

ALLEGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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June 3, 2010 Planning Session

JUNE 3, 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 June 3, 2010, at 9:30 A.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of May 20, 2010, and rules of this Board; Chairman Jones presiding.

The invocation was offered by District #4 Commissioner DeYoung.

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 - EXCUSED -	DIST #8 TOM JESSUP
DIST #3 PAUL VanECK	DIST #9 FRITZ SPREITZER
DIST #4 MARK DeYOUNG	DIST #10 - EXCUSED -
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.

PRIOR 2010 SESSION MINUTES - ADOPTED AS DISTRIBUTED

3/ Moved by Commissioner Burns, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to adopt the minutes of the February 18, 2010, April 15, 2010, May 6, 2010 and May 20, 2010 sessions as distributed. Motion carried.

AGENDA - ADOPTED AS DISTRIBUTED

4/ Chairman Jones asked if there were any additions or changes to the meeting agenda. No changes or additions were offered.

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

ANIMAL SHELTER PROJECT CLOSE OUT

5/ Administrator Rob Sarro stated that when the Animal Shelter Project Taskforce was put in place, they were charged with certain responsibilities. Every project should have a definitive beginning and end. The project is essentially complete and even though we are still working with the installer and builder of the ventilation system, the project is essentially complete and should be closed out. There were questions on how this close out would impact the resolution of the ventilation issues.

Moved by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to adopt the resolution immediately. Motion carried by roll call vote: Yes - 7 votes. No - 2 votes. Absent - 2 votes.

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

The following resolution is adopted:

ADMINISTRATION--ANIMAL SHELTER PROJECT CLOSE OUT

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2007, the Allegan County Board of Commissioners authorized funds be appropriated from the Capital Improvement Fund balance to the Animal Shelter Improvement Project to cover the cost of repairs as identified in the plan approved by the Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2007, the County Administrator recommended and the Allegan County Board of Commissioners established the Animal Shelter Task Force to address the funding, operation, building, and staffing needs of the Allegan County Animal Shelter and to present their recommendations to the Board at a later date; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2009, the Animal Shelter Task Force presented their findings to the Board of Commissioners that outlined the funding options, operation, building and staffing needs for three options; repair current facility, repair and add a garage to the existing facility, building a new facility along with their recommendation to building a new facility; and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2009 the Allegan County Board of Commissioners awarded the bid for an amount not to exceed \$625,500.00, to DVK Construction to design and build a new Allegan County Animal Shelter; and

WHEREAS, construction of the new animal shelter has been completed and was occupied before the end of 2009, with a new part-time shelter coordinator to manage the operations, volunteer staffing is in place, all construction costs paid, and all inspections passed,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board recognize the expertise and efforts of the Task Force members, and express their appreciation in completing the project; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Allegan County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the recommendation of the County Administrator to formally close out the Animal Shelter Project, upon adoption of this resolution.

2011 BUDGET - REVENUE IDEAS

6/ Vickie Herzberg, Human Resources Director facilitated the brainstorming session wherein Commissioners used brainstorming techniques to list ideas to address revenues for 2011. Rob Sarro performed the secretarial duties of listing the ideas offered:

**SUGGESTION FORM- 2011 Budget
4/30/10**

Attach this completed form to an e-mail and send to David Van de Roovaart; Re:2011 Budget Ideas DeptName

Instructions:

Save a copy of this form on your U: drive as "2011 Budget Ideas DeptName" (ex 2011 Budget Ideas HealthDept)

Place the name of your department at the top of the form

Box A: Explain your suggestion as clearly as possible.

Box B: Describe the procedure or situation that you would like to improve. Please be as detailed as possible.

Box C: Insert the service and/or activity affected.

Box D: Insert the area affected; Countywide, Dept name, or specific unit. i.e. Health Dept-immunization services

Box E: What other department(s) or service(s) areas may be affected

Box F: Estimate the annual cost savings

Box G: Estimate the annual revenue potential

Submitting Department		
Box A (S)=Suggestion	Box B Description	Box C Service/ Activity Affected
Electronically send resumes instead of copying each one for Department Review	I interviewed for a technician and received 140 copies of resumes. The department would like to see them all. Currently we copy all resumes instead of sending electronically.	HR
Eliminate one planning session per month for Board of Commissioners or place a time limit on Board meetings		
Meet in the morning at 8:30 rather than 9:30		
Implement a multi year budget		
Camping and other park projects that could make money if we would perform certain enhancements		
Reduce the per diem rate and/or extend the half day per diem (i.e. 4 to 5 hours)		
Park entrance fees for all parks		
Planning enabling act - possibly implement ideas from MSU		
TEAM funding through LCC		
Sobriety court funding through LCC		
Explore other uses of LCC funds for substance abuse, treatment, education, etc.		
Bedroom tax for hotels, lodging,		
Increase collections through credit cards, web, electronic checks, etc.		
Dog census (increase licensing)		
Elimination of Road Patrol in whole or in part to fund corrections		
Research the consolidation of services (senior services, economic development, etc.)		
Research non-value laws (laws/ordinances there for the sake of being there)		
Development/enhancement of parks		
Combine Parks Commission with Tourist council		
Explore other services LIS could be providing and or enhance services. Research the capacity of what LIS could provide.		

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(S)=Suggestion	Description	Service/ Activity Affected
Utilize revenue from parks to develop parks		
Reduce and/or eliminate non-mandated expenditures from General Fund		
Manage grant funded programs tighter and pursue external funding to sustain grant funded programs after grant runs out.		
Pursue grants further, possibly have a grant writer or explore other agencies that can assist with that		
Should we provide LIS?		
Research the availability of scholarships for law enforcement careers		
More contracting with local units for law enforcement		
Efficiency awards, programs, to recognize departmental accomplishments		
Purchasing process for vehicles		
Review staffing levels as it relates to services levels		
Personal Financial curriculum available to employees, educate people on the reality of the economy		
Eliminate continued education benefit for elected officials		
Decrease the cost to local units for contracting for law enforcement to encourage more contracts.		
Eliminate all longevity pay Separate items that fall under the "have to spend more to save more" category Research the viability parks based on generations, Cutting back operations or closing parks that do not offer much benefit or use Research use of recovery zone dollars for jail Look at County all county fees Expand transportation into Kent/Kalamazoo County Change paradigms in terms of services provided, processes, operations, etc. (futures) This applies to expectations of public employee wages/benefits Drive thru services downtown (treasurer, etc.) Centralization of County services Evaluate services of Health Department inspections, permits, etc. can these be combined More on-line access to vital records, etc. Schedule County representative to visit each township to educate on County services		

BREAK - 11:30 A.M.

7/ At 11:30 A.M., Chairman Jones declared a recess to celebrate various events.

RECONVENE/ROLL CALL

8/ Upon reconvening at 12:00 P.M., the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Burns, VanEck, DeYoung, Kapenga, Thiele, Black, Jessup, Spreitzer, and Jones. Absent - Commissioners McNeal and Campbell.

SHERIFF OFFICE AND CORRECTIONS CENTER PROJECT

9/ Rob Sarro distributed a draft of the questions and answers relating to the construction of the Sheriff Office and Corrections Center project. He will refine this document and distribute it to Commissioners so that information given by Commissioners is consistent and accurate.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - COMMENTS

10/ Chairman Jones opened the meeting to public participation and the following individual offered comment:

1. Chris Wicker suggested that instead of purchasing a new truck for the Drain Commissioner, a used Toyota truck he saw on E-Bay might be a more efficient purchase.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL JUNE 17, 2010 AT 9:30 A.M.

11/ Moved by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Jessup to adjourn until June 17, 2010 at 9:30 A.M. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.



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