WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday February 20, 2008

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, February 20, 2008.

The meeting was called to order at 7:53 p.m. by Jeff Irwin, Chair of the Board.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comms. Peterson and Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator, Robert Guenzel, Deputy County Administrator Verna McDaniel, Corporation Counsel Curt Hedger; Catherine McClary, County Treasurer; Gordon Burger, Dale Vanderford, Jennifer Watson, Jim Zwolensky, Support Services; Peter Ballios, Finance; Anthony VanDerworp, Jeff Krcmarik, Planning and Environment; Mary Jo Callan, Community Development; Donna Sabourin; CSTS; Mary O'Hare, Professional Development; Mary Udoji, Library; Dan Dwyer, Trial Court; Alan Israel, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Trenda Rusher, ETCS; Mark Lindke, Veterans Services; Diane Heidt, Monica Boote, Human Resources; Ellen Clement, Public Health; Ken Schrader, ITS; Kerry Sheldon, Scott Patton, Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the minutes of the February 6, 2008, meeting of the Board of Commissioners be approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Participation
None

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizen Participation
None

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

R-0038 RECEIVED: January 18, 2008. A publication to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the Michigan Association of Drain Commissioners, re: Pipeline Magazine, dated Fourth Quarter 2007. Received and filed.

R-0039 RECEIVED: January 30, 2008. A letter to Jeff Irwin, Chair, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Michael Ocrant, Director, Alternative Investment Conferences, Institutional Investor, re: 2008 Hedge Fund Investor Symposium, dated January 15, 2008. Received and filed, copied to Retirement Administration.

R-0040 RECEIVED: January 31, 2008. A letter to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the Alcona County Board of Commissioners, re: Survey snout Clerk/Register of Deeds office. Received and filed, copied to Clerk/Register's Office.

R-0041 RECEIVED: January 31, 2008. A letter to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Adele Laporte, President, Village Council, Barton Hills Village, re: Notice of Intent to Plan, dated January 26, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0042 RECEIVED: January 31, 2008. A pamphlet to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Brown Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, re: Annual Brotherhood Banquet Received and filed.

R-0043 RECEIVED: January 31, 2008. A notice of hearing to Robert E. Guenzel, Administrator, Washtenaw County, from Rena Basch, Ann Arbor Charter Township Clerk, re: IMRA America, Inc. application for industrial facilities exemption certificate. Received and filed.

R-0044 RECEIVED: February 4, 2008. A letter to Jeff Irwin, Chair, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Kurt Warner, Acting Director, Bureau of Juvenile Justice, Department of Human Services, re: 2007-08 annual plan and budget for Child Care Fund expenditures is approved, dated January 30, 2008. Received and filed, copied to County Human Services.

R-0045 RECEIVED: February 4, 2008. A newsletter from the Michigan Association of Counties, re: MAC Legislative Update, dated February 1, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0046 RECEIVED: February 5, 2008. A publication to Jeff Irwin, Chair, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the Michigan Area Agencies on Aging, re: Michigan Generations, dated Winter 2008. Received and filed.

R-0047 RECEIVED: February 5, 2008. A resolution to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from George Shetler, Chairperson, Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners, re: Resolution for Common Water Use, dated January 17, 2008. Received and filed, copied to Planning and Environment.

R-0048 RECEIVED: February 5, 2008. A letter to Mr. Terrence Ennes, Collins & Aikman Plastics, from Kelli Sobel, Executive Secretary, State Tax Commission, re: Opportunity to request hearing on industrial facilities exemption certificate, dated January 29, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0049 RECEIVED: February 8, 2008. A resolution to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the Kay Williams, Clerk, Charter Township of Superior, Resolution supporting the SPARK East Incubator project, dated February 6, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0050 RECEIVED: February 11, 2008. An invitation to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the U.S. Census Bureau, Regional Census Center re: Invitation to attend an Open House Received and filed, copied to Equalization.

R-0051 RECEIVED: February 11, 2008. A letter to President, Visteon Corporation, from Kelli Sobel, Executive Secretary, State Tax Commission, re: Approval of State Tax Commission revoking the Industrial Exemption Certificate for Visteon Corporation, dated August 27, 2007. Received and filed.

