

ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2007

PUBLIC HEARING: St. Clair County Proposed Budget for 2008.

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairperson Wall. The following citizen addressed the Board:

Ken Harris; 1521 Wells, Port Huron
Re: Budget Changes and alternative budgets.

No Further citizens wished to address the Board. The Public Hearing was closed at five minutes after six in the evening.

At a Regular Session of the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners, held at the County Building, Port Huron, Michigan, on Wednesday, November 28, 2007, at five minutes after six o'clock in the evening.

The Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Pamela Wall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

On Roll Call the following Commissioners answered to their names: Commissioners Jeff Bohm, Howard Heidemann, Dennis Kearns, Patrick Quain, Steven Simasko and Pamela Wall – 6 present. Commissioner Wally Evans was absent.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, Supported by Commissioner Quain, to approve the agenda. Passed by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Kearns, that the minutes of the October 17, 2007 Regular Board Meeting, the October 27, 2007 Budget Workshop and the November 7, 2007 Standing Committee meetings be received and filed. Carried by a voice vote.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation Recognizing the Health Department Accreditation

Jean Chabut, Deputy Director of Public Health Michigan Department of Community Health, presented a Certificate of Accreditation to the St. Clair County Public Health Department. She stated that their rating was A+. Jon Parsons, Director of Public Health Department, was present to accept the Certificate and thanked Elaine Kempf for her contribution to this achievement.

Proclamation – Charlie Milam Outstanding Service Award

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to accept and file proclamation recognizing Ed MacPherson as the recipient of the Charles Milam Outstanding Service Award/St. Clair County Emergency Response Team Member of the Year. Passed by a voice vote. Commissioner Bohm read Proclamation. Ed MacPherson was present to accept the award.

Proclamation – Citizen’s Corps Volunteer of the Year/Sgt. Dave Fournier Award

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to accept and file proclamation recognizing Gary Belyea as the recipient of the 2007 Sgt. Dave Fournier Citizens Corps Individual of the Year Award. Passed by a voice vote. Commissioner Bohm read Proclamation. Gary Belyea was present to accept the award.

Proclamation – Hazardous Operations Team Member of the Year

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to accept and file proclamation recognizing Bennie Goodin as the recipient of the St. Clair County Hazardous Operations Team Outstanding Member of the Year for 2007. Passed by a voice vote. Commissioner Bohm read Proclamation. Bennie Goodin was present to accept the award.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Commissioner Kearns, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to approve items A through K of the Consent Agenda. Discussion followed. Carried by a voice vote.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

- Commissioner Bohm – Emil from Matt Williams - Oral
- LEPC Meeting –Oral
- Commissioner Quain – Landfill newspaper article -Oral
- Commissioner Simasko – Brockway Twp. Letter – Oral
- City of Yale – Dispatch Charges – Oral

Commissioner Kearns – Davidson Landfill – Oral
EOC Board of Directors Meeting – Oral
Letter from Dr. Eric Sanders
Nutcracker, December 7, 8 and 9.
Commissioner Heidemann – Landfill gas operations – Oral
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Oral
City of PH would like joint meeting
Commissioner Wall – Congratulated Marine City Mariners on their State Championship

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Denise Hagan, 8950 Big Hand Road, Columbus Twp.
Re: Employee Health Care

Mike McMillon, 373 Jackson Street, Croswell MI
Re: Consumer Driven Health Care

Ann Taylor, 1348 New Hampshire Avenue, Marysville MI
Re: Consumer Driven Health Care

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Emergency Electrical Power – Sheriff’s Office Intervention Center

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, supported by Commissioner Bohm, to approve the proposal from William Vogan Architects in conjunction with KF Engineering for the design, bid specification and construction oversight for the emergency power system alteration at the Sheriff’s Office Intervention Center in the amount of \$17,480. Bill Vogan and Ken Forgiel gave a brief explanation of the project. Discussion followed. Passed by a roll call vote: Ayes – 5; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Simasko and Wall. Nays -1; Commissioner Quain. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

Approval of County Disbursements

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Quain, to approve the County of St. Clair disbursements for the month of October 2007. Discussion followed. Passed by a roll call vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Evans. Absent -1; Commissioner Evans..

Vehicle Acquisition and Assignment Utilization Policy

Moved by Commissioner Kearns, supported by Commissioner Quain, to approve the Vehicle Acquisition and Assignment Policy. Passed by a Voice Vote.

Portable Space Heaters Policy

Moved by Commissioner Quain, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to approve the Portable Space Heater Policy Passed by a Voice Vote.

Proposed Revision to Delinquent Accounts Receivable Policy

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to approve to approve the proposed revisions to the Delinquent Accounts Receivable Policy. Passed by a Voice Vote.

Commission on Aging Appointment

Moved by Commissioner Quain, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to appoint Tim Donnellon to the Commission on Aging representing District 1, for a 3-year term expiring 12/31/2010. Passed by a Voice Vote.

Library Request for Early Closure

Moved by Commissioner Quain, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to approve the Library Board Request for Early Closure on 02/09/08, 07/09/08 and 12/05/08. Passed by a Voice Vote.

RESOLUTION 07-40

Appropriation of Senior Citizens For Calendar Year 2008

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to adopt Resolution 07-40 the Appropriation of Senior Citizens for the Calendar Year 2008. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

Agreement with Port Huron Hospital for Medical Treatment of Prisoners

Moved by Commissioner Kearns, supported by Commissioner Quain, to approve the Agreement with Port Huron Hospital for the medical treatment for prisoners at Port Huron Hospital's current established rates at the time of service minus a 38% discount.

Administrator Groden requested an amendment striking "agreed to exclusively use" under Recitals.

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, supported by Commissioner Quain, to amend motion adding striking the "agreed to exclusively use" under Recitals on the

condition that the Port Huron Hospital would accept the amendment. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent 1; Commissioner Evans.

Vote on original motion with the amendment. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent 1; Commissioner Evans.

Animal Adoption Fee Increase Proposal

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann to increase the fee for adoption of animals from \$75 to \$120 to generate additional revenue to support a part-time veterinarian. There was no second, so motion died due to a lack of support.

MDOT Blue Water Bridge Plaza DEIS Public Comment Submittal

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to receive draft comments for the MDOT Blue Water Bridge Plaza DEIS and move the item to the December 5, 2007 Ways and Means Committee for final approval.

Administrator Groden spoke on this item explaining the four memorandums that are currently completed which include:

1. Mitigation Questions and Concerns – MDOT will need to respond to each of the 23 items.
2. DEIS Comment and Inquiry
3. Port Huron City Letter to Bob Parsons regarding the MDOT Plaza.
4. Port Huron City Resolution rejecting MDOT Plan
5. Not prepared at this time

A final Resolution of Rejection is being prepared and will be ready by the December 5, 2007, Ways and Means Committee Meeting for final approval.

Motion passed by a Voice Vote.

Farm Museum Barn Electrical Upgrade Contract Award

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to award the contract for electrical upgrades at the Farm Museum complex at Goodells County Park to B & E Electric in an amount of \$17,111. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent 1; Commissioner Evans.

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Reappointments

Moved by Commissioner Quain, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to reappoint John T. Monte, representing District 6, and Chris Wilson, Representing District 7, to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority each a for 3-year terms expiring 10/31/2010. passed by a voice vote.

Maintenance Agreement with Neopost for Nail Machine

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, supported by Commissioner Quain, to approve the maintenance agreement with Neopost for nail machine in the amount of \$2280 for a term of 09/20/07 – 09/19/08. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent 1; Commissioner Evans.

Software Service/Maintenance Agreements with eMobileApps for the Health Department

Moved by Commissioner Kearns, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to approve the Software Service/Maintenance Agreements with EMobile Apps for Visual Med and EnviroTrak software for the Health Department in the amount of \$12,405 for a term of 11/01/07 – 10/31/08. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

SunGard Bi-Tech Software Maintenance and Support Agreement

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to approve the SunGard Bi-Tech Software Maintenance Agreement in the amount of \$52,445.75 for a term of 10/27/07 – 10/26/08. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

Professional Services Contract with Terry Pettee for

Labor Relations Coordination Services

Moved by Commissioner Quain, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to approve Professional Services Contract with Terry Pettee as amended. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

RESOLUTION 07-41

St. Clair County Budget Adjustments

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to adopt Resolution 07-41 St. Clair County Budget Adjustments. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

Professional Services Contract with Kevin's Landscape for Snow Removal Services

Moved by Commissioner Kearns, supported by Commissioner Quain, to approve the Professional Services Contract with Kevin's Landscape care and Snow Removal in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 with an expiration of 04/15/2008. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

Agreement with Michigan Department of Corrections for Comprehensive Corrections Plan

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to approve the Comprehensive Corrections Plan with the Michigan Department of Corrections for fiscal year 2008. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

2008 Day Reporting Supervision Agreement with the Huron House

Moved by Commissioner Quain, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to approve the Day Reporting Supervision Agreement with the Huron House for a term of 10/01/07 – 09/30/08 in the amount of \$15,000. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

Residential Cognitive Substance Abuse Treatment with Catholic Social Services

Moved by Commissioner Kearns, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to approve the Residential Cognitive Substance Abuse Treatment Agreement with Catholic Social Services for a term of 10/01/07 – 09/30/08 in the amount of \$162,000. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 5; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain and Wall. Nays – 1; Commissioner Simasko. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

RESOLUTION 07-42

Adopting General Fund Budget

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to adopt Resolution 07-42 the St. Clair County 2008 General Appropriations. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 5; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain and Wall. Nays – 1; Commissioner Simasko. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

RESOLUTION 07-36

Road Commission Compensation

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to adopt Resolution 07-36 Establishing Compensation to be paid to Members of the St. Clair County Road Commission. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 5; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain and Wall. Nays – 1; Commissioner Simasko. Absent – 1: Commissioner Evans.

RESOLUTION 07-38

Elected & Non-elected Official Wages for 2008

Moved by Commissioner Kearns, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to adopt Resolution 07-38 Establishing Salaries of Specific County Elected and Non-Elected Officers for 2008. Motion dies with a tie vote. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 3; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann and Wall. Nays – 3; Commissioner Kearns, Quain and Simasko. Absent – 1; Commissioner Evans.

RESOLUTION 07-35

Establishing Wages for CANUE

Moved by Commissioner Bohm, supported by Commissioner Simasko, to adopt Resolution 07-35 Approving Annual Wage Adjustments for the County Association of Non-Union Employees. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 4; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Simasko and Wall. Nays - 2: Commissioner Kearns and Quain. Absent - 1; Commissioner Evans.

RESOLUTION 07-39

Establishing Per Diems for Boards and Commissions

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to adopt Resolution 07-39 Establishing Per Diems for Boards and Commissions. Passed by

a Roll Call Vote: Ayes –6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1; Commissioner Evans.

RESOLUTION 07-37

Waiving Interest Accrued on Taxes Collected by Local Units

Moved by Commissioner Quain, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to adopt Resolution 07-37 Waiving Interest Accrued on Taxes Collected by Local Units. Passed by a Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 6; Commissioner Bohm, Heidemann, Kearns, Quain, Simasko and Wall. Absent – 1; Commissioner Evans.

ADMINISTRATOR/CONTROLLER'S REPORT:

Shaun Groden, Administrator/Controller, highlighted the following items:

- Next Wednesday Retirees' Christmas Party at the American Legion
- 12/05/07 Committee Meetings; 12/12/07 Commission Meeting

Move by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Heidemann, to receive and file Mr. Groden's Report. Passed by a voice vote.

MISCELLANEOUSS BUSINESS

Commissioner Simasko requested that Resolution 06-42 be put on the agenda of Ways and Means. Commissioner Bohm requested that more information be given to employees on CDHC.

RECEIVE AND FILE PACKETS

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, supported by Commissioner Kearns, to receive and file packets that were sent to Commissioners, packets at their places and any other information. Passed by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Heidemann, supported by Commissioner Quain, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Wallace R. Evans, Chairperson

Marilyn Dunn, St. Clair County Clerk