



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

March 3, 2010

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. Gunn, Irwin, Judge, Ouimet, Peterson, Ping, Prater, Schwartz, Sizemore, and Smith.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comm. Bergman

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator Bob Guenzel; Deputy County Administrator, Verna McDaniel; Jerry Clayton, County Sheriff; Corporation Counsel Curt Hedger; Catherine McClary, County Treasurer; Jennifer Watson, Budget; Mary Jo Callan, Community Development; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Jenny Bivens, Tiffany Lucas, ETCS; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; James McFarlane, Support Services; Dick Fleece, Public Health; Dan Myers, Public Works; Ken Schrader, ITS; Joanna Bidlack, Stephanie Jensen, Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Citizen Participation

Brian Nord, Representative of Mission stated that the MSP has threatened to evict people from an outdoor camp being utilized by the homeless. He added that volunteers will not have nearly as much access to these sites. Nord stated that a lot of support has come out since news of the evacuation came out. He stated that the rotating shelter is a great example of what has been done.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation

Comm. Judge stated that she would like to thank Brian Nord for attending and added that his group has come together out of the goodness of their hearts. She stated that she would like to bring people together that have been working on the blueprint.

New Business:

Health:

Public Health:

Public Health Plan of Organization

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution approving the submission of the Washtenaw County Public Health Department Plan of Organization and ratifying the signature of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners on the Plan of Organization Approval Form be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

Refugee Health Program

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the County Administrator's signature on the contract with Michigan Department of Community Health Office of Refugee Health upon presentation; approving fees; and amending the budget be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

Economic Development:

Community Development:

Create 1.0 FTE Position

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the creation of a 1.0 FTE grant funded Management Analyst I/II position (Grade 27/29) be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

ETCS:

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on the application to the Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS), for the FY 2010 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) in the amount of \$837,145 for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 for ETCS; authorizing the Administrator to sign the notice of grant award; amending the budget; authorizing the administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

Food Assistance Employment & Training

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the Chair of the Board on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Food Assistance Employment and Training (FAE&T) Program Plan Application to the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth (MDELEG) for ETCS in the amount of \$97,871 for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

Jobs, Education, and Training (JET) Plan

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the application to the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth (DELEG) for the ETCS Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 JET Plan in the amount of \$1,553,839 for the period of October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010 for the Employment Training and Community Services (ETCS) Department be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

Civic Infrastructure:

Treasurer:

Delinquent Tax Borrowing

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution to borrow against anticipated delinquent 2009 real property taxes be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

Land Use & Environment:

Water Resources Commissioner:

Bond Refunding for Sylvan Township Water and Wastewater Systems

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution to authorize the issuance of not to exceed \$10,400,000 Washtenaw County – Sylvan Township Water and Wastewater System Improvements Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Bergman). Motion carried.

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

Continue discussion on Board Priorities Process postponed until the March 17, 2010 Ways and Means meeting

Comm. Judge thanked all who attended the meeting of the Washtenaw Internet Safety Task Force. She stated that this was an organizational meeting that brought together an amazing group of people. Comm. Judge stated that this group would be meeting once a month with the rollout of the Task Force in late September.

Citizen Participation

Brian Nord stated that until governments can recover than a rotating outdoor shelter may be a way to continue the Blueprint to End Homelessness.

Toine Murphy stated that the 2010 Census is upon us and added that we are approximately 30 days out from the count. He added that this process is easy and stated that there are only 10 questions on the application. Murphy stated that it is important to be counted in 2010. He reported that March 15th applications will be sent out. He added that people seeking temporary employment with the U.S. Census Bureau can call 1-866-861-2010.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

Comm. Sizemore stated that he would like to thank the gentlemen for coming out and speaking about the Census. He added that it was important to let the Board know what is going on. He added that he would like to see information added to the webpage.

Comm. Prater asked if there is work being done to get into multi-family housing. It was reported that the mail out is being done along with knocking on doors at least six times. He added that translators will also be available. Murphy added that leadership also needs to make sure people are aware that this process is safe.

Pending

None

Adjournment

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Schwartz moved that the meeting be adjourned until March 17th, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Conan Smith, Chair

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

APPROVED: March 17, 2010