

**MINUTES OF THE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2008**

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Wednesday, March 19, 2008, in the Board Room, on the 9<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Administration Building, Mt. Clemens, the following members were present:

Slinde-Chair, Brdak, Brown, Bruley, Camphous-Peterson, Crouchman, DeSaele, Doherty, Drolet, Duzyj, D. Flynn, J. Flynn, Gielegem, Haggerty, Lund, Mijac, Rengert, Roberts, Rocca, Sauger, Switalski, Tocco, Torrice and Vosburg.

Absent and excused were DiMaria and Szczepanski.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Slinde called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Camphous-Peterson, supported by Haggerty, to adopt the agenda, as amended (to include discussion of labor negotiations in Executive Session (#7), six additional resolutions and six additional travel requests). **The Motion Carried.**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Haggerty, supported by Switalski, to approve the December 12, 2007, January 14 (special) and January 23, 2008 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION AND LABOR NEGOTIATIONS**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Camphous-Peterson, supported by Vosburg, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation and labor negotiations.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Voting Yes were Brdak, Brown, Bruley, Camphous-Peterson, DeSaele, Doherty, Drolet, Duzyj, J. Flynn, Gielegthem, Haggerty, Lund, Mijac, Rengert, Roberts, Rocca, Sauger, Switalski, Torrice, Vosburg and Slinde. There were 21 "Yes" votes.

**The Motion Carried.**

In accordance with the motion, committee entered Executive Session at 9:08 a.m., with it concluding at 10:38 a.m.

**CONCUR IN RECOMMENDATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL RE: CASE OF SEALES VS. COUNTY OF MACOMB, ET AL**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VOSBURG, SUPPORTED BY TORRICE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL AND OUTSIDE COUNSEL REGARDING THE CASE OF SEALES VS. COUNTY OF MACOMB, ET AL. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**LIST OF BILLS AS PREPARED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DUZYJ, SUPPORTED BY RENGERT, 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 \$16,905,182.59, WITH NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS.

Commissioner Rocca requested separation of the two bills for Pamukov and Rabaut (page 16).

Chair Slinde called for a vote on all bills with the exception of those separated and **THE MOTION CARRIED (WITH TORRICE ABSTAINING FROM BILLS FOR TORRICE AND ZALEWSKI, PLLC/CIRCUIT COURT FEES-DEFENSE ATTORNEYS).**

**Pamukov and Rabaut**

Commissioner Rocca stated that these bills relate to the Grant trial and she will be voting no because of the method used for selecting the attorneys, not because of their performances.

Chair Slinde called for a vote on the two separated bills and **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DOHERTY AND ROCCA VOTING "NO" AND TOCCO ABSTAINING.**

## **FOURTH QUARTER 2007 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION REPORT**

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Rengert, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the Fourth Quarter 2007 Depository Resolution Report as submitted by the Treasurer's Department. **The Motion Carried.**

## **ADOPT 2008 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PUBLIC FUND DEPOSITORIES**

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HAGGERTY, SUPPORTED BY DOHERTY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE 2008 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PUBLIC FUND DEPOSITORIES. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

## **APPOINTMENTS OF LAW FIRMS**

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Haggerty, supported by Doherty, to appoint the following law firms:

John P. Jacobs, P.C. to continue representation of the Macomb County Apportionment Commission in the cases of Gregory Murray and Robert Brandenburg vs. the Macomb County Apportionment Commission now pending in the Michigan Court of Appeals and

PlunkettCooney, P.C. to represent County defendants in the case of Raymond Dimeo vs. Detective Kozlowski, et al.

**The Motion Carried.**

## **ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

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

HONORING KAY BEARD FOR HER YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICES  
(OFFERED BY BRDAK, J. FLYNN, GIELEGHEM AND SLINDE);

CONGRATULATING THE SHRINE CIRCUS – 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
(OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR);

TO SUPPORT NACo IN THEIR CAMPAIGN AGAINST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION (OFFERED BY J. FLYNN);

HONORING BRIAN ANNABLE – RETIREMENT FROM LAKE SHORE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (OFFERED BY ROBERTS);

CONGRATULATING MATTHEW KOVALCIK FOR BEING NAMED PRESIDENT OF THE MACOMB COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION (OFFERED BY ROBERTS);

COMMEMORATING THE 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF STERLING HEIGHTS (OFFERED BY DeSAELE, D. FLYNN, J. FLYNN, MIJAC AND ROCCA);

PROCLAIMING JULY 13-19, 2008 AS ROAD RAGE AWARENESS WEEK (OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR) AND

PROCLAIMING MARCH, 2008 AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH (OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR).

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Commissioner Rocca referred to the Sheriff's travel request for the 2008 Motorola Users Conference and asked who is paying for this one because the request indicates at no cost to the County. Mr. Foster said it is built into their contract that they are paid for maintenance and they allow so many members to attend the conference.

Commissioner Bruley noted that those who attend would need to disqualify themselves in any further bidding process.

**MOTION**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Camphous-Peterson, to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**