

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

JANUARY 6, 1976

The Organizational Meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 5, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 9:40 A.M. by Mrs. Edna Miller, Clerk and the following members were present when she called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur J. Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

Commissioner VanderPutten was excused because of illness. A quorum of the membership present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Clerk called for nominations for Temporary Chairman. Commissioner McCarthy nominated Commissioner Underwood. Commissioner Caruso moved that nominations be closed. Support by Bedard. Ayes all, motion carried and Commissioner Underwood was elected Temporary Chairman by acclamation.

Commissioner Underwood thanked the members of the Board for the privilege to serve as Temporary Chairman if only for a few minutes. He then called for nominations for Permanent Chairman.

Commissioner Walsh stated that because of the fine job done in the past year by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Sergeant at Arms; Commissioners VerKuilen, McCarthy and Plutter, that they all be nominated for re-election and that nominations be closed. Commissioner Dane supported the nominations.

The Temporary Chairman asked the gentlemen if they accept the nominations and all replied they did.

Civil Counsel Blomberg indicated that there must be a separate vote on all three offices unless the Board resolves there be no other nominations. There were no other nominations made for any of the three offices when the Temporary Chairman called thrice for nominations for each office.

Commissioner Myslakowski moved that all nominations be closed and that Commissioner VerKuilen as Chairman, Commissioner McCarthy as Vice-Chairman and Commissioner Plutter as Sergeant at Arms be unanimously elected by acclamation. Support by McHenry. On voice vote, ayes all and motion carried.

Commissioner Underwood stated the Board just made a wise vote for the coming year and congratulated all the newly elected officers. He then turned the Chair over to Mr. VerKuilen.

Chairman VerKuilen thanked the Board of Commissioners for their vote of confidence. He stated he was proud to serve with the Commissioners and even more so as Chairman. The Board has done a terrific job as shown in the many actions taken throughout the year. It will be a tough road in 1976, but I will try to do all that is necessary for the Board in getting needed information to effectively administrate as in the preparation of the budget, new labor contracts and general policy decisions. In regard to surrounding counties, this county has done a tremendous job in keeping costs down and providing the county's citizens with many types of services. Again, Chairman VerKuilen thanked the members for their vote of confidence in him.

Mr. VerKuilen requested a motion that the chairmanships of the major committees be continued. He indicated he would rearrange some of the sub-committee chairmanships to allow for new commissioners.

Commissioner Plutter moved that the Board of Commissioners concur in the recommendation of the Chairman that we continue with the present chairmans of the major committees. Motion supported by Caruso. Ayes all and motion carried.

AGENDA

Motion by Daner, supported by Walsh, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

MINUTES--DECEMBER 23, 1975

Each Commissioner having received a copy of the minutes of the meeting held on December 23, 1975, and there being no objections or corrections, motion was made by Underwood supported by Franchuk, that they be approved as presented. Ayes all and motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE - DECEMBER 30, 1975

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee. Commissioner Walsh requested clarification on the second recommendation, as it reads, pertaining to cost and distribution of a Public Works Legislative Report. Commissioner Back clarified that this should read Gongwer News Service Legislative Report, and it was the Committee's intent that only one subscription be continued at \$75.00 per month, thus saving the county \$80.00 per month by eliminating the two other subscriptions to the same report. That one copy will be forwarded to the Committee Reporter for duplication and distribution to other interested departments. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by McHenry, that the report be received, filed and recommendations, as corrected, adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

January 2, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Because of the time element involved, the following is a report of what transpired at the Finance Committee meeting held on December 30, 1975. The minutes for this meeting will contain a detailed account of the proceedings. (retained in Board of Commissioners' Office)

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS - COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Plutter, supported by Zoccola, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems as submitted for the period December 15 through December 26, 1975. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was previously mailed the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared by the Controller's Office.

Page 12, Voucher 12-1112. Public Works, Legislative Report.

The Finance Sub-Committee questioned the number of county subscribers to the report. It has been determined that the offices of the County Clerk, Public Works Commissioner, and Civil Counsel receive the report which is billed on the basis of the number of reports received within any one organization. The current charge to the county is \$75 per month for the first copy and \$40 per month for the second and third copies or a total of \$155 per month. The sub-committee recommended that two of the subscriptions be eliminated and that the third be mailed to the Committee Reporter for duplication and distribution to the departments who would find it useful.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY R. SABAUGH, THAT THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE TO ELIMINATE TWO OF THE GONGWER NEWS SERVICE LEGISLATIVE REPORTS; TO CONTINUE THE FIRST SUBSCRIPTION AT A COST OF \$75.00 PER MONTH; AND THAT COPY BE MAILED TO THE COMMITTEE REPORTER FOR DUPLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION TO THE DEPARTMENTS WHO WOULD FIND IT USEFUL AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee was in receipt of the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared and mailed by the Controller's Office and in that connection, the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY DANE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$842,692.52 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDITIONS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; AND TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 22, 1975 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,025,827.90 WITH NECESSARY FUNDS BEING APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

June Walczak
Assistant Committee Reporter

APPOINTMENTS - SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Correspondence from Norman Hill, Executive Director of Community Mental Health Services, advised of the re-appointments (2) and appointments (5) to be made by the Board of Commissioners to the Substance Abuse Advisory Council.

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Commissioner Myslakowski stated he spoke with the Chairman of the HEEW Committee who indicated he was not aware that this would be on the agenda today. Commissioner Myslakowski then moved that this item be tabled and referred back to the Health, Education, Environmental and Welfare Committee for their recommendation.

Commissioner Caruso stated that any time there are appointments to be made by the Board of Commissioners, we are not given prior notification. The only time we hear of it is on the floor the day of the Full Board meeting. He then offered support to Commissioner Myslakowski's motion.

Commissioner Johnson advised that nominations are made by the proper people; Substance Abuse Advisory Council, County Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency, Community Mental Health Services Board and/or Board of Commissioners. There is nothing secretly done.

Commissioner Caruso responded by indicating that there are very few names from Sterling Heights on the list. Maybe I was lax, I'll take the blame, but we should be notified first so we can check with people in our districts who may want to serve. I have a few of these people in mind.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said maybe Mr. Caruso has a point, but this is Substance Abuse Advisory, I don't want to see this become political. This Council has been doing a good job. Commissioner Johnson concurred. I have been on the Mental Health Services Board only a couple of months and I don't know if it is necessary this come before this Board too. These are good, competent people doing a good job on an advisory board. I vote no to the tabling motion.

Commissioner Tomlinson asked if it went through proper channels, where are the applications? I don't doubt these are fine people, but let's follow proper procedure. We must have an application for each nominee, signed by a Commissioner.

Commissioner Underwood stated the representation should be geographically spread throughout the county. I agree with Commissioner Caruso. Every community should be represented.

Commissioner Back pointed out that in Mr. Hill's correspondence, he recommended that the Community Mental Health Services Board nominate to the Board of Commissioners several individuals and that they also support several re-nominations. This letter is not addressed to the Board of Commissioners. If applications have not been filed by these people, I suggest we receive them before making any appointments.

Chairman VerKuilen stated that proper procedure has been followed so far, but the Board wants applications filed too.

Commissioner Gavin said he can see no problem in re-appointing Richard Sabaugh and David Olson, as their terms expired on June 20, 1975, and tabling the other appointments.

Commissioner Myslakowski stated he agrees with Commissioner Caruso regarding county representation. He then advised, with concurrence by Commissioner Caruso (suporter of the motion) that he is amending his motion to include that all the nominees submit applications.

Commissioner Johnson also stressed the fact that two Council terms expired in June, 1975. He suggested a memo be sent to Mr. Hill asking him to outline the legal procedures of the act governing the Council.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh pointed out that the Board is actually dealing here with 2 recommendations. One concerning re-appointments and the other regular nominations. He asked why so much red tape? The Full Board is here now. Why table and send back to Committee? These people have demonstrated their ability.

Commissioner Plutter said in 1975 we always went with proper procedure. I'm not against the people involved here, I'm against not following proper procedure.

Commissioner Underwood stated that every appointment should follow proper procedure regardless if they're re-appointments or whatever. There is no reason an application can't be filed.

The Chairman reminded the meeting that this is an advisory council.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated this is the first time I've seen the list and I'm the Chairman of the Mental Health Sub-Committee. This definitely should be referred back.

Commissioner McCarthy said some of the thinking here today is good, but it's difficult sometimes to get people to serve on these commissions or committees.

On voice vote on the motion that the appointments to the Substance Abuse Advisory Council be tabled and referred back to the Health, Education, Environmental and Welfare Committee for their recommendation and applications received from all nominees, and returned to the Full Board, ayes all except Johnson and S. Sabaugh. Motion carried.


