

ALLEGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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October 7, 2010 Planning Session

OCTOBER 7, 2010 SESSION - INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, met in the Commissioners' Room of the County Services Building in the Township of Allegan on October 7, 2010, at 9:30 A.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of September 16, 2010, and rules of this Board; Chairman Jones presiding.

The invocation was offered by District 11 Commissioner Jones.

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:

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| 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.

SEPTEMBER 16 2010, SESSION MINUTES - ADOPTED AS DISTRIBUTED

3/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner VanEck to adopt the minutes of the September 16, 2010 session as distributed. Motion carried.

AGENDA - ADOPTED AS AMENDED

4/ Chairman Jones asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda. Commissioner Campbell asked to have the topic of the County Jail Reimbursement Program added as discussion item #3.

Moved by Commissioner VanEck, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung to adopt the change and approve the meeting agenda as amended. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:**2011 BUDGET - DISCUSSION**

5/ Administrator Rob Sarro addressed how Administration has followed the budget process prescribed by the Uniform Budgeting Act. He outlined the collaborative process used to work with departments on making the \$2.5 million in cuts to get a balanced budget for 2011. The end result was that departments had to prioritize the services provided and make reductions based on the priorities. There will be a reduction of services.

He addressed a plan to enable keeping a position in the Sheriff's Department to allow us to continue our participation in WEMET; a definite benefit to the county. He addressed how delaying some capitol expenditures would enable us to do this.

BREAK - 9:52 A.M.

6/ Upon reconvening at 10:12 A.M., the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Burns, McNeal, VanEck, DeYoung, Kapenga, Thiele, Black, Jessup, Spreitzer, Campbell and Jones. Absent - None.

BUDGET DISCUSSION - CONTINUED

7/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Black to move the proposed budget to the October 14, 2010 meeting for consideration.

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to amend the motion to eliminate the purchase of 3 vehicles and utilize the funds which had been allocated in the proposed budget, combined with approximately \$108,772 from the Budget Stabilization Fund to retain 2 officers in the Sheriff's Department and the clerical position in the Prosecutor's Office so long as those funds would cover those positions.

Motion carried by roll call vote: Yeas - 6 votes. No - 5 votes. Absent - 0 votes

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

The original motion to set the proposed 2011 budget as amended on the October 14, 2010 agenda carried by roll call vote: Yes - 8 votes. No - 3 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

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| Y | TERRY BURNS | N | 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 |
| N | MAX THIELE | | |

GENERAL UPDATES

8/ Commissioner Campbell reminded everyone that the Board has not come up with a means of cutting \$10,000 from the 2011 expenditures in the Board's budget. Various options were considered; reducing per-diem rates, eliminating mileage allowance for board meetings or eliminating one meeting each month or total elimination of per-diem for board meetings. Rob stated that eliminating one meeting each month would create a savings of approximately \$10,000.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

9/ Finance Director, David Van de Roovaart explained the special revenue funds that are not a part of the General Fund.

He reported that there are a total of 38 special revenue funds. Most of these funds are not affected by declining property tax revenues. Many of the funds are very small, e.g., the Farmland Preservation Fund which totals \$500, and some of the funds are very large, e.g., the Child Care Fund which total \$5 million. One fund which was added was the Soldier's and Sailor's Relief Fund \$90,000.00. The Health Department Fund figures are expected today and he will get them to Board members.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

10/ Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to consider the Special Revenue Funds along with the General Fund Budget. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yes - 11 votes. No - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

11/ Commissioner Campbell addressed the county jail reimbursement program which permits selecting which formula the county would like to use for reimbursement. He would like to have the Sheriff provide a cost benefit analysis of the types of prisoners we deal with to determine which program would be more beneficial. Fred Anderson explained the "straddle cell" provision and recommended contacting Julie Clark with the Department of Corrections.

Moved by Commissioner Thiele, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to formally request the Sheriff's Department to compile the relevant information and get it to Administration for distribution by 5 p.m. Friday, October 8, 2010. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

12/ 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.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION - TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

13/ Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Thiele to recess to closed session to discuss collective bargaining. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yes - 11 votes. No - 0 votes. Absent - 0 votes. The meeting was recessed at 12:35 p.m.

C L O S E D S E S S I O N**RECONVENE/ROLL CALL**

14/ Upon reconvening at 1:21 P.M., the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Burns, McNeal, VanEck, DeYoung, Kapenga, Thiele, Black, Jessup, Spreitzer, Campbell and Jones. Absent - None.

MOTION TO ADJOURN - FAILED

15/ Moved by Commissioner Kapenga, seconded by Commissioner VanEck to adjourn until October 21, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. Motion lost on roll call vote: Yes - 3 votes. No - 8 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

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

RECONSIDER PREVIOUS MOTION TO AMEND THE 2011 BUDGET

16/ Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Jessup to reconsider previous motion to amend the 2011 budget. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yes - 8 votes. No - 3 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

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

AMEND THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2011

17/ Moved by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Jessup to set the recommended budget to the October 14, 2010 meeting with the addition of the two positions from the Sheriff's Department to be included, funding the positions from the \$108,772 balance of authorized budget stabilization fund and the non-purchase of two of the three vehicles budgeted for the Sheriff's Department. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yes - 7 votes. No - 4 votes. Absent - 0 votes.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL OCTOBER 21, 2010 AT 9:30 A.M.

18/ Moved by Commissioner McNeal, seconded by Commissioner VanEck to adjourn until October 21, 2010 at 9:30 A.M. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 P.M.



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