



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

July 8, 2009

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room, Administration Building, 220 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Bergman, Gunn, Irwin, Judge, Ouimet, Peterson, Ping, Prater, Schwartz, Sizemore, and Smith.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator Bob Guenzel; Deputy County Administrator, Verna McDaniel; Corporation Counsel Curt Hedger; Catherine McClary, County Treasurer; Jerry Clayton, County Sheriff; Jennifer Watson, James McFarlane, Andy Brush, Support Services; Kari Dorr, Prosecuting Attorney's office; Peter Ballios, Finance; Mary Jo Callan, Community Development; Patricia Horne-McGee, Head Start; Nancy Thelen, MSU Extension; Dick Fleece, Public Health; Tony VanDerworp, Strategic Planning; Mark Lindke, Veterans Affairs; Greg Dill, Sheriff's Department; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Tenda Rusher, ETCS; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; Marc Breckenridge, Emergency Management; Ben Toole, ITS; Scott Patton, Joanna Bidlack, Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Citizen Participation

Jim Mogensen, 3780 Green Brier Blvd., 345-A, Ann Arbor, 48105, stated that he would like to speak to the budget reduction resolution. Mogensen stated that he feels more and more human services are being sources to non-profits. He stated that there is a point in which non-profits can really do nothing.

Tom Partridge stated that he recommends meeting more than once a month because the state and the county are in a serious recession. He stated that the need for public transportation in the county is being ignored.

John Weiss, 1206 Pearl St., Ypsilanti, stated that he would like to report on the Washtenaw Youth Initiative. He stated that the youth voice is central and strong. Weiss added that he would like to bring together a broad array of stakeholders including many young people. He added that he urges the group to adopt the highest quality of standards.

Jackie Martin, 4855 Cottonwood Ln., Chelsea, reported on the 4-H Ambassador program. She stated that she would like to invite all to the County 4-H show at the end of July and introduced two members of the program.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation

Comm. Sizemore stated that County Parks and Recreation is looking at a recreation program to piggy back with other youth programs. He added that work is being done on establishing a central committee.

Comm. Bergman stated that she hopes outside funding can be looked at.

Comm. Ouimet stated that high quality people go through the 4-H program in Washtenaw County. He added that Nancy Thelen does an excellent job working with the group.

Comm. Judge stated that it is important to fund agencies at an appropriate level in order to not inhibit them. She added that some cuts will be necessary. Comm. Judge thanked Weiss and stated that she received an evaluation of work from Weiss over the past year and would be happy to share it with the entire Board.

New Business:

Arts Alliance Presentation

Tamara Real presented the Washtenaw County Cultural Master Plan (on file in County Clerk's office).

Comm. Judge stated that she has had a chance to see what will be implemented at a local level. She added that it has been great to see all of the partnerships and stated that people are really getting things done on this project.

Comm. Irwin stated that he would be supporting the resolution. He added that the places that stand out most in his mind are places with great arts and natural beauty. He stated that he is interested in future projects that would get the County involved. Comm. Ouimet stated that he can see the economic impact in Chelsea and in Dexter. He added that this brings a lot of high quality energy to a community.

Area Agency on Aging Presentation

Tina Abbate Marzolf presented the AAA 1-B plan (on file in County Clerk's office).

Discussion took place on staffing and the Meals on Wheels program.

Comm. Smith asked if Weatherization dollars have been tapped. Marzolf reported that most of these dollars are coming through community service agencies. She added that these dollars often get funneled.

Comm. Bergman stated that an idea that has come up is vouchering some of these meals to neighbors. Marzolf reported that there is a pilot program at American House. She stated that a setting has been established for low income people in assisted living.

Health Community of Interest:

Public Health:

2009-10 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the electronic application submission to the Department of Justice Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant by the Public Health Department in the amount of \$82,682 for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010; authorizing the 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: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) Grant Application

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Administrator's signature on the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) grant application for funds available through the Advanced Practice Centers (APCS) Program in the amount of \$466,489 for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 29, 2010; authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; amending the budget; creating a grant status 1.0 FTE Health Educator and a grant status 1.0 FTE Sanitarian contingent upon receipt of the grant award; and authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Children's Well-Being Community of Interest:

Head Start:

2009-10 Head Start One-Time Improvement Grant

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to sign the application to the Department of Health and Human Services for the Washtenaw County Head Start Program; a program of excellence, for one time funds for program improvement and health and safety improvements for the period of August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010 in the amount of \$155,332; authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; amending the 2009-10 Head Start budget; and authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Economic Development Community of Interest:

ETCS:

Weatherization Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Administrator's signature on the Plan Agreement for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Weatherization Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program Plan to the Michigan Department of Human Services in the amount of \$64,500 for the program period May 24, 2009 through September 30, 2010 for Employment Training and Community Services; authorizing the 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: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Foster Grandparent - State

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Administrator's signature on the Foster Grandparent Program Multi-Year Plan submitted to the State of Michigan, Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2012; and the annual funding agreement for the Foster Grandparent Program for Employment Training and Community Services, in the amount of \$10,664; authorizing the 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: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Public Safety and Justice Community of Interest:

Prosecuting Attorney:

Annual 2010 Cooperative Reimbursement Grant

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the Administrator on an application with the Michigan Department of Human Services for Cooperative Reimbursement funds for the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 in the amount of \$681,000; \$231,540 in local match and \$449,460 in State and Federal Funds be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Trial Court – Friend of the Court:

Annual 2010 Cooperative Reimbursement Grant

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the County Administrator on the application for the FY 2010 Title IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement with the Michigan Department of Human Services, Office of Child Support, for the Friend of the Court in an amount not to exceed \$3,969,161 for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Community Corrections:

Community Corrections Advisory Board Grant

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the Administrator on an application to the State of Michigan, Michigan Department of Corrections/Office of Community Corrections, and Washtenaw County/City of Ann Arbor Community Corrections Board for the FY 2009 Washtenaw County/City of Ann Arbor Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan in the amount of \$889,292 for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Civic Infrastructure Community of Interest:

Treasurer:

Washtenaw County Land Bank Authority

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Washtenaw County Treasurer as the foreclosing governmental unit to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the State of Michigan Land Bank Track Authority for the purpose of establishing a Washtenaw County Land Bank Authority and approving the intergovernmental agreement between the Michigan Land Bank fast track authority and the treasurer of the County of Washtenaw, Michigan be adopted.

Comm. Irwin seconded by Comm. Prater moved to amend the final paragraph of the resolution to read: NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator to negotiate a contract with the Washtenaw County Land Bank Authority Board to permit the Land Bank Authority to operate, in part, using County resources, provided such resources are fully reimbursed back to the County from Land Bank Authority funds, upon the review and approval of Corporation Counsel and approval of the Board of Commissioners. Amendment accepted as friendly.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Office of the Administrator:

2010-11 Budget Reduction

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution reducing the 2010-11 Administration budget be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 3 (Comms. Bergman, Gunn, and Irwin) ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Transfer Oversight of Emergency Management to the Sheriff's Office

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution transferring administrative responsibility of Emergency Management to the Office of the Sheriff be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Report of the Administrator:

None

Report of the Chair of the Board

Comm. Sizemore reported that there would be a five minute break before the start of the Board of Commissioners meeting.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

None

Citizen Participation

Tom Partridge stated that he would like to see a two meeting per month minimum for the Board of Commissioners. He added that he would like to see an agenda item avoiding the elimination of public transit in Washtenaw County.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None

Pending

None

Adjournment

Comm. Peterson seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the meeting be adjourned until August 5th, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Conan Smith, Chair

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

APPROVED: 8/5/09