



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

May 19, 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, Judge, Ouimet, Peterson, Ping, Prater, Schwartz, Sizemore, and Smith.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator, Verna McDaniel; Corporation Counsel Curtis Hedger; Jerry Clayton, County Sheriff; Lawrence Kestenbaum, County Clerk; Catherine McClary, County Treasurer; Patricia Denig, ETCS; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; Greg Dill, Sheriff's Department; Diane Heidt, Monica Boote, Human Resources; James McFarlane, Andy Brush, Support Services; Ben Toole, ITS; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Citizen Participation

Lawrence Kestenbaum, County Clerk, stated that he feels that naming structures is generally a good thing. He added that there is some uneasiness about naming a building after a living person. Kestenbaum stated that he feels some kind of process or committee for naming buildings would be helpful. He stated that he would like some thought on this issue.

Tom Partridge stated that he is a candidate for the 18th State Senate District in the August Primary. He added that he would like the Board to advance the causes of Washtenaw County. Partridge stated that the Board should cooperate with other jurisdictions and advance the interests of southeastern Michigan.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation

Comm. Judge stated that it may be worth taking a look at setting up commissions to name buildings.

New Business:

Civic Infrastructure:

Treasurer:

Accommodation Ordinance 0.5 FTE Creation

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the creation of 0.5 FTE Accountant I/II/III position within the Treasurer's Office to be funded entirely by revenues generated by the Accommodation Ordinance administrative fees be adopted.

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

Land Use & Environment:

Parks & Recreation:

Natural Areas Preservation Program Ordinance

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution amending the Washtenaw County Natural Areas Preservation Program Ordinance No. 128 be adopted.

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

County Administrator:

VEBA Board Trust Document

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution adopting amendments of the Washtenaw County Voluntary Employees Beneficiary Association Trust Agreement to incorporate accumulated changes be adopted.

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

Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor Pool

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution creating three-firm vendor pools for bond counsel and financial advisor and authorizing the County Administrator to execute contracts with the recommended firms upon review of Corporation Counsel be adopted.

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

Setting the Millage Rate

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution setting the 2010 Washtenaw County millage rate at 5.6768 be adopted.

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

Report of the Administrator:

Verna McDaniel reported on the Working Session content.

Report of the Chair of the Board

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

Items for Current/Future Discussion

Comm. Judge stated that McClary won the Liberty Bell Award. She stated that it was an honor to be at the Bench Bar Conference. She added that she is concerned about decreasing numbers in law enforcement. Comm. Judge stated that she set up a meeting through SEMCOG on cooperation through IT. She added that the next meeting has been scheduled.

Citizen Participation

None

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None

Pending

None

Adjournment

Comm. Schwartz seconded by Comm. Bergman moved that the meeting be adjourned until June 2nd, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:54 p.m.

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Prater moved to send the VEBA Board Trust Document resolution to the Board of Commissioners on the same night. Roll call vote: YEAS: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0. Motion carried.

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Prater moved to adjourn. Motion carried.

Conan Smith, Chair

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

APPROVED: June 2, 2010