



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday December 5, 2007

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

An adjourned session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held at the Administration Building, in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Wednesday, December 5, 2007.

The meeting was called to order at 8:41 p.m. by Jeff Irwin, Chair of the Board.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Bergman, Grewal, Gunn, Irwin, Ouimet, Ping, Lovejoy Roe, Schwartz, and Smith.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comms. Peterson and Sizemore

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator, Robert Guenzel, Deputy County Administrators David Behen and Verna McDaniel, Corporation Counsel Curt Hedger; Peter Ballios, Finance; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Patricia Denig, Jeff Krcmarik, Planning and Environment; Ellen Clement, Public Health; Alan Israel, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Mike Score, MSU Extension; Jennifer Watson, Budget; Gordon Burger, Jim Zwolensky, Ben Toole, ITS; Scott Patton, Kerry Sheldon, Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Bergman moved that the minutes of the November 14, 2007, meeting of the Board of Commissioners be approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Participation

Tom Partridge stated that he urges the County Commission to adopt a more progressive democratic agenda. He called on the Commissioners to create departments to address the specific needs of residents.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizen Participation

None

Communications

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the communications be received and dealt with as recommended. Motion carried.

R-0260 RECEIVED: November 7, 2007. A correspondence to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the National Student Safety and Security Conference, re: National Conference Targets School Shootings and Youth Violence, dated November 6, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0261 RECEIVED: November 7, 2007. A press release from the Washtenaw County Public Health Department, re: Health Department Releases Final Measles Test Results, dated November 2, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0262 RECEIVED: November 7, 2007. A newsletter from the Michigan Association of Counties, re: MAC Legislative Update, dated November 2, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0263 RECEIVED: November 7, 2007. A newsletter from the Michigan Association of Counties, re: Michigan Association of Counties Directory, dated November 6, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0264 RECEIVED: November 9, 2007. A notice of public hearing to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the David Boyle, Village Clerk, Village of Dexter, re: Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan of the Dexter Downtown Development Authority. Received and filed.

R-0265 RECEIVED: November 9, 2007. A letter to Jeff Irwin, Chairperson, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Tina Abbate Marzolf, Chief Executive Officer, Area Agency on Aging 1-B, re: Appointment of an Older Adult Representative to the AAA 1-B Board of Directors, dated November 6, 2007. Received and filed, copied to Chair Irwin, and ETCS.

R-0266 RECEIVED: November 9, 2007. A press release from the Washtenaw County Public Health Department, re: Urgent: Health Department/HVA Flu Clinic Relocated Due to Water Main Break at WCC, dated November 8, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0267 RECEIVED: November 12, 2007. A newsletter from the Michigan Association of Counties, re: MAC Legislative Update, dated November 9, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0268 RECEIVED: November 14, 2007. A press release from the Washtenaw County Public Health Department, re: Washtenaw County Health Department Urges Residents to "Kick Butts" During the Great American Smokeout, dated November 9, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0269 RECEIVED: November 14, 2007. A letter to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from James Frenza, Chairman, Packard Community Clinic Board of Directors, re: Services provided to the Community by Packard Community Clinic, dated October 17, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0270 RECEIVED: November 14, 2007. A flyer to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Jack Mayle, President, Historical Design Group, Inc., re: Some of the Courthouses we have Completed. Received and filed.

R-0271 RECEIVED: November 13, 2007. An e-mail to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners (via I-boc), from Melissa Benoit (wagthedog@comcast.net). re: No Tax Money to Planned Parenthood, dated November 13, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0272 RECEIVED: November 13, 2007. An e-mail to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners (via I-boc), from Lydia Clarke (lydiaclarke@yahoo.com). re: Planned Parenthood funding, dated November 13, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0273 RECEIVED: November 14, 2007. An e-mail to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners (via I-boc), from Catherine Dowling (cathydowling@sbcglobal.net). re: Info on Planned Parenthood, dated November 14, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0274 RECEIVED: November 15, 2007. An e-mail to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners (via I-boc), from Julia and Glenn Leedy (Julia@ElmTechnology.com). re: No Funding for Planned Parenthood, dated November 15, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0275 RECEIVED: November 15, 2007. An e-mail to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners (via I-boc), from David and Ann Knox (aknox@provide.net). re: No Funding for Planned Parenthood, dated November 15, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0276 RECEIVED: November 15, 2007. A press release from the Washtenaw County Public Health Department, re: Health Department Announces Additional Flu Shot Clinic, dated November 14, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0277 RECEIVED: November 15, 2007. A letter to Bruce Swart, Hexabitis, from Kelli Sobel, Executive Secretary, State Tax Commission, State of Michigan, re: Opportunity for hearing regarding revocation of a facilities exemption certificate by local unit resolution, dated November 6, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0278 RECEIVED: November 15, 2007. A letter to David Hughes, Dexterland LLC., from Kelli Sobel, Executive Secretary, State Tax Commission, State of Michigan, re: Opportunity for hearing regarding revocation of a facilities exemption certificate by local unit resolution, dated November 6, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0279 RECEIVED: November 19, 2007. A newsletter from the Michigan Association of Counties, re: MAC Legislative Update, dated November 16, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0280 RECEIVED: November 19, 2007. A letter to Jeff Irwin, Chairman, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Dwight P. Dean, Regional Director, United States Census Bureau, re: Thank you for sending a representative from your jurisdiction to the LUCA technical workshop on September 14, 2007, dated November 6, 2007. Received and filed, copied to Chair Irwin, and Equalization.

R-0281 RECEIVED: November 20, 2007. A postcard to Mr. Jeff Irwin, Chairman, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the US Census Bureau, re: Reminder from the U.S. Census Bureau – Sign up now for LUCA. Received and filed, copied to Chair Irwin and Equalization.

R-0282 RECEIVED: November 20, 2007. A report to Wesley Prater, Chair, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the Bureau of Justice Statistics, re: Black Victims of Violent Crime, dated August 2007. Received and filed, copied to the Sheriff's Department.

R-0283 RECEIVED: November 21, 2007. A letter to Robert E. Guenzel, Washtenaw County Administrator, from Jeanette Harris, Director, Community Planning and Development, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, re: Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (Caper), dated November 15, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0284 RECEIVED: November 21, 2007. A press release from the Washtenaw County Public Health Department, re: Washtenaw Immunization Action Coalition Formed, dated November 19, 2007. Received and filed.

Report of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners

07-0225 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution congratulating the Department of Planning and Environment for the Waste Knot Program on their receipt of the Community Gold Achievement Award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Department of Solid Waste be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0226 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution congratulating Mike Score of MSU Extension on receipt of the Innovation Counselor of the Year Award from the MSU Product Center be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

Comm. Irwin thanked Commissioners and staff for their hard work throughout the year, and discussed positive initiatives that have come out of the past year.

Special Order of Business:

Reports of the Standing Committees

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the following reports be received and approved: Ways & Means, dated November 14, 2007. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Reports of Special Committees

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the following reports be received: Board of Commissioners Administrative Briefing, dated October 31, 2007; Board of Commissioners Appointment Caucus, dated November 6, 2007; Board of Road Commissioners, dated November 6, 2007 and October 16, 2007; Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, dated October 11, 2007; Concealed Weapons Licensing Board, dated October 16, 2007; Historic District Commission, dated October 4, 2007; Parks and Recreation Commission, dated October 9, 2007; Police Services Steering Committee, dated October 3, 2007; Public Works Board, dated September 19, 2007; Statutory Drainage Board, dated October 29, 2007; Workforce Development Board, dated September 6, 2007 be adopted. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Other Reports

None

Report of the Treasurer

1. July 2007 Treasurer's Report
2. August 2007 Treasurer's Report

Report of the County Administrator

The presentation on Schematic Design for the Jail and District Court was given by Jim Zwolensky and representatives of Tower Pinkster.

Comm. Schwartz stated that he feels that this project has been cut to the bone, and added that he thinks it is critical to have the Washtenaw entrance. Comm. Schwartz stated that a source of money will have to be found to finish this project right.

Comm. Ping asked if \$3 million is in the current budget to deal with energy. Zwolensky stated that this is self-supporting. Comm. Ping asked about the energy budget. Zwolensky reported that \$6.2 million in infrastructure upgrades have been identified. A Towner Pinkster representative described the effects of having the Chevron contract approved.

Comm. Bergman asked about the bed count. The representative stated that the cells are four men cells. Comm. Bergman asked if the 112 beds include medical/intake beds. It was reported that they do not.

Comm. Ouimet stated that an additional \$4 million would have to be added to the bonding project if the Chevron project is approved. Guenzel stated that the amount would be added to the amount that has already been bonded. He stated that from a finance standpoint it will be important to watch out for a heavier bond responsibility for a building that does not require it.

Comm. Grewal asked how the Chevron project would affect the jail timeline. Zwolensky stated that a decision needs to be made by mid-January. Comm. Grewal stated that she suggested more meetings with stakeholders in the project.

Comm. Lovejoy Roe asked about the additional funds referred to in the handout. Zwolensky reported that the \$1.8 million is a holdover from the August meeting in which the Board of Commissioners discussed adding this amount to the bond.

Resolutions:

Ways & Means – November 14, 2007

07-0227 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution authorizing the electronic submission of the 2007/2008 State Child Care Fund Budget Summary Form 2091 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0228 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on a \$1,000,000 Brownfield Redevelopment grant and loan application to the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's "Clean Michigan Initiative" program be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0229 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on an application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency for a Brownfield community-wide hazardous substances assessment grant in the amount of \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2011 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0230 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution approving the Lease/Leaseback with the Humane Society of Huron Valley be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0231 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution approving continuing disclosure - \$6.5 million capital improvement bond for the animal shelter facility be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

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07-0232 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution authorizing the hire of Dr. Diana Torres-Burgos as Medical Director for Public Health at a salary of \$125,000 effective February 1, 2008 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0233 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution authorizing the application to the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth for the 2008 Remonumentation Program in the amount of \$144,869; authorizing the grant administrator to sign the notice of grant award; amending the budget; and authorizing the administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0234 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution ratifying the signature of the Washtenaw County Administrator on the contract between the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and Washtenaw County Department of Planning & Environment for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008 in the amount of \$521,109 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0235 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution creating one full-time position and eliminating one full-time position within the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Department be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0236 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution amending the 2007 budget be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0237 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution authorizing the Administrator to sign a contract with I.S.C.G. to provide Haworth certified furniture for the County in accordance with RFP #6360 for a three year period expiring November 15, 2010 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

Approval of Claims

07-0238 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution authorizing payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of November 21, 2007 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

FUND	DESCRIPTION	SYSTEM CHECKS	UTILITIES CREDIT CARD	EXCEPTION & PRE-CLAIMS	TOTAL
1010	GENERAL FUND	\$ 106.55	\$ -	\$ 16.71	\$ 123.26
1572	INMATE CONCESSIONS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45.59	\$ 45.59
	TOTALS	106.55	\$ -	\$ 62.30	\$ 168.85

New Business

07-0239 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution adopting the 2008 Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners calendar be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0240 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution adopting the Revised Bylaws for the Washtenaw County Planning Advisory Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

07-0241 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the resolution creating a Task Force to develop recommendations on the acquisition of permanent, sustainable funding to provide supportive housing and associated preventive and supported services for ending homelessness in Washtenaw County be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9. NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Sizemore). Motion carried.

Liaison Reports

Comm. Ouimet reported on the WCERS Board, and distributed a handout (on file in County Clerk's Office). He reported on the transition to post-international transition groups. He stated that the WCERS board is starting to move in a positive direction. He stated that performance levels now have to be improved. Comm. Ouimet complimented Monica Boote and the HR Department.

Comm. Grewal reported on the annual PAB workshop. She stated that getting feedback was a central focus of the workshop. She thanked the PAB staff for putting the event together.

Comm. Bergman thanked Comm. Schwartz and Comm. Ouimet for their work on the WCERS Board.

Comm. Lovejoy Roe thanked Comm. Grewal for work done with the PAB workshop.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

None

Citizen Participation

None

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None

Adjournment

Comm. Schwartz seconded by Comm. Ping moved to adjourn until Wednesday January 9th, 2008, at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Room, Washtenaw County Administration Building. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Jeff Irwin, Chair

Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register
By: Jason Brooks, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: