

**MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FULL BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 24, 2008**

The Macomb County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 24, 2008 on the 9<sup>th</sup> Floor of the County Administration Building, in the Commissioners' Board Room, Mount Clemens. Chairman Crouchman called the meeting to order. A roll call was taken for attendance as follows:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>NOT PRESENT</b>
Andrey Duzyj	1	X	
Marvin Sauger	2	X	
Phillip A. DiMaria	3	X	
Jon Switalski	4		X
Susan L. Doherty	5	X	
Joan Flynn	6	X	
Sue Rocca	7	X	
David J. Flynn	8	X	
Robert Mijac	9	X	
Philis DeSaele	10	X	
Ed Szczepanski	11	X	
Peter J. Lund	12	X	
Don Brown	13	X	
Brian Brdak	14	X	
Keith Rengert	15	X	
Carey Torrice	16	X	
Ed Bruley	17	X	
Dana Camphous-Peterson	18	X	
Paul Gielegem	19	X	
Kathleen E. Tocco	20	X	
Leonard Haggerty	21	X	
Elizabeth Slinde	22	X	
William A. Crouchman	23	X	
Sarah Roberts	24	X	
Kathy Vosburg	25	X	
Leon Drolet	26	X	

Commissioner Switalski was absent and excused.

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Brown gave the invocation.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Duzyj, supported by Commissioner Slinde, to adopt the agenda. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Camphous-Peterson, supported by Commissioner DiMaria, to approve the minutes of December 13, 2007, December 21, 2007 (Special) and January 10, 2008 (Organizational). **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Jill Lezotte, 50778 Bower Ct., Chesterfield Twp.  
Tom Miscovich, St. Clair Shores

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**SPECIAL BUDGET COMMITTEE – January 8, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendations from the Special Meeting of the Budget Committee and a motion was made by Chair Brown, supported by Vice-Chair Sauger, to adopt the committee recommendations:

1. R08-001 Accept the revenue and expenditure changes totaling \$1,451,263 as outlined on Exhibit I and request that the department heads verify with the Finance Department the line items in their budget that would be changed. (Record no votes for DeSaele and Roberts on the Health Department reductions).

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – January 14, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendation from the Justice and Public Safety Committee and a motion was made by Chair Rengert, supported by Vice-Chair Brdak, to adopt the committee recommendation:

1. R08-002 Authorize the board Chairman to sign Amendment No. 2 to the June 24, 2004 memorandum of agreement between the Michigan Public Safety Communications System and Macomb County in reference to additional credits being received for additional infrastructure that has been added to the county's 800 mhz radio system.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE – January 14, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendations from the Legislative and Administrative Services Committee and a motion was made by Chair Lund, supported by Vice-Chair Switalski, to adopt the committee recommendations:

1. R08-003 Authorize the County Clerk/Register of Deeds to issue a request for proposal (RFP) for a credit card processing machine for the Register of Deeds office

and report back to the board with a recommendation and request for purchase of the equipment. Further, to broaden the RFP to include all countywide departments that are interested.

2. R08-004 Authorize the County Clerk/Register of Deeds office to issue a request for proposal (RFP) for an electronic check processing system and report back to the board with a recommendation and request for purchase of the equipment. Further, to broaden the RFP to include all countywide departments that are interested.
3. R08-005 Approve the purchase and installation of a building security system for Martha T. Berry consisting of 10 surveillance cameras at a cost not to exceed \$38,505.43; funding is available in the Martha T. Berry operating budget.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – January 18, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendations from the Community Services Committee and a motion was made by Chair Tocco, supported by Vice-Chair Drolet, to adopt the committee recommendations:

1. R08-006 Authorize Macomb MSU Extension to receive \$35,000 from local schools, community organizations and the MSU Extension to support the Great Lakes Education Program from January 1, 2008 until funds are fully expended.
2. R08-007 Authorize the Macomb County Community Services Agency to receive \$39,732 from Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) under the Specialized Services Operating Assistance Program.
3. R08-008 Authorize the Macomb County Community Services Agency to receive \$13,000 from the Department of Human Services to provide tax preparation assistance for low-income families.
4. R08-009 Authorize the Macomb County Community Services Agency to receive \$100,665 from the Michigan Community Action Agency Association to provide weatherization and client education services.
5. R08-010 Authorize the Macomb County Community Services Agency to create and fill one part-time Assistant Field Worker at no cost to the county.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE – January 18, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendations from the Senior Citizens Committee and a motion was made by Chair Gielegghem, supported by Vice-Chair Rocca, to adopt the committee recommendations:

Commissioners Gielegghem asked to separate #5 & #6. There were **NO** objections.

