

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE PLANNING SESSION

May 1, 2008

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan met in the Board Room of the County Services Building in the Township of Allegan on May 1, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., as set; Chairman McNeal presiding.

The invocation was offered by District #4 Commissioner DeYoung.

The Clerk led the board in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The following Commissioners were present:

DIST # 1	TERRY BURNS	DIST # 7	DON BLACK
DIST # 2	STEVE McNEAL	DIST # 8	TOM JESSUP
DIST # 3	PAUL VanECK	DIST # 9	FRITZ SPREITZER
DIST # 4	MARK DeYOUNG	DIST #10	JON CAMPBELL
DIST # 5	DEAN KAPENGA	DIST #11	LARRY JONES
DIST # 6	MAX THIELE		

Public Participation – No Comments

2/ Chairman McNeal opened the meeting to public participation. As there were no comments from the public, he declared the meeting closed to public participation.

Minutes of the April 17, 2008 Session – Adopt as Distributed

3/ Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Black to adopt the minutes of the April 17, 2008 session as distributed. Motion carried.

Agenda – Adopted as Presented

4/ Chairman McNeal called for any additions or amendments to the meeting agenda; there were none.

Moved by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion Items:

Planning and Goal Development/Budget Process

5/ Rob stated he is working with Department Heads on development of descriptions of core services in each department; defining departmental goals as well as prioritizing projects during the budget process for 2009. By identifying the costs of the core services, we will be able to have a better understanding of the direct costs for essential services performed in each department. When this is fully fleshed out, it will allow for better decision making.

Break – 10:12 A.M.

6/ At 10:12 p.m., Chairman McNeal declared a ten minute recess.

Upon reconvening at 10:25 a.m., the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Burns, McNeal, VanEck, DeYoung, Kapenga, Thiele, Black, Jessup, Spreitzer, Campbell and Jones. Absent – none.

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Discussion, Continued

7/ Rob addressed the Production Possibility Frontier and how to use this concept to help in prioritizing issues during the budget process. In order to deal with requests for funding and personnel and apply resources realistically, the issues listed on the chart on the next page need to be evaluated. There was consensus to begin evaluating projects and setting priorities at the next meeting. Rob stated he would develop definitions for the items to be prioritized so that people will be more comfortable in ranking the priorities in a knowledgeable fashion.

Adjourn until May 15, 2008 at 9:30 A.M.

12/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to adjourn until May 15, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.



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BOARD PLANNING SESSION-AGENDA

Thursday, May 1, 2008 - 9:30 a.m.

Board Room - County Services Building

9:30 a.m. OPENING PRAYER: Commissioner DeYoung

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 17, 2008

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Planning and goal development - consensus on administrative timeline of prioritized projects.
2. Budget process (time permitting)

OTHER ITEMS:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

ADJOURNMENT: Thursday, May 15, 2008 @ 9:30 A.M. @ BOARD ROOM - COUNTY SERVICES BUILDING, COUNTY SERVICES COMPLEX @ DUMONT.

Mission Statement

"The Alligan County Board of Commissioners shall plan, develop, and evaluate the necessary policies and resources to ensure our county continues to progress and prosper"

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Project/Issue	Tom	Paul	Fritz	Steve	Jon	Max	Don	Mark	Casey	Dean	Terry	AVG	Mode	Consensus
3 Jail	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	13
1 facilities master plan	1	1	1	3	1	3	2	1	3	1	2	2	1	19
6 management manual regarding policies and procedures. (Personnel, purchasing, grants, contracts, etc.)	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	1	2	1	19
24 Law Enforcement overtime due to Court processes (Alleghen compared to other Counties)	2	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	1	21
19 Lobby state for full funding of human services	3	1	1	1	2	2	6	2	2	1	1	2	1	22
5 Actively participate in forming the long-term funding solution for 911 operations	1	1	6	1	2	6	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	23
25 (non) Smoking on County Property	2	1	1	1	5	6	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	25
16 Public transit through the county, enhancing transit through the county	1	2	1	3	2	2	6	3	3	2	1	2	2	26
26 Senior/Special Needs Transportation	2	1	1	3	3	3	5	2	2	6	1	3	2	29
Coordinated economic development-working together with all the municipalities in the county.														
21 a. Initiate an economic development conversation...community-wide.	4	2	4	4	1	6	1	3	2	2	1	3	4	30
4 Develop a county-wide strategic planning process.	6	2	6	4	3	6	2	1	4	2	1	3	6	37
9 Farmland/greenspace preservation...urban growth boundaries, funding farmland preservation, Assisted living facilities to offset the cost of medical care to address our aging demographic	6	1	3	2	4	6	6	3	1	3	2	3	6	37
7 Focus on assisted living rather than end of life.	2	3	1	3	5	6	5	4	2	6	3	4	3	40
12 Advanced education - post-secondary opportunities	4	3	2	4	4	5	5	6	2	4	2	4	4	41
13 Each governmental entity to decide what level of protection from sheriff's department	6	3	6	1	3	6	3	2	2	6	3	4	6	41
Research the coordination of planning, zoning, and other services within the county between														
15 units.	4	5	6	3	5	6	2	4	3	3	1	4	3	42
11 Regional correctional facility for sentenced inmates.	6	6	6	2	2	6	1	4	2	1	6	4	6	42
10 Strategic acquisition of park property for the future other property acquisition.	4	6	2	1	5	5	3	5	3	3	6	4	5	43
8 Water authority - direction and action on long term plan for water within the system to help economic growth of the county.	6	5	3	1	5	1	5	6	4	3	5	4	5	44
17 One or more senior centers	6	3	2	6	3	1	5	6	4	4	5	4	6	45
18 Recentralizing county government...county seat.	6	3	1	6	5	1	6	6	3	6	4	4	6	47
21 Alternative fuels	6	4	6	2	5	6	6	4	2	6	5	5	6	52
removed from list:														
23 Wind energy	2	2	3	2	5	6	2	1	2	2	5	3	3	32
22 M40 corridor--can't get to Alleghen from "here".	6	5	6	4	4	6	6	4	4	6	5	5	5	56
Building County-wide plan based on local governmental strengths (Desirable place to live)	6	4	6	2	5	6	6	5	4	6	2	5	5	52
14 Centralized human services ...														
20 A Access - you can't get there.	6	4	6	2	3	6	6	2	4	6	5	5	5	50