



## WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

April 7, 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. Bergman, Gunn, Irwin, Ouimet, Peterson, Prater, Sizemore, and Smith.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Comms. Judge, Ping, and Schwartz

**OTHERS PRESENT:** County Administrator Bob Guenzel; Deputy County Administrator, Verna McDaniel; Corporation Counsel Curtis Hedger; Catherine McClary, County Treasurer; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Mark Lindke, Veterans Affairs; Patricia Denig, ETCS; Jennifer Watson, Budget; Peter Collinson, Finance; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; Greg Dill, Sheriff's Department; Tony VanDerworp, Economic Development and Energy; Mark Lindke, Veteran Affairs; James McFarlane, Andy Brush, Support Services; Ken Schrader, ITS; Joanna Bidlack, Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

#### Roll Call

#### Citizen Participation

None

#### Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation

None

#### New Business:

#### **Literacy Coalition Presentation - Literacy Coalition Co- Chairs Bob Guenzel and Josie Parker and Program Coordinator Vanessa Mayesky (presented at Ways and Means)**

Comm. Peterson stated that he wanted to echo the appreciation for work done on the coalition.

#### **Report of the Treasurer (on file in County Clerk's office)**

McClary reported that the mortgage prevention hotline # is (734) 222-9595 in addition to her presented report.

Comm. Sizemore asked how much the dog license fee is for the dog park. Tetens reported that fees are on a sliding scale.

Comm. Peterson stated that he would like to express appreciation for the Treasurer and the staff in the Treasurer's office.

#### Economic Development:

#### ETCS:

#### Employment Services

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the Chair of the Board for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Employment Services (ES) plan and budget to the Michigan Department of Energy Labor and Economic Growth (MDELEG) for the ETCS Department in the amount of \$498,065 for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 (Comms. Judge, Ping, and Schwartz). Motion carried.

### **Reemployment Services**

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Gunn 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) 2009 Reemployment Services (RES) plan and budget to the Michigan Department of Energy Labor and Economic Growth (MDELEG) for the ETCS Department in the amount of \$300,000 for the period of July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 (Comms. Judge, Ping, and Schwartz). Motion carried.

### **Public Safety & Justice:**

#### **Sheriff:**

#### **Jail Expansion Staffing Recommendation**

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the creation of four (4) Sergeant, nineteen (19) Corrections Officers and sixteen (16) Community Service Officer positions to adequately staff the Washtenaw County Jail with the completion of the jail expansion initiative; amending the budget and authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 (Comms. Judge, Ping, and Schwartz). Motion carried.

### **Trial Court – Juvenile Division:**

#### **Annual Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG)**

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the submission of the application to the State of Michigan, Department of Human Services for Juvenile Accountability Block Grant program (JABG) in the amount of \$22,873 for the period April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 (Comms. Judge, Ping, and Schwartz). Motion carried.

#### **Juvenile Drug Court Grant – Expand Substance Abuse Treatment**

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution to ratify the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in the amount of \$975,000 for the period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2013 to expand and enhance the treatment services provided through the Washtenaw County Juvenile Drug Court be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 (Comms. Judge, Ping, and Schwartz). Motion carried.

### **Human Services:**

#### **Head Start:**

#### **Head Start Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Grant**

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the signature of the Chair of the Board on the application to the Department of Health and Human Services for the ARRA COLA of the Head Start program for the period of August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011 in the amount of \$63,631; and authorizing the Administrator to sign the notice of grant award and amending the budget be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 (Comms. Judge, Ping, and Schwartz). Motion carried.

### **Report of the Chair of the Board**

Comm. Sizemore reported that he would like to work with a few of the commissioners and the Treasurer on some other ways to help people with foreclosures. He added that there would be a ten minute break before the start of the Board of Commissioners meeting.

### **Items for Current/Future Discussion**

**Presentation of the Ann Arbor Area Convention & Visitors Bureau and Ypsilanti Area Convention & Visitors Bureau 2009 Marketing Plan Results – Mary Kerr and Debbie Locke-Daniels (on file in County Clerk's office)**

Comm. Sizemore stated that he would like to thank the presenters and added that he has requested film equipment donations from the film industry to local high schools.

Comm. Ouimet stated that all members of the AOC are impressed with work done by the CVB's. He added that the staff in both Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor are doing an excellent job of executing the game plan.

Comm. Smith asked if the impact in Washtenaw County on hotel bookings lessened because of work done in marketing by the CVB's. Kerr reported that the hotel association president has reported that advertising has had an impact. She added that a meeting would be taking place on this topic April 30th. She added that traffic to hotel websites has been up but stated that actual bookings are not tracked. Locke-Daniels reported that she feels more will be known after the meeting at the end of the month. Comm. Smith stated that the case was made that raising the Accommodations Tax has assisted in marketing. Kerr reported that hotels reported that this is true. Comm. Smith stated that he appreciates the metrics that were presented.

**Citizen Participation**

None

**Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation**

None

**Pending**

None

**Adjournment**

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Peterson moved that the meeting be adjourned until April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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Conan Smith, Chair

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

APPROVED: April 21, 2010