1. R08-011 Concur with continuation of existing SMART Specialized Services Operating Assistance Program third-party contract for fiscal year 2008.
2. R08-012 Concur with continuation of existing MORC Home Care, Inc., MI Choice Waiver Program subcontractor agreement, as amended.
3. R08-013 Accept RMS Communications check #74144 in the amount of \$348 and RMS Communications check #73804 in the amount of \$105 (total \$453). Donation will offset costs and expenses at senior seminars, trainings, conferences, and special events.
4. R08-014 Concur that future RMS Communications Group funds received by Senior Citizen Services shall be deposited into Senior Citizen Services Special Needs account. Such funds shall offset costs and expenses at senior seminars, trainings, conferences, and special events.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**SEPARATED MOTION**

5. R08-015 Terminate the agreement with Benefit Control Methods and begin the process of starting an agreement with NACO and notify participants. Further, that Macomb County not make any more payments to Benefit Control Methods until resolution of the entire dispute.
6. R08-016 Terminate the 18-59 program giving Benefit Control Methods 30-day notice and to terminate that program with the letter that Corporation Counsel suggested.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**BUDGET COMMITTEE – January 22, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendations from the Budget Committee and a motion was made by Chairman Brown, supported by Vice Chair Sauger, to adopt the committee recommendations:

Commissioner Camphous-Peterson asked to separate # 3, there were **NO** objections.

1. R08-017 Authorize actuarial fees not to exceed \$25,000 in support of the pension review project. (Record no vote for Drolet)
2. R08-018 Authorize a professional services contract with Sound Counseling, Inc. to provide therapeutic services at the Macomb County Juvenile Justice Center. The contract will facilitate a savings of \$28,600 annually.
4. R08-019 Approve \$163,720 in additional departmental spending cuts in the 2008 budget as noted on revised Exhibit I.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**SEPARATED MOTION**

3. R08-020 Protect the fundamental right of voting, continue the policy of making the Macomb County absent ballot application process uniform, advance the public interest of increasing Macomb County's clout, and provide senior citizens an equal opportunity to apply for an absent ballot regardless of where in the county they live, by directing the County Clerk to mail an application for "Absent Voter's Ballot Form" to Macomb County registered voters age 60 and over for the 2008 elections, except, AV application forms would not be sent to senior citizen registered voters who are already on the permanent AV list or whose local clerk automatically does mail AV application forms to all voters age 60 and over at a total cost not to exceed \$60,000. Funds for this resolution will be allocated out of the elections account.

**MOTION TO AMEND**

At the request of Harrison Township Clerk Jan Jorgensen, Commissioner Camphous-Peterson made a motion, supported by Commissioner Rengert, to exclude Harrison Township seniors from the resolution.

At the request of Chesterfield Township Clerk Kelly Jo Smolarek, Commissioner Vosburg offered a friendly amendment, which was accepted by Commissioner Camphous-Peterson to exclude Chesterfield Township seniors from the resolution.

At the request of Shelby Township Clerk Terri Kowal, Commissioner Lund asked to exclude Shelby Township seniors from the resolution.

**THE MOTION TO AMEND FAILED.**

**THE SEPARATED MOTION CARRIED.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE – January 23, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendations from the Finance Committee and a motion was made by Chair Slinde, supported by Vice-Chair Szczepanski, to adopt the committee recommendations:

1. R08-021 Concur in the recommendation of legal counsel regarding pending litigation with Hillside Productions.
2. R08-022 Approve the monthly bills (with corrections, deletions and/or addenda) and authorize payment; further, to approve the payroll in the total amount of \$14,232,605.03, with necessary modifications to the appropriations. (Record Torrice abstain from Torrice & Zelewski bills)
3. R08-023 Authorize payment for the following invoices:

HALL ROAD WAREHOUSE	BERNCO, INC.	\$ 13,193.60
JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER- PHASE II	BERNCO, INC.	263,387.41

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PLUMBING PIPING REVISIONS – COURT BIDG	BUILDERS, INC.	14,949.00
MASONRY RESTORATION	CUSACK'S MASONRY RESTORATION	52,570.56
42-2 DISTRICT COURT	E. GILBERT & SONS, INC.	524,712.55
42-2 DISTRICT COURT	PARTNERS IN ARCHITECTURE, PLC	11,046.56
PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING	PROJECT CONTROL SYSTEMS, INC.	86,600.42

Further, funds are available in the capital budget.

4. R08-024 Approve the following:  
  
To authorize an exemption from the living wage policy for the providers listed on the attached sheet, to be effective as of the January full board meeting date and expiring when the contracts expire on September 30, 2009 and  
That a letter be sent to the Community Mental Health Department indicating that the exemption process is still in review and that the exemptions for providers shall continue until the work of the Ad Hoc Committee is concluded and reported to the full board.
5. R08-025 Approve payment of \$525 to Vercruysse, Murray & Calzone for professional services rendered through December 31, 2007, with funding available in the contingency account; previous payment of \$5,527.25 for services rendered through October 31, 2007 was made from the contingency account.
6. R08-026 Approve the following for the Annual Volunteer Recognition Awards Program: accept nominations and select outstanding volunteer winners (two from each Macomb County Commissioner District); invite winners to the administration building at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 23, 2008 to an award ceremony to be held in the board room; the ceremony would be followed by a "coffee and dessert" reception.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**AD HOC COMMITTEE – January 23, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendation from the Ad Hoc Committee and a motion was made by Chair Vosburg, supported by Vice Chair Gielegem, to adopt the committee recommendation:

1. R08-027 Authorize an exemption from the living wage policy for the providers listed on the attached sheet, to be effective as of the January full board meeting date and expiring when the contracts expire on September 30, 2009.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – January 24, 2008**

**MOTION**

The clerk read the recommendations from the Personnel Committee and a motion was made by Chair Camphous-Peterson, supported by Vice Chair Duzyj, to adopt the committee recommendations:

Commissioner Mijak asked to separate #1, there were **NO** objections.  
Commissioner Doherty asked to separate # 5, there were **NO** objections.

2. R08-028 Approve a title change only for two positions currently classified as Station Operator to Equipment Operator in Office of Public Works.
3. R08-029 Approve the completion of the supervisory training program as outlined in a January 16, 2008 correspondence from the acting director of the Human Resources Department.
4. R08-030 Approve an extension of the voluntary four-day workweek program until December 31, 2008.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**SEPARATED MOTION**

1. R08-031 Approve reconfirmation of any of the proposed vacancies that are 100 percent grant funded, including benefits, and postpone all others until the February meeting.
5. R08-032 Authorize that the Human Resources Department and Corporation Counsel be directed to ensure that the contract for any new director hired be made very clear that this is an at will agreement and that in the future, any agreements for director positions be very clear that it is an at will position; Further, to direct the Human Resources Department and Corporation Counsel to report back to this committee in February regarding designation of directors positions at will and that any offers of employment to directors, regardless of their appointing authority, be detailed in writing that at will is under consideration for this body and it needs to be designated in their offer.

**FRIENDLY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner Doherty offered a friendly amendment to insert “**newly hired**” between “designation of” and “directors” and Commissioner Bruley accepted.

**THE SEPARATED MOTIONS CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTIONS/TRIBUTES**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner J. Flynn, supported by Commissioner Duzyj, to adopt the Resolutions and Tributes in their entirety.

- Res. No. 08-03 Calling on Comcast to keep local access on lower channel numbers. (offered by Lund; recommended by LAS Committee on 01-14-08)
- Res. No. 08-01 Commending Tyler Radlick for Leading the Chesterfield Leos to Become a Model Club. (offered by Vosburg; recommended by Finance Committee on 01-24-08)

Res. No. 08-02            Commending Arthur and Josephine Kubiak on their 50th Anniversary.  
(offered by Gielegem; recommended by Finance Committee on 01-24-08)

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**ITEM WAIVED TO FULL BOARD BY OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIR**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Szczepanski, supported by Commissioner Haggerty, to approve addendum to WiFi Rooftop License/Lease Agreement with Central Solution.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.** (Record **NO** vote for Drolet)

**REQUEST TO PURCHASE PREVIOUS SERVICE TIME**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Slinde, supported by Commissioner Rengert, to approve a request to purchase previous service time by Martha Jarvis.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPOINTMENTS**

- a)    **Local Emergency Planning Committee:**  
Unexpired term  
Brian Tyrell – 4-Fire Fighting
  
- b)    **Substance Abuse Advisory Council:**  
1 reappointment  
3 year terms (December 13, 2007 thru December 13, 2010)  
Michael Gallagher

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Doherty, supported by Commissioner DeSaele, to approve the appointments in their entirety. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner DiMaria spoke about article in Macomb Daily regarding Macomb County not getting enough money from HUD to help homeless.  
Commissioner Doherty informed board that Commissioner Switalski is out ill.  
George Brumbaugh, Corporation Counsel spoke regarding Senior Citizen's Guardianship Program lawsuit that was filed in 2004 and the county won.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None



**ROLL CALL**

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Jon Switalski	4		X
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David J. Flynn	8	X	
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Phillis DeSaele	10	X	
Ed Szczepanski	11	X	
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Commissioner Switalski was absent and excused.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Commissioner DeSaele, supported by Commissioner Duzyj, to adjourn.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Chair Crouchman adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m., until the call of the Chair.

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William Crouchman, Chairman

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Carmella Sabaugh, Clerk