WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

September 7, 2011

Comm. Rolland Sizemore 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, Judge, Ping, Prater, Rabhi, Conan Smith, Dan Smith, and Turner.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comm. Peterson

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator, Verna McDaniel; Interim Deputy County Administrator, Kelly Belknap; Corporation Counsel Curtis Hedger; Jerry Clayton, County Sheriff; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Mary Jo Callan, Community Development; Tony VanDerworp, Economic Development and Energy; Michael Smith, Veterans Affairs; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; Tina Gavalier, Finance; Lisa Greco, Children's Services; Patricia Denig, ETCS; Greg Dill, Sheriff's office; Andy Brush, Information Technology; Dave Shirley, Facilities; Ben Toole, ITS; Cheryl Perry, County Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Citizen Participation

Owen Schumeister of the Washtenaw County Homeless Shelter addressed the Board to show them how the county investment in the homeless shelter is being spent. She told a story about a woman named Charlotte who was an addict but took advantage of the shelter services in order to become a contributing member of society.

Dianne, also from the shelter, shared a story about a developmentally disabled man named Richard whose life has been dramatically improved thanks to the efforts of the homeless shelter.

Thomas Partridge, Democrat, advocate of those who are voiceless, including seniors and the middle class, relayed to the board that he had spoken to City Council the previous night, Tuesday, September 6, and had found city council member Charles Reem to be "over the top".

Lee Graydon from Eastern Michigan University, urged the board to renew the Act 88 Millage. Graydon said that Act 88 creates job, widens the tax base and the proposal put before the board would only cost $6/citizen. He went on to say that there was citizen support for this act.

Paul Krutko, president of Ann Arbor SPARK, distributed to the board two handouts addressing the benefits of SPARK to the community.

Gretchen Driskell, Mayor of Saline, was there to speak on behalf of SPARK. She sits on the executive committee. She pointed out to the board that SPARK is about more than just small businesses it is also about retention of large businesses in our community. Driskell went on to say that Ann Arbor SPARK has a small budget and so county donations were greatly appreciated.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation

Comm. Turner thanked the delegates from the homeless shelter for their stories and their work. He also addressed the people from Ann Arbor Spark saying that as a member of the business community he appreciated hearing from them and he offered them his support.

Comm. Sizemore asked Paul Krutko of Ann Arbor Spark whether or not high school and college kids were allowed to job shadow on their projects. Krutko was unsure of the answer to that question, but assured the comm. That he felt those projects were important.

New Business:

A. Health

1. Public Health:

a. Appointing Medical Examiner:

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution appointment of Jeffrey Jentzen, M.D., Ph.D. as Medical Examiner, and Bader Cassin, M.D., Ph.D. as Deputy Medical Examiner be adopted.

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

b. Position Eliminations and Reclassifications:

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the electronic submission by the county Health Officer to the Michigan Department of Community Health for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 be adopted.

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

2. Community Support & Treatment Services:

a. Fiscal Year 2012-2011 Budget + Position Modifications

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution approving the 2011-2012 Community Support and Treatment Services (CSTS) FY 2011-2012 Budget for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 be adopted.

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

B. Economic Development

1. Employment Training & Community Services

a. Workforce Investment Act

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the budget summary submission to the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth for the period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 to deliver WIA services to 245 eligible Adults, 290 eligible Dislocated Workers, and 360 eligible Youth to provide core, intensive, and training services as determined necessary by a skills assessment be adopted.

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

b. Foster Grandparent Program

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on the agreement to the State of Michigan Office of Services to the Aging for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 to provide opportunities for 75 persons at age 55 or over, who have limited income, to volunteer working with children with special needs. The volunteer receives a stipend, transportation to and from the volunteer site, one meal per day, and an annual physical exam be adopted.

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

c. Senior Nutrition

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on the Third Year Contract Addendum to the Area Agency on Aging 1B for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 to support the nutritional

health and independence of older adults in Washtenaw County by serving a total of 1,375 older adults 163,337 meals through Congregate and Home-Delivered meals be adopted.

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

C. Land Use & Environment

1. Water Resources Commissioner – Public Works

Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the contract with the city of Chelsea, the Township of Dexter, the Township of Lima, the Township of Lima, the Township of Lyndon, the Township of Manchester and the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority (WWRA), to improve the WWRA Material Recovery Facility to allow for signle-stream recycling services to the residents be adopted.

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

D. County Administrator

1. Insurance Renewals

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution accepting quotes for insurance coverage for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 in the amount of $1,021,275 be adopted.

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

2. Veterans Relief Millage

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution approving an Indigent Veteran's Relief Millage of 0.025 mills to be levied in December, 2011 as recommended by the Veteran's Affairs Committee for use during calendar year 2012 to provide relief for honorably discharged indigent members of the armed forces and their spouses, minor children and parents be adopted.

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

3. Agricultural and Economic Development Millage

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying an Agricultural and Economic Development millage of 0.05 mills to be levied in December 2011, as opposed to the 0.043 of a mill levied in December, 2010, for use during the calendar year 2012 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 7 NAYS: 3 (Comms. Ping, Prater, and Dan Smith) ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Peterson). Motion carried.

4. Suspending Washtenaw County's Use of Construction Unity Board Agreements

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution suspending the County's use of Construction Unity Board (CUB) Agreements in bid specifications and

construction/renovation contracts pending the outcome of recent litigation challenging the validity of Public Act 98 of 2011 be adopted.

Comm. Rabhi seconded by Comm. Turner moved to amend the resolution suspending Washtenaw County's Use of Construction Unity Board Agreements by adding the following language to the end of the resolution:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Washtenaw County continues to support the values that a CUB agreement embodies and asserts the effectiveness of such agreements in ensuring a fair and cooperative workplace.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon such time as it is permitted under State and/ or Federal law or otherwise ruled legal by State and/ or Federal Courts, it is understood that the County will reinstate its CUB agreement policy.

Roll call vote on the amendments: YEAS: 8 NAYS: 2 (Comms. Ping and Dan Smith) ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Peterson). Motion carried.

Roll call vote on the resolution: YEAS: 6 NAYS: 4 (Comms. Judge, Ping, Conan Smith and Dan Smith) ABSENT: 1 (Comms. Peterson). Motion carried.

5. Amending Ann Arbor Area and Ypsilanti Area Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc.

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution approving amendments to the current contracts with the Ann Arbor Area Convention Center and Visitors Bureau, Inc. and the Ypsilanti Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. to modify compensation language to distribute 75% of excess funds retained for administering the Accommodation Ordinances to the Ann Arbor Area Convention Center and Visitors Bureau, Inc. and 25% of excess funds to the Ypsilanti Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Inc be adopted.

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

6. Michigan Nurses Contract

Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the agreement between the Michigan Nurses Association and Washtenaw County for the period September 7, 2011 through December 31, 2013.

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

Report of the Administrator:
Jason Brooks introduces new Deputy Clerk, Peter Simms, to the board.

Report of the Chair of the Board
None

Items for Current/Future Discussion
None

Citizen Participation
Tom Partridge stated that he would like to say that he is alarmed by the lack of coordination among government entities in Washtenaw County regarding Medical Marijuana Laws.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation
None

Pending
None

Adjournment
Comm. Bergman seconded by voice vote of the board moved that the meeting be adjourned until September 21th, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

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Rolland Sizemore, Jr., Chair

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Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register
By: Peter Simms, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: