



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday November 2, 2011

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

A session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held at the Administration Building, in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Wednesday, November 2, 2011.

The meeting was called to order at 10:25 p.m. by Conan Smith, Chair of the Board.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Bergman, Brabec, Gunn, Peterson, Ping, Prater, Rabhi, Conan Smith, Dan Smith, and Turner

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comm. Sizemore

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator, Verna McDaniel; Interim Deputy County Administrator, Kelly Belknap; Corporation Counsel Curtis Hedger; Jerry Clayton, County Sheriff; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Mary Jo Callan, Community Development; Tony VanDerworp, Economic Development and Energy; Michael Smith, Veterans Affairs; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; Tina Gavalier, Finance; Lisa Greco, Children's Services; Patricia Denig, ETCS; Greg Dill, Sheriff's office; Andy Brush, Information Technology; Dave Shirley, Facilities; Ben Toole, ITS; Cheryl Perry, County Administration; Peter Simms, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved that the minutes of the October 19, 2011 meeting of the Board of Commissioners be approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Participation

Dr. Douglas Smith stated that there was an article in annarbor.com about neglect in foster homes. He noted that the company who owns the foster home in question has a contract with WCHO. He detailed the alleged mistreatment of a woman who died. He asked why the WCHO kept renewing the contract with this company. He urged the commissioners to look into this issue.

Thomas Partridge, Democrat, called on the board to defer voting on the budget for 2012-2013 until they have provided funds for HeadStart. He said that programs like HeadStart and HSHV are important. He stated that if money is cut for HSHV then the county may have a rabies problem. He added that it is important that HSHV is fully funded by the county.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizen Participation

NONE

Communications

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

R-0105 RECEIVED: October 14, 2011. A letter to the Board of Commissioners, from Laurie Fromhart, Clerk, Bridgewater Township re: Act 283, not dated. Received and filed.

R-0106 RECEIVED: October 18, 2011. A letter to the Board of Commissioners, from Dianne Hill, Clerk, City of Saline, re: 0.6 Property Tax Millage for Roads, October 15, 2011. Received and filed.

R-0107 RECEIVED: October 19, 2011. A letter Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Anonymous citizen, re: HSHV Funding dated October 13, 2011. Received and filed.

R-0108 RECEIVED: October 20, 2011. A letter to Conan Smith, Chair, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation, U.S. Department of Transportation, re: Woodward Avenue Light Rail Transit Project, dated October 14th, 2011. Received and filed.

R-0109 RECEIVED: October 20, 2011. A MAC legislative update, re: land cap legislation, dated October 14, 2011. Received and filed, copies of the plan were not printed in the packet due to size, but are available upon request to the Washtenaw County Clerk's office.

R-0110 RECEIVED: October 24, 2011. A letter to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Elaine Richardson, County Clerk, Wexford County, re: Statutory Exemption for Stormwater Runoff from Logging Roads, not dated. Received and filed.

Liaison Reports

Comm. Turner reported that phase 1 of construction at the Courthouse has been completed. He stated that phase 2 has begun and that the end date is still estimated as the end of February. He noted that the layout of the space is much better.

Comm. Turner stated that he and Comm. Rabhi attended a ribbon cutting for the bridges opened in Lima and Sharon Township. He said that this was a demonstration of what can happen when the Road Commission and Townships collaborate.

Comm. Conan Smith noted that he was appointed to serve on a task force for regional transportation and that he was working closely with Ann Arbor transportation. He invited the commissioners to share their thoughts with him.

Report of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners

11-0182 Comm. Gunn Seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution supporting the Saline Historic Downtown Alliance in their application for the Michigan Main Street Program – Select Level be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore) Motion carried.

Special Order of Business

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Ping moved to cancel the Working Session to be held on November 3, 2011. Motion carried, passed by voice vote.

Comm. Brabec seconded by Comm. Rabhi moved to adjourn to Executive Session. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 10 NAYS 0 ABSENT 1 (Comm. Sizemore)

Reports of the Standing Committees

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the following reports be received and approved: Ways & Means, dated October 19, 2011; Working Sessions, dated October 13, 2011 and October 20, 2011. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Reports of Special Committees

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the following reports be received: Concealed Weapons Licensing Board, dated September 20, 2011. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Other Reports

None

Report of the Treasurer

None

Appointments

None

Report of the County Administrator

Verna McDaniel thanked the board for their attention to the budget.

Resolutions:

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11-0175 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution ratifying the electronic submission of the grant application to the James A. and Faith Knight Foundation in the amount of \$40,000 for the period of one year after the grant agreements are signed be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore) Motion carried.

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11-0176 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution ratifying the signature of the County Administrator on the contract submission to the Michigan Department of Agriculture Clean Sweep Project in the total amount of \$30,000 for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 for the Solid Waste Department; authorizing the Administrator to sign the notice of award; amending the budget; authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore) Motion carried.

11-0177 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution authorizing the grant application submission to Ingham county for the Social Justice Dialogue Project in the total amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the period of November 1, 2011 through December 31, 2012 for the Public Health Department; amending the budget; authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore) Motion carried.

11-0178 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution authorizing the signature of the Chair of the Board on the 2011-2012 State Child Care Fund Budget Summary Form 2091 to the State of Michigan, Department of Human Services, Bureau of Juvenile Justice for the Child Care Fund for the Trial Court, Children's Services, and the Washtenaw County Department of Human Services in the amount of \$8,559,333 for the period of October 2, 2011 to September 20, 2012 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore) Motion carried.

11-0179 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution authorizing the Board of Commissioners to ratify the County Administrator's signature on the electronic submission of the grant application to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority for the 2011-12 Emergency Solutions Grant Program in the amount of \$286,509; authorize the County Administrator to sign the notice of grant award; approve the budgets; and authorizing the County Administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore) Motion carried.

New Business

11-0180 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution authorizing the creation of a task force to provide leadership for *seeds for change: growing prosperity in ypsilanti* – an agri-business job training & entrepreneurial program. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore). Motion carried.

Approval of Claims

11-0181 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the resolution authorizing payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of October 21, 2011 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Sizemore). Motion carried.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

None

Citizen Participation

None

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None

Adjournment

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved to adjourn until Wednesday November 16th, 2011, at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Room, Washtenaw County Administration Building. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

Conan Smith, Chair

Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register

By: Peter Simms, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: 11/16/11