

**MINUTES OF THE  
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2009**

At a meeting of the **Planning and Economic Development Committee**, held Wednesday, August 19, 2009, in the Board Room, on the 9<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Bruley-Co-Chair, Carabelli-Co-Chair, Accavitti, Brown, Duzyj, D. Flynn, Mijac,  
Moceri, Vosburg and Gielegem (ex-officio).

**Other Commissioners Also Present:**

Commissioner Brdak  
Commissioner Crouchman  
Commissioner Lampar

There being a quorum of the committee present, Co-Chair Carabelli called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Accavitti, supported by Brown, to adopt the agenda, as amended (to include item #14C). **The Motion Carried.**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Moceri, to approve the July 15, 2009 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

- A) Commending Andrea Biondo on Being Named the Lodge Figli Della Sicilia's "2009 Man of the Year" (offered by Carabelli)

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY DUZYJ, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION COMMENDING ANDREA BIONDO ON BEING NAMED THE LODGE FIGLI DELLA SICILIA'S "2009 MAN OF THE YEAR" (**OFFERED BY CARABELLI**). **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

- B) Commending Marilyn Rudzinski on Her Retirement from Michigan State University Extension (**offered by D. Flynn**)

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DUZYJ, SUPPORTED BY MOCERI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MARILYN RUDZINSKI ON HER RETIREMENT FROM MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION (**OFFERED BY D. FLYNN**). **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- A) Report on Neighborhood Stabilization Program

Mr. Mike Rozny gave a verbal presentation.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Duzyj, to receive and file the report on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

The following commissioner spoke: Duzyj.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

- B) Approve NSP Budget Regarding Programming (Mount Clemens)

Mr. Rozny gave a verbal presentation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MIJAC, SUPPORTED BY D. FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE AN INCREASE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM (NSP) BUDGET FOR DEMOLITION IN THE CITY OF MOUNT CLEMENS FROM \$360,000 TO \$750,000.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

### **BUSINESS RETENTION & EXPANSION**

- Report on Tool & Die Recovery Zones

A two-page handout entitled, Tool & Die Industry: The Heart of Manufacturing was distributed.

Mr. Jim Ahee gave a verbal presentation.

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the presentation on Tool & Die Recovery Zones.

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj, D. Flynn and Bruley.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

### **BUSINESS ATTRACTION**

- A) Authorization to Attend DREP Trade Mission to China

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by D. Flynn, supported by Vosburg, to approve the departmental request for travel to China with the Detroit Regional Economic Partnership; **and refer to the Finance Committee.**

Mr. Stephen Cassin gave a verbal presentation.

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj and Bruley.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

- B) Authorization to Attend Automation Alley Trade Mission to Israel

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Vosburg, to approve the departmental request for travel to Israel with Automation Alley; **and refer to the Finance Committee. The Motion Carried.**

## **COMMUNITY PLANNING**

### A) Presentation on Shelby Township Master Plan

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed. Additionally, a Character Plan was displayed on a tripod.

Mr. Cassin addressed the committee.

Mr. Glenn Wynn, Planning Director from Shelby Township gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled, Master Plan Summary - Shelby Township, MI.

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the presentation on the Shelby Township Master Plan.

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj, Vosburg and Mocerri.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

### B) Update on Countywide Trail Master Plan

A handout entitled, Trail Sections, Trail Contacts, and Status of Funding, along with a map was distributed.

Mr. John Crumm gave a verbal presentation.

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Brown, to receive and file the report on the Countywide Trail Master Plan. **The Motion Carried.**

### C) Recognition of Planning for Elderly Award

Mr. Cassin addressed the committee.

Mr. JohnPaul Rea gave a verbal presentation.

Mr. Cassin recognized Ms. Camille Silda and Mr. Crumm.

## **MOTION**

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by D. Flynn, to receive and file the report on the Planning for Elderly Award. **The Motion Carried.**

## **ENVIRONMENTAL**

- A) Authorization to Apply for Brownfield Hazardous Substances Assessment Grant of \$200,000

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY ACCAVITTI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE SUBMITTAL OF A \$200,000 E.P.A. ASSESSMENT GRANT APPLICATION.

The following commissioner spoke: Duzyj.

Mr. Gerard Santoro gave a verbal presentation.

The following commissioner spoke: Duzyj.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

- B) Authorization to Apply for Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund Grant of \$1,000,000

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DUZYJ, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE SUBMITTAL OF A \$1,000,000 BROWNFIELD REVOLVING LOAN FUND GRANT. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

After the vote, Mr. Cassin addressed the committee.

## **MARKETING & PROMOTION**

- No Report

Co-Chair Carabelli moved on to the next agenda item.

## **TOURISM**

- Report on Lake St. Clair Initiative

Mr. Justin Robinson gave a verbal presentation.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the report on the Lake St. Clair initiative.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

A) Approval of Wayne State Economic Development Partnership Agreement

A two-page handout was distributed.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY D. FLYNN, SUPPORTED BY MOCERI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WAYNE STATE TO OPEN A BUSINESS ASSISTANCE CENTER IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

Mr. Cassin gave a verbal presentation. He then introduced Dean David Williams from Wayne State University, School of Business Administration.

Dean Williams addressed the committee.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

Mr. Don Morandini addressed the committee.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Bruley and D. Flynn.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

B) Approval of 2009-2011 Departmental Budget Reductions

Mr. Cassin overviewed his department's proposed budget reductions.

## **MOTION**

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mocerri, to approve the proposed 2009-2011 budget reductions for the Department of Planning & Economic Development; **and forward to the Budget Committee.**

The following commissioners spoke: Crouchman, Bruley and Duzyj.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

- C) Approval of Wireless Access Point for WSU Business Assistance Center (Item waived by Technology and Communications Committee Chair)

## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A WIRELESS ACCESS POINT FOR THE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE CENTER BEING OPENED IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AS PART OF THE WAYNE STATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000; FUNDING AVAILABLE IN IT CAPITAL. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

## **REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS**

- Introduction of Mr. Greg Main, President, Michigan Economic Development Corporation

Mr. Cassin introduced Mr. Greg Main, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

Mr. Greg Main addressed the committee.

## **MOTION**

A motion was made by Brown, supported by D. Flynn, to receive and file and welcome Mr. Greg Main, President of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to Macomb County. **The Motion Carried.**

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EVENTS**

- August 26 Tax Seminar: How to Report Small Business Income & Expenses
- August 27 Entrepreneurial Series: Finance
- September 9 Entrepreneurial Series: Starting a Business

- September 18 Fiscal Fitness for the Growing Business
- September 23 Entrepreneurial Series: Legal Issues
- September 14-November 23 FastTrac to the Future

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the report on upcoming events.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Vosburg inquired if there has been consideration made about implementing the second phase of the S.P.A.R.C. Program. Mr. Cassin said that he will report back at next month's meeting.

Commissioner Vosburg spoke about a recent article in Crain's with regard to local military work and the need to stay on top of it, so we do not lose contracts.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The following individual addressed the Board:

Wilina Lichtnow (German student intern)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Accavitti, supported by Mocerri, to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m.  
**The Motion Carried.**

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**Denise M. Jacks  
Committee Reporter**