WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, January 7, 1998

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The first regular session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held at the Administration Building, in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Wednesday, January 7, 1997.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Peggy M. Haines, Washtenaw County Clerk/Register.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Acevedo, Armentrout, Bergman, Chockley, Craiger, DeLong, DuRussel, Gunn, Kern, Monforton, Montague, Robinson, Schultz, Shaw, Yekulis.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Guenzel, County Administrator, Frank Cambria, Deputy Administrator, Curt Hedger, Corporation Counsel; Peter Ballios, Finance; Peggy M. Haines, Barbara King, Amy Riley, Clerk/Register; various citizens, and members of the press.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Comm. Montague supported by Comm. Bergman moved that the minutes of the December 10, 1997, Board of Commissioners meeting be approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Participation
None.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizen Participation
None.

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

R-1001 RECEIVED: December 1, 1997: Resolution from the Isabella County Board of Commissioners adopted on November 20, 1997, re: Urging the Legislature to allow the Motion Fee and to fund the cost related to Personal Protection orders at the County level for each of the 83 counties of Michigan. Received and filed.

R-1002 RECEIVED: December 1, 1997: Resolution from the Huron County Board of Commissioners adopted on November 25, 1997, re: Opposing the MDOT takeover of any Huron County primary roads. Received and filed.

R-1003 RECEIVED: December 1, 1997: Letter to Commissioners from Beverly S. Hammerstrom, State Representative, 55th District, dated November 28, 1997, re: Evergreen/Allison Area Pipeline Project.. Received and filed.

R-1004 RECEIVED: December 3, 1997: Letter to Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners from Nat Amarnath, Acting Manager, Exemption Program Section, Michigan State Tax Commission, dated December 1, 1997, re: Application for an industrial facilities exemption certificate from Flint Ink Corporation.. Received and filed; copies to Equalization and Treasurer.

R-1005 RECEIVED: December 4, 1997: Letter to Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners from Colleen O'Neal, Superior Charter Township Clerk, dated December 2, 1997, re: Superior Charter Township Board registers its concerns regarding the derogatory and sexist remarks made by County Road Commissioners Fred Veigel. Received and filed; copy to each Commissioner.

R-1006 RECEIVED: December 5, 1997: Letter to Suzanne Shaw, Chair, from Douglas R. Woolley, Supervisor, Pittsfield Charter Township, dated December 4, 1997, re: Letter received from Brenda L. Stumbo, Clerk, Ypsilanti Township. Received and filed.

R-1007 RECEIVED: December 8, 1997: Letter to Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners from Abigail L. Meland, Deputy Clerk, Pittsfield Charter Township, dated December 2, 1997, re: Application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate by NuStep, Inc. Received and filed; copies to Equalization and Treasurer.

R-1008 RECEIVED: December 9, 1997: Letter to Suzanne Shaw from John Engler, Governor, State of Michigan, dated December 5, 1997, re: Accepting an award from the National Alliance of Business recognizing Michigan's workforce development system as one of the most innovative and effective in the nation. Received and filed; copies to Administration, ETCS, and Chair Shaw.

R-1009 RECEIVED: December 9, 1997: Copy of letter to Director of the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission from Martin L. Norton, resident of Cherokee Road in Ann Arbor, dated November 28, 1997, re: Requesting swim lessons for older adults. Received and filed; copies to Administration and Parks & Recreation for response.

R-1010 RECEIVED: December 9, 1997: Copy of letter to Sheriff Ronald Schebil and Commissioner Barbara Bergman, from Jack Kann, Manager, County Jail Services Unit, dated December 8, 1997, re: Copy of their final inspection report of the Washtenaw County Jail. Received and filed; copies to Administration and Commissioners Bergman and Shaw.

R-1011 RECEIVED: December 9, 1997: Resolution from the Iron County Board of Commissioners supporting House Bills 4677, 4678, and 4679. Received and filed.

R-1012 RECEIVED: December 10, 1997: Letter to Peggy Haines, Washtenaw County Clerk, from Jann Jencka, Superintendent, Ingham Intermediate School District, dated December 8, 1997, re: Intent to collect 100% 1998 Summer Tax Collection. Received and filed.

R-1013 RECEIVED: December 11, 1997: Copy of letter to Douglas R. Woolley, Supervisor, Charter Township of Pittsfield, from Robert E. Guenzel, Washtenaw County Administrator, dated December 10, 1997, re: Construction of Homeless Shelter in Pittsfield Township. Received and filed.

R-1014 RECEIVED: December 12, 1997: Resolution from the Shiawassee County Board of Commissioners adopted on December 4, 1997, re: Opposing Jurisdictional Transfers requested by MDOT. Received and filed.

R-1015 RECEIVED: December 19, 1997: Memorandum to Hon. John B. Collins, Chief District Judge, 14-B, et al, from Ronald J. Schebil, Sheriff, dated December 18, 1997, re: Certification of Overcrowding. Received and filed.

R-1016 RECEIVED: December 21, 1997: Memorandum to All County Commissioners, et al, from Richard E. Hermanson, President, and Timothy K, McGuire, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Counties, dated December 19,1 997, re: MAC 1998 Legislative Conference Information. Received and filed: Copy to Administration.

R-1017 RECEIVED: December 21, 1997: Letter to Suzanne Shaw, Chairperson, from Kenneth E. Dodge, District Fisheries Biologist, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, dated December 15, 1997, re: Draft of River Raisin Watershed Assessment. (Complete draft available for review in the Clerk/Register's Office). Received and filed; copies to Planning (for response), Drain, Parks & Recreation, and Environmental Services.

R-1018 RECEIVED: December 24, 1997: Memorandum to Hon. John B. Collins, Chief District Judge, 14-B, et al, from Ronald J. Schebil, Sheriff, dated December 23, 1997, re: Notice of Jail Overcrowding State of Emergency Declaration. Received and filed.

Liaison Reports

Comm. Kern reported that the County Planning Commission adopted the housing plan in December. She also reported that the UATS Board requested that the Board of Commissioners find a way to ensure transit services to the new building that will house the Drain Commission, Road Commission, and others.

Comm. Acevedo reported that the Gelman Sciences Partnership will be meeting tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Water Station.

Special Order of Business

Election of Chair and Vice Chair (MCLA 46.3) "... the county board of commissioners at its first meeting in each year shall choose a member as chairperson and one member as vice-chairperson . The Chair shall preside at a meeting of the board during the year, if present, but if the chairperson is absent from a meeting, the vice-chairperson shall preside. Peggy M. Haines stated that nominations are in order for Chair of the Board.

98-0001 Comm. Gunn moved to place in nomination Comm. Suzanne Shaw as Chair of the Board. Comm. DuRussel nominated Comm. Raymond Schultz. Comm. Schultz supported by Comm. Montague moved to close. Motion carried. Roll call vote: 10 votes cast for Comm. Shaw (Acevedo, Armentrout, Bergman, Craiger, Gunn, Kern, Monforton, Montague, Robinson, Shaw). 5 votes cast for Comm. Schultz (Chockley, DeLong, DuRussel, Schultz, Yekulis). County Clerk/Register Haines declared Comm. Shaw so elected as Chair of the Board of Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Comm. Suzanne Shaw took the Chair.

98-0002 Comm. Kern moved to place in nomination Comm. Christina Montague as Vice-Chair of the Board. Comm. Chockley nominated Comm. Michael DuRussel. Comm. Yekulis supported by Comm. Montague moved to close nominations. Motion carried. Roll call vote: 10 votes cast for Comm. Montague (Acevedo, Armentrout, Bergman, Craiger, Gunn, Kern, Monforton, Montague, Robinson, Shaw). 5 votes cast for Comm. DuRussel. (Chockley, DeLong, DuRussel, Schultz, Yekulis). Comm. Montague so elected as Vice-chair of the Board of Commissioners for the ensuing year.

98-0003 Comm. Acevedo supported by Comm. Gunn moved that the resolution adopting the Rules and Regulations of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 15. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

98-0004 Comm. Kern moved to place in nomination Comm. Barbara Bergman as Chair of the Ways and Means Committee. Comm. DeLong nominated Comm. Joseph Yekulis, Jr. Comm. Robinson supported by Comm. Monforton moved that nominations be closed. Motion carried. Roll call vote: 10 votes cast for Comm. Bergman. (Acevedo, Armentrout, Bergman, Craiger, Gunn, Kern, Monforton, Montague, Robinson, Shaw). 5 votes cast for Comm. Yekulis. (Chockley, DeLong, DuRussel, Schultz, Yekulis**).** Comm. Barbara Bergman so elected as Chair of the Ways and Means Committee for the ensuing year.

98-0005 Comm. Yekulis nominated Comm. Richard DeLong as Vice-Chair of the Ways and Means Committee. Comm. Acevedo supported by Comm. Gunn moved that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast electing Comm. DeLong as Vice-Chair of the Ways & Means Committee. Motion failed. Roll call vote: 13 votes cast for Comm. DeLong (Acevedo, Armentrout, Bergman, Chockley, DuRussel, Gunn, Kern, Monforton, Montague, Robinson, Schultz, Shaw, Yekulis). 1 vote cast for Comm. DuRussel (Craiger). 1 vote cast for Comm. Schultz (DeLong). Comm. DeLong so elected as Vice-Chair of the Ways and Means Committee for the ensuing year.

98-0006 Comm. Acevedo nominated Comm. Al Robinson as Chair of the Working Session. Comm. Schultz nominated Comm. Marlene Chockley. Comm. Chockley declined. Comm. Montague supported by Comm. Monforton moved that nominations be closed. Roll call vote: 10 votes cast for Comm. Robinson (Acevedo, Armentrout, Bergman, Chockley, Gunn, Kern, Monforton, Montague, Robinson, Shaw). 5 votes cast for Comm. Chockley (Craiger, DeLong, DuRussel, Schultz, Yekulis). Comm. Robinson so elected as Chair of the Working session for the ensuing year.

98-0007 Comm. Bergman nominated Comm. Marlene Chockley as Vice-Chair of the Working Session. Comm. Acevedo supported by Comm. Gunn moved a unanimous ballot electing Comm. Chockley as Vice-Chair of the Working Session. No one opposing. Comm. Marlene Chockley so elected as Vice-Chair of the Working Session for the ensuing year.

Report of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners

None.

Reports of Standing Committees

Comm. Acevedo supported by Comm. Montague moved that the Agenda Meeting report dated December 4, 1997, the Ways & Means Committee report dated December 10, 1997, and the Working Session report dated December 4,1997, be approved and accepted. Motion carried. (Complete report on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Comm. Acevedo supported by Comm. Montague moved that the following reports be received: Board of Canvassers dated November 5, 1997, Election Scheduling Committee dated November 25, 1997, Historic District Commission dated November 6, 1997, Library Board of Trustees dated October 20, 1997, Metropolitan Planning Commission dated November 13, 1997, Sheriff's Community Relations Advisory Board dated November 12, 1997, Statutory Drain Board dated October 16, 1997, Workforce Development Board dated October 2, 1997. Motion carried. (Complete reports on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Other Reports

None.

Report of the Treasurer
None.

Report from the County Administrator

Mr. Guenzel reported that any Commissioners interested in attending the NACo conference should let Lori know as soon as possible. He also reported that on January 30 from 1:00 to 3:00 at the Library, we will be receiving, on down link, a seminar on sustainable communities as put on by the Innovations Group. He indicated he would put information on this in each of their boxes.

Comm. DuRussel asked what will happen with respect to the cost overrun on the Courthouse parking lot project. Mr. Guenzel explained and said there is a potential dispute. Comm. Acevedo requested a report from Administration at the next Ways & Means Committee meeting.

Resolutions

98-0008 Comm. Acevedo supported by Comm. Montague moved that the following resolution congratulating the Second Baptist Church of Ann Arbor on its Sixteenth Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration, be adopted. "Whereas, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. dedicated his life to the principles of justice, equality, and brotherhood; and Whereas, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. worked tirelessly to improve race relations in this country for the benefit of all people; and Whereas, Second Baptist Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan, will hold its Sixteenth Annual Unity Mark in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 11, 1998; and Whereas, this Unity March will offer families an opportunity to reaffirm their commitment to Dr. King's dream; Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby congratulates Second Baptist Church of Ann Arbor on its Sixteenth Annual United March and its continue commitment to Dr. King's principles. Be It Further Resolved that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby commemorates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday and encourages the citizens of Washtenaw County to participate in the Unity March on January 11, 1998." Roll call vote. YEAS 15. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Comm. Monforton suggested that staff prepare the following resolutions of recognition:

98-0009 Comm. Monforton supported by Comm. DeLong moved a unanimous ballot congratulating the University of Michigan Wolverines on winning the Rose Bowl and proclaiming January, 1998, as University of Michigan Football Team National Championship month in Washtenaw County. No one opposing. Motion carried.

98-0010 Comm. Monforton supported by Comm. DeLong moved a unanimous ballot congratulating Charles Woodson on being named the 1997 Heisman Trophy winner. No one opposing. Motion carried.

98-0011 Comm. Monforton supported by Comm. DeLong moved a unanimous ballot congratulating Coach Lloyd Carr on winning the undisputed Big Ten Championship Rose Bowl, Associated Press Poll National Championship, and on being named the 1997 Coach of the Year by the Walter Camp Football Foundation and the American Football Coaches Association. No one opposing. Motion carried.

98-0012 Comm. Monforton supported by Comm. DeLong moved a unanimous ballot congratulating Brian Griese on quarterbacking the University of Michigan Football team to a 12-0 record, undisputed Big Ten Championship, Rose Bowl victory over Washington State University, and the Associated Press Poll National Championship, and for being named most valuable player of the 1998 Rose Bowl, and for being named a 1997 National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete Award winner. No one opposing. Motion carried.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

Comm. Montague asked that Administration prepare a resolution honoring Temple Beth Emeth Mitzvah.

Approval of Claims

98-0013 Comm. Acevedo supported by Comm. Montague moved that the resolution authorizing payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of December 24, 1997, be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 15. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Fund		Checks	Utilities	Exceptions & Pre-Claims	Total
101	GENERAL FUND	$23,535.22	0.00	$191.42	$23,726.64
140	SHERIFF ROAD PATROL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
143	COURT UNIFICATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
146	COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
149	PA 302 TRAINING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
158	SAFE AND SOBER GRANT	1,306.86	0.00	0.00	1,306.86
162	PROS ATTNY-CR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
171	BFI SOLID WASTE COORD.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
176	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	54.96	0.00	0.00	54.96
177	NON-POINT COURCE GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
190	3-911 FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
191	HAZ. MAT. PLANNING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
208	PARKS & RECREATION FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
210	LAW LIBRARY	8,069.19	0.00	0.0	8,069.19
211	COUNTY LIBRA RY FUND	26.24	0.00	0.00	26.24
215	FOC GRANT	118.50	0.00	0.00	118.50
220	HUMAN SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
232	JTPA-TITLE II-A ADULTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
233	JTPA-SUMMER YOUTH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
234	JTPA-TITLE II-C YOUTH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
235	JTPA-TITLE III EDWAAA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
237	JTPA ADMINISTRATION	700.00	0.00	0.00	700.00
241	NO WRONG DOOR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
242	JTPA - FIRST	0.00	426.54	0.00	426.54
251	CSA HEADSTART	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
260	CSBG/HUMAN SVCS	1,025.00	0.00	0.00	1,025.00
263	CSA SENIOR NUTRITION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
265	CSA FOSTER GRANDPARENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
270	CSA DOES WEATHERIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
293	MENTAL HEALTH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
296	HEALTH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
299	CHILD CARE/PROBATE CT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
572	INMATE ENTERPRISE	903.40	0.00	0.00	903.40
626	DEL TAX REVOLVING #26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
631	FACILITIES MGMT - O & M	0.00	0.00	8.00	8.00
632	FACILITIES MGMT - TRANSP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
633	FACILITIES MGMT - GEN SVC	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
634	GEN. SVCS - REVOLV.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
644	SELF INSURANCE FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
665	FRINGE BENEFIT REVOLVING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
690	CENTRIX ASSOC. FUND	0.00	1,045.02	0.00	1,045.02
		$35,789.37	$0.00	$199.42	$35,988.79

Citizen Participation
None.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation
None.

Adjournment
Comm. Chockley supported by Comm. Montague moved to adjourn until Wednesday, January 21, 1998, at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Room, Washtenaw County Administration Building. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

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Suzanne Shaw, Chair

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Peggy M. Haines, Clerk/Register
By: Barbara L. King, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: 01/21/98