

**MINUTES OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2006**

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Wednesday, May 17, 2006, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mt. Clemens, the following members were present:

Slinde-Chair, Brandenburg, Brdak, Brown, Crouchman, DeSaele, DiMaria, Doherty, Flynn, Gielegem, Haggerty, Kennard, Lund, McCarthy, Mijac, Rengert, Revoir, Rocca, Sauger, Switalski, Szczepanski, Vosburg and White.

Absent and excused were Duzyj, Gibson and Hill.

Also Present:

John Foster, Assistant Director, Finance Department
George Brumbaugh, Director, Corporation Counsel
Frank Krycia, Assistant Corporation Counsel
John Anderson, Director, Risk Management & Safety Department
Lori Hodorek, Safety Specialist, Risk Management & Safety Department
Lynn Arnott-Bryks, Director, Facilities & Operations Department
Rhonda Deriemaecker, Director of Board Services
Phil Frame, Director, Office of Public Affairs
Michelle Sanborn, Jail Administrator
Bob Zabowski, Edmund London and Associates
Dan Cullin, Marsh
Chad Selweski, Reporter, The Macomb Daily

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Slinde called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Revoir, to adopt the agenda, as amended (to include #15d, e and f (resolutions) and two additional travel requests).

The Motion Carried.

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Rengert, supported by Haggerty, to approve the March 22 and April 12, 2006 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

LIST OF BILLS AS PREPARED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VOSBURG, SUPPORTED BY HAGGERTY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE MONTHLY BILLS (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$10,159,581.10, WITH NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Commissioner Brandenburg requested that her no votes be recorded for the bills for Cooking Light (a magazine subscription), contraceptives and Shamrock Cab.

FIRST QUARTER 2006 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION REPORT

MOTION

A motion was made by Haggerty, supported by Flynn, to receive and file the First Quarter 2006 Depository Resolution Report. **The Motion Carried.**

ADOPT REVISED 2006 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HAGGERTY, SUPPORTED BY RENGERT, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE REVISED 2006 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PUBLIC FUND DEPOSITORIES IN COMPLIANCE WITH ACT 40, PUBLIC ACTS OF 1932, AS AMENDED. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

AGREEMENT BETWEEN MACOMB COUNTY AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENT SERVICE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RENGERT, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MACOMB COUNTY AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENT SERVICE (GPS). **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**RECOMMENDATION FOR PROPERTY & CASUALTY AND EXCESS WORKERS'
COMPENSATION INSURANCE AGENT OF RECORD**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VOSBURG, SUPPORTED BY FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF JOHN ANDERSON, DIRECTOR, RISK MANAGEMENT AND SAFETY, JOHN FOSTER, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, FINANCE, AND FRANK KRYCIA, ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL, (THE REVIEW PANEL) IN SELECTING MARSH USA INC. AS THE PROPERTY AND CASUALTY AND EXCESS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE AGENT OF RECORD FOR A THREE-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009.

Commissioner Brown referred to the RFP criteria and said he felt it eliminated smaller firms.

Mr. Anderson stated that the RFP was developed with a lot of consideration and was based on what other counties do. He said a county this size needs staff with multi-dimensional talents and some of the smaller firms are not able to leverage the markets like larger firms. He said he kept the integrity in place and included the minimum he thought would be best to serve this county.

Commissioner Revoir thought a shorter period of time should be approved to give the Board an opportunity to go out for competitive bids.

Commissioner Gielegem said he was not ready to enter into a long-term contract and wanted to see the Board consider extending the existing contract and studying this further.

Commissioner Szczepanski questioned whether it would be appropriate to make an amendment to extend the contract for one year.

Mr. Krycia said he was concerned with a one-year contract because the Board already approved an RFP for a three-year contract and it went out for bids. He said the entire process would have to be redone and the prices might be different.

Chair Slinde said she would not accept the amendment.

Further questions were asked.

Commissioner Brown stated that he will support the recommendation based on some of the comments that have been made.

Chair Slinde called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH REVOIR VOTING "NO."**

HIRING OF SUMMER INTERN FOR RISK MANAGEMENT & SAFETY DEPARTMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Brandenburg, supported by Doherty, to direct Mr. Anderson to contact Madonna University to see if they would be willing to provide an intern at no cost or pay the County for an internship.

Mr. Anderson indicated that he will make every effort to get an intern at no cost and will contact other universities, but he was concerned because we are approaching the time when students are let out for the summer.

Ms. Hodorek provided an explanation of what an intern has done for their department in the past, which included training and summer facility inspections.

Commissioner Brown thought the motion is contrary to the item on the agenda.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Szczepanski, to approve the hiring of one summer intern to work for the Risk Management and Safety Department at a cost not to exceed \$2,520, but only if the Risk Manager is unable to find an intern at no cost after making requests from 10 colleges or universities.

Board Chair White indicated that the Board has decided not to have summer interns unless there is a good reason and she did not feel the right message would be sent if this was approved.

Chair Slinde called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION WAS DEFEATED.**

EXTENSION AND REVISION OF PRISONER HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN MACOMB COUNTY AND CORRECTIONAL MEDICAL SERVICES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BRANDENBURG, SUPPORTED BY FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE EXTENSION AND REVISION OF THE PRISONER HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN MACOMB COUNTY AND CORRECTIONAL MEDICAL SERVICES.

Commissioner Brandenburg thought a bill should be sent to the State since this was mandated.

Mr. Krycia explained that this is a new general requirement of all medical providers for supervision and he did not think it would be a Headlee claim.

Chair Slinde called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

APPOINTMENTS OF LAW FIRMS

MOTION

A motion was made by Szczepanski, supported by Brandenburg, to appoint the following law firms:

Hardy, Lewis & Page, P.C. to represent the County of Macomb in the case of Jones v County of Macomb and

Kitch, Drutchas, Wagner, Valitutti & Sherbrook, P.C. to defend the County defendants in the case of Hillside Productions, Inc. v Macomb County.

The Motion Carried.

ITEMS WAIVED BY OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIR (BULK OXYGEN SYSTEM-MARTHA T. BERRY AND HVAC SYSTEM-MARTHA T. BERRY NURSING ADMINISTRATION OFFICE AREA)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SZCZEPANSKI, SUPPORTED BY RENGERT, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

COMPLETE INSTALLATION OF THE BULK OXYGEN SYSTEM AT MARTHA T. BERRY UTILIZING THE LOWEST BIDDER, CHRISTMAN CONSTRUCTORS, INC., AT A COST OF \$131,000.00 AND

AUTHORIZE DELTA TEMP TO PERFORM WORK NEEDED TO THE MARTHA T. BERRY NURSING ADMINISTRATION OFFICE AREA, WHICH INCLUDES INSTALLATION OF APPROPRIATE HEATING, COOLING AND AIR HANDLING EQUIPMENT AT A COST OF \$146,981.00; PRICE OBTAINED WITH COORDINATION THROUGH FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SZCZEPANSKI, SUPPORTED BY BRANDENBURG TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS:

PROCLAIMING JULY 12, 2006 AS ANNUAL METRO DETROIT YOUTH DAY IN MACOMB COUNTY (OFFERED BY WHITE);

COMMENDING ROBERT SAROSY – EAGLE SCOUT (OFFERED BY SZCZEPANSKI);

PROCLAIMING MAY 14-20, 2006 AS POLICE WEEK IN CITY OF WARREN (OFFERED BY FLYNN; INCLUDE DOHERTY, DUZYJ, SAUGER, SLINDE AND SWITALSKI);

COMMENDING GRISSOM MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR BEING HONORED AS A MICHIGAN BLUE RIBBON EXEMPLARY SCHOOL (OFFERED BY McCARTHY);

COMMENDING EISENHOWER HIGH SCHOOL FOR BEING HONORED AS A MICHIGAN BLUE RIBBON EXEMPLARY SCHOOL (OFFERED BY LUND) AND

DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 25, 2006 AS “FAMILY DAY-A DAY TO EAT DINNER WITH YOUR CHILDREN” IN MACOMB COUNTY (OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR).

THE MOTION CARRIED.

CONFERENCE REPORT/RISK MANAGEMENT & SAFETY DEPARTMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Szczepanski, supported by Brandenburg, to receive and file the Conference Report submitted by the Risk Management & Safety Department. **The Motion Carried.**

TRAVEL REQUESTS

MOTION

A motion was made by Revoir, supported by Switalski, to approve the travel requests as submitted.

Commissioner Flynn said she thought the travel budget was going to be decreased. Chair Slinde said she spoke with Mr. Diegel who indicated that travel will be reviewed by the group working on the budget.

Commissioner Doherty referred to the request from the Information Technology Department to attend Michigan State University’s conference titled “Lean Six Sigma” and said she did not feel it was an appropriate training to send staff and asked for it to be separated.

Chair Slinde called for a vote on all travel, with the exception of the one separated, and **The Motion Carried with Brandenburg and Crouchman voting “No.”**

Information Technology Department

Chair Slinde called for a vote to approve the travel request and **The Motion was Defeated.**

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Brandenburg suggested that consideration be given to sending Sheriff Department staff to a Train the Trainer Program so dogs can be included in deputy cars.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Rengert, supported by Revoir, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter