

**MINUTES OF THE  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2016**

At a meeting of the **Government Operations Committee**, held Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at Oakland University Anton/Frankel Center, 20 S. Main St., Room 126, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Klinefelt-Chair, Smith-Vice-Chair, Brown, Carabelli, Duzyj, Flynn, Marino,  
Mijac, Miller, Sabatini, Sauger and Vosburg.

Absent and excused was Tocco.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Klinefelt called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Duzyj, to adopt the agenda, as presented. **The Motion Carried.**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Sabatini, to approve the April 12, 2016 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

**INTERVIEWS OF CANDIDATES FOR BOARDS & COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS**

**Macomb County Zoological Authority**

The following individuals were present:

Tom Kalkofen  
Elizabeth Green

The following individuals were unable to attend:

Matt Ahearn  
Grace Shore  
Diana Rascano

Chair Klinefelt noted that this appointment will be made at the May 5<sup>th</sup> Full Board meeting.

**DISCUSSION ON RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BALLOT LANGUAGE AND PLACE VETERANS MILLAGE INCREASE/RENEWAL ON AUGUST BALLOT (DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Committee discussed the question of putting the ballot language for a millage increase/renewal on the August or November ballot.

Frank Krycia explained that the current millage rate of 0.04 mills is good through 2018, but Veterans Services is asking for an increase to 0.069 mills, which would be an increase for 2017 and 2018, as well as an early renewal extension.

Board Chair Flynn noted that a decision for the August ballot needs to be made by May 10<sup>th</sup>.

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj, Sauger, Brown, Vosburg, Flynn, Smith, Carabelli, Miller, Sabatini and Mijac.

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Sabatini, to suspend the rules and allow a vote on the ballot option. **The Motion Carried.**

Chair Klinefelt polled commissioners on their preference for the issue to be placed on the ballot and commissioners chose the August ballot.

Brief discussion took place on the millage rate.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Smith, Sabatini, Marino, Carabelli, Sauger and Brown.

Chair Klinefelt stated that the millage rate issue will be forwarded to Thursday's Full Board meeting as recommended by Veterans Services.

**DISCUSSION ON RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R13-257, APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) PROGRAM (DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Frank Krycia gave an overview of the changes and noted that the amendments were approved by the Treasurer.

Cory Connolly from Andy Levin's office was also in attendance to answer questions.

The following commissioners spoke: Smith, Flynn and Vosburg.

Board Chair Flynn noted that the resolution will be on Thursday's Full Board agenda.

## **ADOPTION OF PROCLAMATIONS**

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Marino, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the following proclamations:

- a) Commending Jacob Bart – Eagle Scout (**offered by Brown**);
- b) Commending Wayne Oehmke – Retirement from Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce and Industry (**offered by Flynn**);
- c) Recognizing May 15-21, 2016 as Police Week and May 9, 2016 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in the City of Warren (**offered by Sauger**) and
- d) Commending Wakely Associates, Inc. – 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (**offered by Board**).

### **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION**

### **MOTION**

A motion was made by Marino, supported by Smith, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Voting yes were Brown, Carabelli, Duzyj, Flynn, Klinefelt, Marino, Mijac, Miller, Sabatini, Sauger, Smith and Vosburg. There were 12 "Yes" votes.

### **The Motion Carried.**

In accordance with the motion, committee entered Executive Session at 10:33 a.m., with it concluding at 10:45 a.m.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Vosburg stated that she accepted a "Green Hall of Fame" award on behalf of the Board of Commissioners at the MI Earth Day Event held in Rochester, Michigan, on April 22, 2016. The honor was presented to the Board in recognition of the success of its Green Schools Program initiative. The BOC was nominated for the award by Patti Dib who coordinates the program for commissioners.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Marino, to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**



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**Corinne Bedard**  
**Committee Reporter**