

**MINUTES OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2006

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Wednesday, June 14, 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, Duzyj, Flynn, Gielegem, Haggerty, Kennard, Lund, McCarthy, Mijac, Rengert, Revoir, Rocca, Sauger, Switalski, Szczepanski, Vosburg and White.

Absent and excused was Hill.

Also Present:

David Diegel, Director, Finance Department
John Foster, Assistant Director, Finance Department
George Brumbaugh, Director, Corporation Counsel
Frank Krycia, Assistant Corporation Counsel
Doug Fouty, Program Director, Personnel Services, Human Resources Dept.
Michelle Sanborn, Jail Administrator
Polly Helzer, Manager, Purchasing Department
Rhonda Deriemaecker, Director of Board Services
Phil Frame, Director, Office of Public Affairs

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Slinde called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Rengert, supported by Brandenburg, to adopt the agenda, as amended, to include four additional travel requests. **The Motion Carried.**

LIST OF BILLS AS PREPARED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DUZYJ, SUPPORTED BY REVOIR, 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 \$15,307,961.44, WITH NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Commissioner Brandenburg voted no on the bills for contraceptives, Shamrock Cab and Eight Mile Boulevard Association.

SELECTION OF VENDOR FOR INMATE HEALTH CARE SERVICES MANAGEMENT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McCARTHY, SUPPORTED BY SZCZEPANSKI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CMS (CORRECTIONAL MEDICAL SERVICES) AS THE PREVAILING VENDOR FOR INMATE HEALTH CARE SERVICES MANAGEMENT. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

RENEWAL OF GENERAL LIABILITY, PROPERTY, FIDUCIARY AND EXCESS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE POLICIES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOHERTY, SUPPORTED BY RENGERT, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DIRECTOR, RISK MANAGEMENT & SAFETY DEPARTMENT, TO RENEW OUR GENERAL LIABILITY, PROPERTY, FIDUCIARY AND EXCESS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE POLICIES WITH OUR CURRENT CARRIERS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

SELECTION OF BEST RENEWAL STRATEGY FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFIT CONTRACTS

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 & SAFETY DEPARTMENT, TED CWIEK, DIRECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, DOUG FOUTY, PROGRAM DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL SERVICES, AND MERCER, OUR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CONSULTANT, IN THE SELECTION OF THE BEST RENEWAL STRATEGY FOR OUR EMPLOYEE BENEFIT CONTRACTS.

Chair Slinde stated that Mr. Anderson was not able to be at this meeting, but can be contacted with any questions.

Commissioner Doherty asked if cafeteria options were explored and Mr. Fouty replied no. Commissioner Doherty thought this issue should be discussed at a Personnel Committee meeting.

MOTION

A motion was made by Brandenburg, supported by Doherty, to refer this issue to next month's Personnel Committee meeting.

Commissioner Rengert asked about the timeline and Mr. Fouty said that he would like to be ready for open enrollment. He did mention that they have talked about a cafeteria plan, but the benefits are currently written in the collective bargaining agreements. He noted that he felt the vendors would consider other options.

Commissioner Vosburg noted that the Board could approve the recommendation today and put the discussion of a cafeteria plan on a future Personnel Committee meeting.

Commissioner Doherty said she would never advocate opening up contracts, but felt the Board needs to start discussing the development of cafeteria plans with these companies.

Commissioner Revoir stated that a cafeteria plan has been raised before and he felt it needs to be investigated to see if there will be any cost changes.

Commissioner Gielegem spoke about designating a benefit amount for each employee.

Chair Slinde called for a vote on the motion to refer and **The Motion was Defeated.**

Commissioner Revoir asked about the possibility of negotiating shorter times and Mr. Fouty said that could be looked at.

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

Chair Slinde noted that Mr. Anderson had indicated to her that Macomb County received a 3.46 percent reduction while other counties received 10 percent increases.

REPORT ON CURRENT PARKING FEES AND OPTIONS

Mr. Diegel provided an overview of his June 13, 2006 correspondence, which outlined the parking fees and options currently charged to employees for parking in downtown Mt. Clemens.

MOTION

A motion was made by Szczepanski, supported by Brandenburg, to refer to the Budget Committee for consideration: set parking fees to \$16 per month for employee reserved spaces, \$4 per day for public spaces and \$30.85 per month for underground reserved spaces.

Commissioner Doherty felt it should just be a referral motion.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Voting Yes were Brandenburg, Brdak, Brown, Crouchman, DeSaele, Duzyj, Flynn, Gielegem, Haggerty, Kennard, Lund, McCarthy, Mijac, Rengert, Revoir, Rocca, Sauger, Switalski, Szczepanski, Vosburg, White, DiMaria and Slinde. There were 23 "Yes" votes.

Voting No was Doherty. There was 1 "No" vote.

The Motion Carried.

ADOPT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEDICATION OF THE ROAD COMMISSION OF MACOMB COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING TO THOMAS S. WELSH (OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McCARTHY, SUPPORTED BY BRANDENBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEDICATION OF THE ROAD COMMISSION OF MACOMB COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING TO THOMAS S. WELSH. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

TRAVEL REQUESTS

MOTION

A motion was made by Brandenburg, supported by Vosburg, to approve the travel requests as submitted. **The Motion Carried.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION

MOTION

A motion was made by Brandenburg, supported by Revoir, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Voting Yes were Brandenburg, Brdak, Brown, Crouchman, DeSaele, Doherty, Duzyj, Flynn, Gielegem, Haggerty, Kennard, Lund, McCarthy, Mijac, Rengert, Revoir, Rocca, Sauger, Switalski, Szczepanski, Vosburg, DiMaria and Slinde. There were 23 "Yes" votes.

The Motion Carried.

In accordance with the motion, committee entered Executive Session at 10:02 a.m., with it concluding at 10:38 a.m.

**RECOMMENDATION FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL RE: CASE OF
BRADLEY V MACOMB COUNTY, ET AL**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CROUCHMAN, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL REGARDING THE CASE OF BRADLEY V MACOMB COUNTY, ET AL. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Revoir, supported by Rengert, to adjourn the meeting at 10:39 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter