

ALLEGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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February 18, 2010 Planning Session

**FEBRUARY 18, 2010 SESSION - INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE,
ROLL CALL**

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, met in the Zimmerman Room of the Services Building in the Township of Allegan on February 18, 2010, at 9:30 A.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of February 4, 2010, and rules of this Board; Chairman Jones presiding.

The invocation was offered by District 8 Commissioner Jessup.

The County Clerk led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Upon roll call the following members answered as Commissioners for the respective Districts:

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 Jones opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments, he closed the meeting to public participation.

DISCUSSION:

3/ There was a spirited discussion of what motion was voted on regarding the RQAW bid on February 4, 2010. Can an unstated motion be voted by the Board? If the Chairman misstates the party moving, does it negate the vote on the only valid motion on the floor? At one point there was a motion to adjourn, but Commissioner McNeal said he just might withdraw his second to

that motion. Chairman Jones stated that this will be addressed at a later time.

FEBRUARY 4, 2010 SESSION MINUTES - ADOPTED AS DISTRIBUTED

4/ Moved by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to adopt the minutes of the February 4, 2010 session as distributed. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yes - 10 votes. No - 1 vote. Absent - 0 votes.

Y	TERRY BURNS	Y	DON BLACK
N	STEVE McNEAL	Y	TOM JESSUP
Y	PAUL VanECK	Y	FRITZ SPREITZER
Y	MARK DeYOUNG	Y	JON CAMPBELL
Y	DEAN KAPENGA	Y	LARRY JONES
Y	MAX THIELE		

AGENDA - ADOPTED AS DISTRIBUTED

5/ Chairman Jones asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda.

Moved by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to adopt the meeting agenda as distributed. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION - BUDGET POLICY

6/ Rob Sarro went over the Budget policy, process and timeline. He explained how the policy works as it relates to the basic funds described below and how we allocate fund balances at the end of the year.

Fund Title	Fund #	Types of Uses	Minimum Threshold
General Operating Fund Balance	1010	General County Operations	10% of G. F. expense budget including Fund Balance
Budget Stabilization	2570	Monies may be used to cover a general fund deficit, to prevent a reduction in services, to cover expenses of a natural disaster and more	Maximum allowed by statute
PTO	2580	To fund the year end liability of accrued PTO	Fully fund the PTO accrued liability

Delinquent Tax Revolving	6160	Monies are used for the settlement of delinquent taxes with the local taxing units. The county purchases the delinquents taxes from the local units. Currently this is about 8.3 million each year	150% of current year settlement
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He outlined the budget process/timelines currently being followed and how he and David Van de Roovaart would like the Board to be more involved in the process this year. They envision allocating one full week with the Board and the Department Heads going over the goals set by each department as well as reviewing the core services of the departments as they relate to budget. This will allow the Board to prioritize the services being provided in a meaningful way.

BREAK - 11:00 A.M.

7/ Upon reconvening at 11:20 A.M., the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Burns, McNeal, VanEck, DeYoung, Kapenga, Thiele, Black, Jessup, Spreitzer, Campbell and Jones.
Absent - None.

DISCUSSION - CONTINUED

8/ Finance director David Van de Roovaart addressed the questions of Commission members and explained how to locate the current goals set by departments on the county website so they can familiarize themselves with the process.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

9/ Chairman Jones opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments from the public, he declared the meeting closed to public participation.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MARCH 4, 2010 AT 9:30 A.M.

10/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Campbell to adjourn until March 4, 2010 at 9:30 A.M. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M.


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