R-0052 RECEIVED: February 11, 2008. A letter to David Hughes, Dexterland LLC, from Kelli Sobel, Executive Secretary, State Tax Commission, re: Approval of State Tax Commission revoking the Industrial Exemption Certificate for Dexterland LLC, dated January 31, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0053 RECEIVED: February 11, 2008. A letter to Bruce Swart, Hexabits, from Kelli Sobel, Executive Secretary, State Tax Commission, re: Approval of State Tax Commission revoking the Industrial Exemption Certificate for Hexabits, dated January 31, 2008. Received and filed.

Liaison Reports

Comm. Ouimet stated that the HR person at the Road Commission has left. He stated that different organizations, including Washtenaw County Human Resources, are being looked at to administer Human Resources at the Road Commission.

Report of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners

08-0031 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution of appreciation to Ellen Clement, Director of Washtenaw County Public Health Department, for her service to the Michigan Association for Local Public Health (MALPH) be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

Special Order of Business:
Executive Session – Labor Negotiations

Comm. Lovejoy Roe seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved to amend the agenda to place the Special order of Business (item IX.) after the second opportunity for Commissioner Follow Up to Citizen Participation (item XIX.). Motion carried.

Reports of the Standing Committees
Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the following reports be received and approved: Ways & Means, dated February 6, 2008. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Reports of Special Committees
Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the following reports be received: Board of Road Commissioners, dated January 16, 2008; Planning Advisory Board, dated December 17, 2007; Police Services Steering Committee, dated December 5, 2007; Public Health Advisory Committee/Environmental Appeals Board, dated October 25, 2007 be adopted. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Other Reports
None

Report of the Treasurer
Catherine McClary presented the Report of the Treasurer (on file in County Clerk's office).

Comm. Schwartz asked if there would be another excess in the foreclosure prevention fund in ensuing years. McClary reported on this fund, and stated that there would likely not be a large excess. Comm. Schwartz stated that the foreclosure prevention fund was listed under structural changes in the budget adjustment resolution, and added that this should be reviewed. Comm. Schwartz stated that he supports the building of larger reserves.

Comm. Ouimet asked about feelings on mortgage backed securities. She stated that she laddered the portfolio and added that she worries about banks that carry much of their portfolio in mortgages. She stated that she also looks at bank size and assets. McClary reported that she is looking at asset backed paper. Comm. Ouimet stated that he brings these points up with the two retirement boards that he sits on. McClary discussed the ladder investments she has made. Comm. Ouimet expressed further concerns over the mortgage market. McClary stated that about $30 million is not being used at any given time.

Appointments:
08-0032 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution appointing members to the Workforce Development Board for terms expiring December 31, 2010 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

Report of the County Administrator

Resolutions:

Ways and Means – February 6, 2008
08-0033 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the 2007 ETCS program year (PY) 2007 Disability Program Navigator (DPN) Initiative Plan application to the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth (MDLEG) for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 in the amount of $20,524 for the ETCS department be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

08-0034 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution ratifying the signature of the Chair of the Board on the fiscal year (FY) 2008 Michigan Works! System plan with the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth (MDLEG) for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 for ETCS be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

08-0035 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the 2007 ETCS program year (PY) 2007 No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Statewide Activities Funding Plan application to the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth (MDLEG) for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 in the amount of $59,047 for the Employment Training and Community Services (ETCS) department be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

08-0036 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution requesting the ratification of the County Administrator's signature on the application to the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources for the 2008 Marine Safety Grant Program for one year beginning January 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2008 in the total program amount of $165,633 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

Resolutions:

Ways and Means – February 20, 2008

08-0037 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution creating an Operations Manager position and a Compliance Specialist in the Office of Community Development, eliminating a vacant Senior Management Analyst position and a vacant Rehabilitation Analyst position, and authorizing the County Administrator to sign revenue contracts with the City of Ann Arbor for services provided by the Operations Manager and Compliance Specialist for a total amount not to exceed $67,337 for the period of February 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 for the Office of Community Development be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

08-0038 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution to authorize transfers from the Capital Reserves into the Ellsworth Renovation, 750 Towner, Court Security, 14-A District Court and ETCS Capital Project Funds to close out the projects for total expenditures incurred prior to fiscal year end during 2008 for 14-A District Court and ETCS be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

08-0039 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution to borrow against anticipated Delinquent 2007 Real Property Taxes be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

Approval of Claims

08-0040 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Grewal moved that the resolution authorizing payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of February 8, 2008 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

