Coordinator position has been eliminated and a full-time position was converted to two part-time positions. He noted their budget has decreased almost \$200,000 since 2012.

The following commissioners asked questions of Steve Gold, Mary Solomon and Kathryn Benford: Mocerri and Tocco.

Martha T. Berry

Pete Provenzano stated that no subsidy is required from the general fund in 2013 due to restructuring of the facility.

The following commissioners asked questions of Jennifer Morgan: Mocerri, Flynn and Tocco.

Department of Human Services

Pete Provenzano stated that no general fund money is used; it is a pass through from the state to the local or county department.

Bertha Lema, Executive Assistant to the Child Welfare Director, stated that the funding over the last few years has been sufficient to meet their needs and the number of children coming into foster care has been decreasing; 22 percent less since last year.

The following commissioner spoke: Mocerri.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Flynn, to adjourn the meeting at 2:34 p.m.
The Motion Carried.



Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter