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Smith Re-Elected as Board Chair

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. — Bob Smith (D-Clinton Township) was re-elected by his peers to again serve as the Chair of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners for the 2019-20 term.

This will be Smith's second term as Chair; he has served on the Board since 2011.

"I am honored to again be chosen to serve as Board Chair," said Smith. "It is important that this Board continues to actively assert its duties as Macomb County's legislative branch. This means not only continuing to approve a balanced budget that meets the needs of County residents and employees, but also setting into motion policies that will benefit those of Macomb County."

Smith was nominated to serve as chair by Commissioner Elizabeth Lucido (D-Clinton Township) and Commissioner Leon Drolet (R-Macomb Township) seconded the nomination.

During Smith's first term as Chair, the Board of Commissioners approved two balance budget through a more thorough and engaged process that ensures further accountability and transparency of taxpayers' dollars. Such principles were exemplified when the Board adopted Fund Balance and Capital Improvement policies in November of 2018. The Board also created a framework to fund additional road work in the County, amongst other policies that best reflected the needs of County residents and employees.

Smith also continues to be dedicated to working collaboratively with County elected, agencies, departments and municipalities to ensure informed and sound policy-making is executed.

In addition to Smith being re-elected to serve as Chair, Commissioner Jim Carabelli (R-Shelby Township) was re-elected to serve as Vice Chair and Lucido will again serve a Sergeant-at-Arms.

During the Jan. 9 Organizational Meeting the Board also established a new committee structure, which consists of the following committees:

- Records and Public Safety
- Internal Services
- Public Services
- Health and Human Services
- Government Oversight
- Finance/Budget/Audit

This new committee structure will allow for agendas to be balanced more evenly. Additionally, with the new structure, the Finance/Audit/Budget committee gives the Board to solely focus on the quarterly finance reports and the budget during those meetings.

The meeting calendar for 2019 was also adopted and can be found at MacombBOC.com.

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