FUND	DESCRIPTION	SYSTEM CHECKS	UTILITIES CREDIT CARD	EXCEPTION & PRE-CLAIMS	TOTAL
1010	GENERAL FUND	$ -	$ 47,096.87	$ 17.00	$ 47,113.87
1293	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	$ -	$ 275.76	$ -	$ 275.76
1572	INMATE CONCESSIONS	$ -	$ -	$ 25.89	$ 25.89
1610	PROS ATTNY-DRUG FORFEIT.	$ -	$ 1,654.35	$ -	$ 1,654.35
1760	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	$ -	$ 175.01	$ -	$ 175.01
1882	HIDTA	$ -	$ 19,163.21	$ -	$ 19,163.21
1900	3 - 911 FUND	$ -	$ 1,468.16	$ -	$ 1,468.16
1950	DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS SUPPL.	$ -	$ 2,490.35	$ -	$ 2,490.35
2080	PARKS & RECREATION	$ -	$ 19,763.96	$ -	$ 19,763.96
2110	COUNTY LIBRARY FUND	$ -	$ 2,612.50	$ -	$ 2,612.50
2150	FRIEND OF THE COURT	$ 287.00	$ -	$ -	$ 287.00
2370	JTPA ADMINISTRATION	$ -	$ 10,476.30	$ -	$ 10,476.30
2510	CSA HEADSTART	$ -	$ 1,830.88	$ -	$ 1,830.88
2630	CSA SR NUTRITION	$ -	$ 194.65	$ -	$ 194.65
2812	JUVENILE DRUG COURT PLAN GRANT	$ -	$ 116.51	$ -	$ 116.51
2822	WASHTENAW AREA TEENS FOR TOMORROW	$ -	$ 935.82	$ -	$ 935.82
2920	WCHO	$ -	$ 556.53	$ -	$ 556.53
2930	MENTAL HEALTH	$ -	$ 20,909.79	$ -	$ 20,909.79
2940	SUBSTANCE ABUSE	$ -	$ 170.22	$ -	$ 170.22
2960	HEALTH	$ -	$ 2,953.20	$ -	$ 2,953.20

2962	PUBLIC HEALTH LOCAL GRANTS	$ -	$ 95.31	$ -	$ 95.31
2990	CHILD CARE/PROBATE CT.	$ -	$ 5,377.05	$ -	$ 5,377.05
4020	DOWNTOWN ANN ARBOR BLDG	$ -	$ 1,591.00	$ -	$ 1,591.00
4050	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	$ -	$ 6,985.16	$ -	$ 6,985.16
5506	2005 PROPERTY FORECLOSURE PROC.	$ -	$ 8.92	$ -	$ 8.92
6310	FACILITIES MGMT - O & M	$ -	$ 223,136.08	$ -	$ 223,136.08
6320	FACILITIES MGMT - TRANSP	$ -	$ 2,439.10	$ -	$ 2,439.10
6900	CENTREX ASSOCIATION	$ -	$ 41,917.62	$ -	$ 41,917.62
7413	LAWNET NON-FORFEITURE FUND	$ -	$ 207.53	$ -	$ 207.53
7950	HAZ MATL RESPONSE TEAM	$ -	$ 120.50	$ -	$ 120.50
7990	CO-OP EXTENSION SERVICE	$ -	$ 3,778.41	$ -	$ 3,778.41
	TOTALS	$ 287.00	$ 418,500.75	$ 42.89	$ 418,830.64

New Business
Comm. Sizemore seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved to amend the agenda to

Items for Current/Future Discussion
Comm. Sizemore stated that he asked legal counsel about Board of Commissioner control over the Road Commission. Hedger stated that he is still reviewing the issue.

Comm. Schwartz asked about the expanding Public Safety and Justice Oversight (PS&J) Committee to include more representation from the Board of Commissioners. Comm. Irwin stated that a resolution could be brought to the next meeting.

Citizen Participation
None

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation
None

Special Order of Business:
Executive Session – Labor Negotiations

Comm. Schwartz seconded by Comm. Grewal moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations. Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Peterson and Smith). Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened from Executive Session at 8:41 p.m.

Adjournment
Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved to adjourn until Wednesday, March 5th, 2008, at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Room, Washtenaw County Administration Building. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

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Jeff Irwin, Chair

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

Board Approved: