



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

April 17, 2002

Chair Kern called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. in the Board Room, Administration Building, 220 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Armentrout, Bergman, Craiger, DeLong, Gunn, Irwin, Kern, Kestenbaum, Montague, Peterson, Prater, Shaw, Sizemore, Solowczuk, Yekulis.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob Guenzel, County Administrator, Frank Cambria, Deputy Administrator; Curtis Hedger, Corporation Counsel; Peter Ballios, Finance Director; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Amy Klinke, James Piangozza, Administration; Peter Collinson, Tina Gavalier, Finance; Donna Sabourin, CMH; Pat Horn-McGee, Head Start; David Behen, Facility Management; Ellen Clement, Public Health; Raman Patel, Richard Steffens, Marge Bixby, Charles Mosher, Donna Newlon, Bill Guenther, Don Burtraw, Tim Kettinger, Lori Cash, Tommie Cotton, Bob Brazeau, Equalization; Tony Savoni, Architect; Tenda Rusher, ETCS; Denise Dalrymple, Lisa Greco, Children's Services; Mark Roby, Planning; Barbara L. King, Deputy Clerk; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Citizens' Participation

David Shumaker addressed the Board regarding the proposed smoking ban. He asked that when the County considers this, they should make it apply to the whole County and not exempt restaurants.

Mike Koutsogianis addressed the Board regarding fees charged by the health department for licenses. He believes the fees are too high.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation

Comm. Armentrout requested that the Board hold a working Session on how fees are set in the County.

Comms. Gunn and Bergman responded to Mr. Shumaker and said the smoking ban has not yet been developed.

Comm. Kestenbaum said that although Ingham County's initial smoking ban exempted restaurants and bars, they are planning on adopting a separate one that will deal with restaurants and bars. He also said he would be interested in visiting the issue of fees at a Working Session.

New Business:

Presentation

Chair Shaw presented the resolution proclaiming the week of May 5-11, 2002, as Tourism Week in Washtenaw County to Mary Kerr, Director of the Ann Arbor Convention & Visitors Bureau. Ms. Kerr invited the Board to preview a new tour, the Underground Railroad Tour of Ann Arbor & Ypsilanti that will be offered to the public in June. On

Tuesday, May 7, the tour will begin at 2:00 p.m. at Washtenaw Community College, with dinner following the tour at the Brown Chapel AME Church.

Children's Services – Washtenaw Intermediate School District Contract

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Bergman moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution, at the Board Meeting tonight, authorizing the Administrator to sign the contract with Washtenaw Intermediate School District for education for the Detention Center and the O'Brien Center for two school years for a total amount of \$613,691.

Denis Dalrymple, Director of Children's Services, answered questions.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 14. NAYS: 1 (Sizemore). ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Washtenaw Community Health Organization

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Bergman moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution, at the Board Meeting tonight, to approve the hiring of Jeanne Eiler as a Senior Management Analyst at an annual salary of \$55,000.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 14. NAYS: 1 (Sizemore). ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Employment Training & Community Services Group

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Bergman moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on the Employment Training and Community Services (ETCS) Group's Fiscal Year 2002 Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) application to the State Family Independence Agency for the Emergency Assistance Program in the amount of \$77,981 for the period of March 1, 2002, through September 30, 2002; authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; approving the budget; and authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 14. NAYS: 1 (Sizemore). ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Equalization – 2002 Equalization Report

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Bergman moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution, at the Board Meeting tonight, approving the 2002 Washtenaw County Equalization Report.

Raman Patel, Equalization Director, provided a slide presentation on the Washtenaw County 2002 Equalized and Tentative Taxable Values. Mr. Patel and Richard Steffens (Equalization Supervisor) answered questions.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 14. NAYS: 1 (Sizemore). ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Administration – Space Plan Committee Project

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Bergman moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution, at the Board Meeting tonight, establishing and appointing a Space Plan Committee and authorizing the Administrator to sign the contract with HLM Design, Inc. to assist the Committee. Comm. Yekulis suggested adding a Michigan Townships Association to the Committee. Comm. Peterson suggested adding the Eastern County Government Center to the 6th paragraph. Comms. Gunn and Bergman agreed that these two additions would be friendly amendments. Comm. Irwin moved to delete the first charge of the Space Plan Committee (dealing with a County Facilities short-term review), and add Public Safety to the second charge. The motion was seconded by Comm. Bergman.

Roll call vote on amendment: YEAS: 3. NAYS: 12 (Armentrout, Craiger, DeLong, Kern, Kestenbaum, Montague, Peterson, Prater, Shaw, Sizemore, Solowczuk, Yekulis). ABSENT: None. Motion failed.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 14. NAYS: 1 (Sizemore). ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Report of the County Administrator

Presentation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report & Management Letter:

Peter Ballios, Finance Director, Mark Kettner, representative of Rehmann Robson, and Peter Collinson, Senior Accountant/Auditor, provided a presentation on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and GASB 34 Financial Statements. Time was provided for questions and answers.

Facilities Management Space Plan Activities Update

David Behen, Interim Facilities Management Director, provided a summary of Facilities Management Space Plan Activities that included the following:

- 200 North Main
- Western County Service Center
- Juvenile Detention/Day Treatment Center
- Downtown Shelter
- Head Start
- HVA & Morgue
- Corrections
- Annex Remodeling
- Courthouse Remodeling

Mr. Guenzel and Mr. Behen answered questions.

Washtenaw Housing Alliance Fund Raising Campaign

Mr. Guenzel distributed a copy of the Washtenaw Housing Alliance Fund Raising Campaign.

Report of the Chair of the Board

None.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

Citizen Participation

None.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None.

Adjournment

Comm. Solowczuk seconded by Comm. Gunn moved that the meeting be adjourned until May 1, 2002.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Martha L. Kern, Chair

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

APPROVED: May 1, 2002