Commissioner Walsh then moved that the Board of Commissioners reconsider the nominations of Richard Sabaugh and David Olson, and they be re-appointed to the Substance Abuse Advisory Council. Motion supported by DeGrendel.

After further discussion, Commissioner DeGrendel complimented both gentlemen but withdrew his support to the motion.

There was no other support offered Commissioner Walsh's motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Zoccola moved that there being no other business, the meeting adjourn.
Motion supported by Walsh. Ayes all, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.



Robert A. Verkuilen, Chairman



Edna Miller, Clerk

JANUARY 22, 1976

A regular meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 22, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 9:35 A.M. by Chairman VerKuilen and the following members were present when the Clerk called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur Joseph Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
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John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

A quorum of the membership present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

Commissioner Underwood introduced John Pitlosh and Cass Jamkowski, visitors, sitting in the audience.

AGENDA

Motion by Johnson, supported by McCarthy, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

MINUTES--JANUARY 6, 1976

The minutes of the meeting held January 6, 1976 had been previously forwarded to each Commissioner and, there being no objections or corrections, motion was made by Dane, supported by Trombley, that they be approved as presented. Ayes all and motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk read correspondence from Frank A. Schmidt, Jr., Executive Secretary of the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund Board of Trustees, wherein Angus M. MacLeod was re-appointed to serve as Veterans of Foreign Wars representative on the Macomb County Veterans Trust Fund Committee and Frank J. Starkey was re-appointed to serve as AMVETS representative on that same committee. Both gentlemen's term of office to expire December 31, 1978.

Motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by Zoccola, to receive and file said correspondence.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE - JANUARY 13, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee and motion was made by McHenry, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Motion supported by McCarthy. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held on Tuesday, January 13, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Macomb County Court Building - Board of Commissioners' Conference Room, the following members were present:

Back - Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, Grove, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, Walsh and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Hramiec and Zoccola, both of whom requested to be excused; and Commissioner VanderPutten, who requested to be excused due to illness.

Also Present:

John Shore, County Controller
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer
Joseph Zacharzewski, Director - Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the Committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 A.M. by the Chairman.

Chairman Back designated the next five (5) minutes to review the Finance Subcommittee Report of January 12, 1976 which was distributed to the Committee this date.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Walsh, supported by Tarnowski, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems for the period December 29 through January 9, as submitted. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was in receipt of the semi-monthly bills as prepared and previously mailed by the Controller's Office.

Chairman Back advised committee this list, in total, still reflected 1975 bills.

A review of the bills was conducted and questions were raised on several vouchers, including but not limited to the following:

Page 8 - Voucher 13-166 to A.B. Dick Company in the amount of \$315 for a maintenance agreement with Cooperative Extension. Commissioner McCarthy asked how much printing is done by Cooperative Extension and where this printed material is distributed.

Mr. Diegel indicated Cooperative Extension does a great deal of printing for the numerous home economic programs and other programs they have designed for the housewife. With respect to the volume of printing, Mr. Diegel said he would have to check into this.

Chairman Back felt the question was worth investigation.

Mr. Diegel noted this information will be included in the analysis being made by the Special Sub-committee to review the use of printing and duplicating machines throughout County operations, of which Commissioner Bedard is Chairman.

Chairman Back asked that this be reviewed by Commissioner Bedard's sub-committee and included in their report.

Page 8 - Voucher 13-211 to Martha T. Berry in the amount of \$393 for 30 sets of painters uniforms. Commissioner Walsh said this seems to be a large quantity and asked how many painters we had.

Mr. Diegel said he didn't know the number of painters working for the County, although some C.E.T.A. employees are being used in this capacity. He noted the County used to purchase these uniforms from an outside firm but it was found to be more economical for Martha T. Berry to purchase these with their other uniforms. The County now buys these uniforms from Martha T. Berry and Martha T. Berry also cleans them. Mr. Diegel said he would have to check on the number of painters.

Page 8 - Voucher 13-278 to James Pollard in the amount of \$90.85 for real property taxes. In response to Commissioner Franchuk, Mr. Diegel explained this is a special assessment for water and sewer and the County is liable for those.

Page 11 - Voucher 13-212 to Martha T. Berry in the amount of \$3,010. Commissioner DeGrendel noted there is no explanation given for this bill as it appears on the bill listing under the Planning Commission.

Mr. Diegel explained this was in error and should be listed under the Personnel Department. It is for lab work.

Pages 13 - 14, Vouchers 13-79 and 13-221 in the amounts of \$1,250 and \$1,800 for doctor fees to Dr. Myron Emerick and Dr. Burleight Larlee (respectively). Commissioner Walsh pointed out a contract for Dr. Emerick's services at the jail was designed to keep such expenses at a minimum. He questioned the \$1,800 fee.

Mr. Diegel stated the \$1,800 bill represents the doctor's fee at Mt. Clemens General for a prisoner who was taken there; an operation was performed in October, 1975, on this prisoner.

Commissioner Walsh asked if this prisoner or his family had insurance to cover such an expense.

Mr. Diegel was unable to provide an answer to that at this time. He did note that the bill was reviewed by the Sheriff's Department and upon their recommendation also sent to Civil Counsel for review. There was no recourse against this individual prisoner and the bill was submitted.

Commissioner Walsh asked what the operation was.

Mr. Diegel indicated the description is 2½ pages as to what was done and he would have to digest it in order to explain the type of operation.

Commissioner Walsh pointed out if this \$1,800 is merely the doctor's fee, a bill from the hospital will also be coming in. He asked that this bill be held in abeyance pending receipt of additional information as well as what the hospital bill will amount to.

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Further discussion ensued and satisfactory explanations were given to questions on various vouchers. The following action was taken:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$574,757.47 (WITH CORRECTIONS AND/OR DELETIONS OR AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; AND, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIODS ENDING DECEMBER 26 AND 30, 1975, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,016,441.53; FURTHER THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE - POPULATION SURVEY,
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the County Controller as distributed to them this date. The explanation and request contained therein follows:

The Federal Income Tax Return is the vehicle by which the Bureau of the Census and the Department of Revenue Sharing made a determination of population for the purpose of distribution of Federal Revenue Sharing. The Department of Revenue Sharing has requested that the widest possible communication be made with taxpayers to inform them of the necessity of completing the appropriate data on the tax return.

Because of its importance, not only to the County of Macomb but also to every city, village and township, I herewith request that I be granted authority to distribute, by mail, a circular identifying the importance of properly completing the tax return so that the various units of government in Macomb County do not lose tens of thousands of dollars of possible funds.

In addition, if authority is granted, I would recommend that this circular also be used as a Revenue Sharing report to the people of Macomb County identifying the uses the Board of Commissioners have put Federal Revenue Sharing monies to and the basic reasoning and philosophy used in the determination of this use.

I estimate the cost of this mailing to be approximately Twenty two thousand dollars (\$22,000.00) to Twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) and would request that the motion to approve contain the phrase that Federal Revenue Sharing funds are to be used. The Department of Revenue Sharing has indicated this to be an approved use of Revenue Sharing Funds.

Mr. Shore told committee he has been in contact with the Departments of Census and Revenue Sharing regarding this problem; the Federal Income Tax Return is the vehicle they use to set population rates on which the Federal Revenue Sharing funds are paid, it is prime criteria.

They indicated in the mid-west, especially, a problem occurs because of the overlap of mailing addresses between cities, townships, etc. Since these forms are so important for the return of revenue sharing money, not only to the County but also to all local units within the County, the Federal Departments are requesting local government units to try to impress on everybody to file the necessary information accurately.

Mr. Shore noted the population number being used at this point of time is estimated by the Planning Department to be about 20,000 less than the actual number of people in Macomb County. He felt it is possible that we could be talking about a loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenue sharing funds because of the overlapping home address. As an example many people in one area of Shelby Township have Oakland County (Rochester) mailing addresses.

In an attempt to advise our residents of the importance of completing this part of the tax form and doing it correctly, Mr. Shore requested permission to mail a circular to all County residents giving a clear identifiable mode of completing this information and suggesting if questions prevail, they contact their respective County Commissioner. The Controller felt that this method was most direct and quickest to reach everybody. In conjunction with this because the time frame is extremely tight (he hoped to have the circulars in the mail within one or two weeks) Controller Shore asked that the normal bidding procedure be waived and that his office be allowed to negotiate with the couple firms locally that are capable of providing this service.

Further, Mr. Shore suggested if this method is going to be used, we could also take the opportunity to provide them with a revenue sharing report, how these funds have been used in the past and possibly future programs.

Commissioner McCarthy felt this program could save hundreds of thousands of dollars. He greatly favored the idea of informing the people where their revenue sharing money has been spent.

Commissioner Plutter pointed out he lives in an area (Dequindre & 24 Mile Road) along with 2,000 or 3,000 other people that have a Rochester mailing address. If these people think they live in Oakland County because of their mailing address, they should be contacted. He asked the Controller if the Shelby Township Supervisor could assist him in this area.

Controller Shore said what he intended to use is a mailing service that would have all mailing addresses of everybody within the County borders. He would, however, verify that those Rochester addresses are included.

Mr. Shore further pointed out the fact that he has received permission from the Department of Revenue Sharing to use revenue sharing monies for the purpose of this mailing. They feel it is important enough because this compiled information is also used by the Bureau of Census for other purposes as well.

Chairman Back said if this is approved, the Controller should direct a letter, under the Board Chairman's signature, to all our local communities notifying them that the County is in the process of doing this and it won't be necessary for them to. This will save local communities time and money and as it is, the County is in a better position to handle notification.

Commissioner Underwood also pointed out a potential problem area where residents in Clinton Township have Mt. Clemens mailing addresses.

Commissioner Gavin said he couldn't see the purpose for such great haste. Most people are just getting out from under the Christmas landslide and are not even thinking about their Federal Income Tax. This letter could be thrown in the waste basket by the time they get around to it. Commissioner Gavin didn't feel the timing was right. He also couldn't see the need for carrying this mailing county-wide. The people in Warren and St. Clair Shores know where they live and Commissioner Gavin said he couldn't see putting \$25,000 into this project where a lot of it is not necessary. Commissioner Gavin suggested that St. Clair Shores, Roseville, East Detroit and Warren be eliminated from the mailing. He suspected that residents in these communities have received the annual calendars from their respective communities and are aware of their proper city. Commissioner Gavin did not think the problem is as county-wide as Controller Shore implied. Commissioner Gavin called committee's attention to a suggestion offered by the Department of Treasury to seek help from local newspapers, radio and television stations for the purpose of getting this information out to the general public. He felt certain they would cooperate in making such announcements.

Commissioner Gavin said he is not against what the Controller is saying, he just doesn't think it is necessary to cover every area of the County, only those where problems could arise and only at the proper time, rather than now.

Controller Shore apologized and stated there is one very important point he failed to relate to the Committee. In his conversation with the Bureau of the Census he asked why this portion of the return was not obligatory and nowhere on the return does it indicate the importance. It is a matter of telling people every unit of government in this County will lose money if they fail to fill out that section. Mr. Shore said his concern is to make sure everybody in Macomb County knows the importance of filling this out.

Commissioner Gavin felt that point was extremely important to the issue. He suggested the Board relate their objection to the voluntary aspect and seek to have it made mandatory.

Mr. Shore stated they thought this was going to be an obligatory part of the tax return but it was not treated as such and it is too late now because the returns are in the hands of the people. The Department of Revenue Sharing and Census have registered their objections and are seeking to make it mandatory.

Commissioner Grove estimated 80% of the people have their returns completed by professionals. He suggested some type of communication with these professionals to seek their cooperation in stressing the importance of accurate completion.

Considerable discussion ensued. Various Commissioners stressed the fact that this action is not undertaken to hurt any of the local communities but rather to see that each is getting their fair share of revenue sharing funds.

Controller Shore was of the opinion Commissioner Gavin had a very good point in utilizing local news media. This should probably be incorporated into the public education program and used as follow-up to the circulars. Perhaps we could run advertisements periodically such as once a month for the next 90 days. That kind of cost will only be minimal compared to the original cost and might prove beneficial.

Controller Shore, in response to Commissioners Grove, R. Sabaugh and Johnson's observations, indicated his office will also notify all the tax services, banks, and other tax preparation agencies.

Chairman Back reiterated, along with the notification will be a total report on how these revenue sharing funds are being spent, what programs we have on-going with them. The entire thing will be an emphasis on their helping themselves by filling this out properly.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER TO CONCUR IN THE CONTROLLER'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAIVE BID PROCEDURES AND AUTHORIZE THE CONTROLLER TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO FORMULATE THE CIRCULAR MATERIAL (SECURING ANY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NECESSARY) AND NEGOTIATE FOR THE MAILING SERVICE; FURTHER, THAT REVENUE SHARING FUNDS BE USED FOR THIS TOTAL PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Back appointed the following Commissioners to assist the Controller as relates to the cost and format of the circular because of their expertise in these areas: Board Chairman VerKuilen, R. Sabaugh, D. Tarnowski and H. Grove.

He asked if there were any objections, none were voiced.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Johnson, supported by McCarthy to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 A.M. Motion carried.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - JANUARY 13, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this Committee. Plutter, supported by Zoccola, moved to receive and file the report and adopt the recommendations. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Personnel Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Personnel Committee, held on Tuesday, January 13, 1976 on the 2nd floor Macomb County Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Franchuk-Chairman, Bedard, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Gavin, Grove, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Trombley, Underwood, Walsh and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Hramiec, Tomlinson and Zoccola, all of whom requested to be excused; also Commissioner VanderPutten, who requested to be excused due to illness.

Also Present:

Joseph Zacharzewski, Director - Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:31 A.M. by the Chairman.

VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT
BUDGETED POSITIONS

Mr. Zacharzewski reviewed the vacancies or anticipated vacancies as previously mailed to committee noting each was checked and determined necessary to maintain the current level of services in their respective department.

CLASSIFICATION

DEPARTMENT

2 Nurse Aide positions vacant December 12, 1975 (E.Deel) January 3, 1976 (B.Cannon)	Martha T. Berry M.C.F.
One Therapy Aide III, position vacant January 5, 1976 (S.VanTiem)	Martha T. Berry M.C.F.
One Switchboard Operator, position to be vacant January 17, 1976 (M.Schoonmaker)	Martha T. Berry M.C.F.
One Probation Officer, position to be vacant January 19, 1976 (L.Fazzini)	Adult Probation Department
One Male Attendant, position vacant January 8, 1976 (G.Weaver)	Juvenile Court (Youth Dome)
One Account Clerk II, position vacant May 6, 1975 (J.McWilliams)	Controller (Accounting)

He explained the Account Clerk II position before committee, while "vacant" since May 6, 1975, has actually been filled by part-time or summer help. These reserves have run out and the request is to fill the budgeted position.

As in the past, Mr. Zacharzewski noted these positions (particularly clerical) are filled usually from within the department mostly with C.E.T.A. people moving into budgeted slots. It may, however, be necessary to go to the outside for professional replacements.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GRENDDEL, SUPPORTED BY GROVE TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS OUTLINED IN CORRESPONDENCE FROM MR. ZACHARZEWSKI DATED JANUARY 6, 1976. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Zacharzewski stated two additional vacancies were received subsequent to the mailing and advised of the following:

CLASSIFICATION

DEPARTMENT

Typist Clerk II	Youth Home
Steno Clerk I/II	Friend of the Court

These also were reviewed and deemed necessary to maintain the current level of services in the departments.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFIRM FILLING THE VACANT BUDGETED POSITIONS OF TYPIST CLERK II - YOUTH HOME AND STENO CLERK I/II - FRIEND OF THE COURT. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Caruso, supported by Tarnowski, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 A.M. Motion carried.

Walter Franchuk, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - JANUARY 15, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee and motion was made by Hramiec, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Motion supported by Franchuk. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Judiciary & Public Safety Committee
January 15, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee, held on Thursday, January 15, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Hramiec-Chairman, DeGrendel, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, Johnson, Plutter
Tarnowski, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners R. Sabaugh and S. Sabaugh who asked to be excused.

Also Present:

Theodore Vernier, Director, Detroit Office of U.S. Drug Enforcement
Administration
Lt. Gill, Warren Police Department
Commissioner Gilliam, Warren Police Department
Dave Diegel, Controller's Office
Robert Nyovich, Director, Law Enforcement/Civil Defense
Bill Ryan, Probation Department
Don Amboyer, Probation Department

There being a quorum of the Committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:45 A.M. by Chairman Hramiec.

PROPOSED CONTINUATION BUDGET FOR THE
VOLUNTEER PROBATION AIDES PROGRAM

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the Probation Department concerning the continuation of the 1976 budget of the Volunteer Probation Aides Program. Mr. Amboyer of the Probation Department was on hand to explain their program. Their program commenced in January, 1973 and was conducted, through federal funding, in 1974. In January, 1975, the program was picked up by the county in a budget approved by the Board of Commissioners for an amount of \$4,100. The minutes will show that during 1974 they spent \$2,900, which was \$1,200 less than was budgeted. The proposed budget for 1976 is approximately 12% less than last year. The Probation Department has attempted to keep the budget down as much as possible.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated that this is a valuable program and the residents of the county are lucky to have it.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION MADE BY DE GRENDDEL, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT IN THE CONTINUATION OF THE VOLUNTEER PROBATION ADIES PROGRAM AT A COST OF \$4,738.87 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION RE FEES AND MILEAGE FOR TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS FOR DOG DAMAGE INVESTIGATIONS

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the Controller's Office which was received in answer to the question whether fees and mileage are to be paid Township Supervisors or Trustees for their investigation of dog damages. Mr. Shore indicated in the letter that he could not find authorization for such payments in the State Act covering this matter. Such payment would have to be as an action of the Board of Commissioners. The only fees mentioned in the Act were fees to be paid to a Justice of the Peace.

Dave Diegel pointed out that the only mention in the Act covering livestock damages were those paid to a Justice of the Peace. The Justice of the Peace system was dis-

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solved and there has been no provision in the law for payment to these individuals under the old law. The Justice of the Peace used to be paid \$4.00 plus ten cents a mile. Under the current law, that provision has been eliminated. Part of the confusion came about because the form had never been updated to eliminate the line item. They have asked that the forms be reprinted to eliminate that portion.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated that he had requested this report. There is some expense involved in this procedure and asked if the expense should be paid by the Townships.

Dave Diegel replied that the county could hire someone to perform that function, however, Commissioner DeGrendel said it would be too expensive to do it that way.

MOTION

Motion made by DeGrendel, supported by Back that the Controller's Office write a letter to the Clerk of Washington Township explaining the procedure used for reimbursement of livestock killed by stray dogs.

Commissioner Zoccola asked Dave Diegel if ten such cases would be a good guess and was advised that it would be more than ten. Commissioner Zoccola said if someone is performing a service they should get paid for it. The county might be better to continue the policy and the matter could be taken care of by the Township. It is not a great expense. They could be paid \$4.00 for a trip plus ten cents a mile.

Commissioner Back said he has one question before he decides. He is not really concerned with who goes out on the call initially, but he is speaking of the total cost. He is more concerned about the responsibility - is it the county's responsibility to pay for the loss.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated if you hire someone to do the job, you are picking up another salary and it will cost more money in the long run than having the township official do it. They live in the area and the mileage would be less.

Commissioner Johnson stated that perhaps the Sheriff patrolling in the area could do the investigating. There would be a car on patrol in the area during the day. Perhaps the dog shelter employees could do this job.

Commissioner DeGrendel said he is trying to keep the costs down and feels that the township official who lives in the area could do the investigating. It would be cheaper to leave it the way it is now.

Commissioner Plutter pointed out that the law is changed. The Township Supervisor can send one of his officers out to check this out with no fee. He stated he thought the fee on livestock should be raised.

At this point, Commissioner DeGrendel rescinded his first motion and the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO PAY A \$4.00 FEE, PLUS TEN CENTS PER MILE TO A TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR, OR ANY PERSON HE SHALL DESIGNATE, FOR THE TRIP NECESSARY TO INVESTIGATE LIVESTOCK KILLED BY STRAY DOGS, THIS PRACTICE TO BE FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING FEBRUARY 1, 1976, AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

John C. Hramiec, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee Reporter

BUDGET COMMITTEE - JANUARY 19, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Myslakowski, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Budget Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Budget Committee, held on Monday, January 19, 1976, on the 2nd floor, Macomb County Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Walsh-Chairman, Grove, Back, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Trombley, Underwood, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Franchuk, Gavin, Hramiec, VanderPutten and Tomlinson.

Also Present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joseph Zacharzewski, Director-Personnel/Labor Relations
Norm Hill, Administrator-Mental Health

With a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approx-9:31 A.M. by the Chairman.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Chairman Walsh referred to correspondence previously mailed to committee from the Controller requesting permission to transfer \$100,000 indicated in the 1976 Budget under Account No. 821.06, Hospital In-patient Service of the Mentally Ill to the Macomb County Community Mental Health budget, in order to qualify for 90/10 State funding.

Chairman Walsh indicated this request would have come up earlier at one of the Budget Committee meetings but we had a request for this meeting; subsequently, a letter was received from Judge Sanborn indicating he doesn't need this meeting and that he agrees with the transfer of the funds.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DANE, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS (\$100,000) FROM THE HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICE OF THE MENTALLY ILL, PROBATE COURT TO THE MACOMB COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET.

In response to questions, Controller Shore indicated the County still doesn't know if we will be on the 90/10 basis, the State is continuing its evaluation. If it isn't exactly a 90/10 basis it will be close. We don't have the entire set of regulations to tell us what the ramifications are but there might be a \$20,000 to \$25,000 loss of fees involved.

Mr. Hill noted money placed in the Mental Health budget is eligible and therefore, the County may get 90/10 match on it. As an example are these program services needed by the Court; Mental Health will arrange to see these are quality services, write a contract, and hopefully secure approval by the State. What we are trying to do is get more services for the County dollar.

Commissioner McCarthy referred to Judge Sanborn's letter and his intention that the Court retain the right to place the mentally ill in such facilities as the Court deems suitable and not delegate this power to Mental Health. Other than the Clinton Valley Center, the Court is using Humanity House in Romeo. The Judge asks that the necessary contract between Community Mental Health and Humanity House be entered into immediately after the transfer of funds so there can be a continuity of use regarding Humanity House. Commissioner McCarthy asked if this would present problems.

Mr. Hill indicated Humanity House is on an extended temporary license. He doesn't see any problems with them although they are in bad financial condition. It has been the Mental Health Board's recommendation for the past two years that we don't put guaranteed funding into that program; they are about \$160,000.00 in debt right now.

Commissioner McCarthy said he questioned this because he doesn't want to see any conflict between the Mental Health Department and the Judge.

Chairman Walsh pointed out the Judge is furnished with a list of approved agencies from the State.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE - PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR

Chairman Walsh referred to correspondence distributed to committee this morning from the Personnel/Labor Relations Director requesting the following:

1. Approval to retain the services of Mr. Earl Boonstra, of the firm of Dykema-Gossett, Spencer, Goodnow & Trig, as the Employer's panel member representing Macomb County, in the event present Collective Bargaining negotiations with the Sheriff's Department Command Officers (Local #1917 AFSCME) reach an impasse, necessitating compulsory arbitration as required by Public Act 312 of the Acts of 1969, as amended. Mr. Boonstra effectively represented the County in the arbitration proceedings which resulted in the 1972-73 Arbitration Award.
2. Mr. Boonstra has agreed to a sum of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per hour, not to exceed eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) as his total compensation for participation in the Command Officer arbitration proceedings.
3. Mr. Boonstra further agrees to a sum of sixty dollar (\$60.00) per hour, not to exceed thirty two hundred dollars (\$3,200.00), as total compensation for his participation in the arbitration proceedings covering Local #1277 AFSCME (Deputies, Turnkeys, Medical Turnkeys, Matrons, Paraprofessionals, I.D. Technicians, Clerical and Telephone Operators) in the event arbitration proceedings are required by the Statute.

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In response to Commissioner Dane's question, Mr. Zacharzewski stated \$60.00 is the usual hourly rate for an individual with Mr. Boonstra's ability. Should both units go to arbitration (Local 1917 and 1277) the total cost to the County would not exceed \$5,000.00.

Mr. Zacharzewski also explained, with regard to further questions by Commissioner Dane, the employees of the Sheriff's Department have asked for a change in bargaining units from AFSCME to the Police Officers Association. They have petitioned the Michigan Employment Relations Commission (MERC) but no decision has yet been rendered. In order to make this request of MERC they needed and got signatures from at least 30% of their group. If the trial examiner feels there is cause for them to change bargaining units, at that point a vote of their membership will be taken.

With respect to retaining Mr. Boonstra, Commissioner Underwood asked if it will be stipulated in the contract that this individual serve in this capacity regardless how long it takes.

Mr. Zacharzewski said this would be stipulated.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RETAIN THE SERVICES OF EARL BOONSTRA AS A MEDIATOR REPRESENTING MACOMB COUNTY AT THE RATE OF \$60.00 PER HOUR WITH A MAXIMUM OF \$1,800.00 FOR COMMAND OFFICERS ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS AND AT THE RATE OF \$60.00 PER HOUR NO TO EXCEED \$3,200.00 FOR PARTICIPATING IN ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS WITH LOCAL 1277 OF AFSCME. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Zacharzewski advised committee at the most recent meeting with Command Officers held on the 14th, they submitted a revised proposal of demands which reduced the amount of cost to the County from \$3.54 per hour for a one year contract to \$2.07 per hour for a one year contract. They have some open ended type of proposals regarding retirement, etc. that could be applied to other employees. The Command Officers say this is their final position but they also stated they might amend it one more time; this looks doubtful. Mr. Zacharzewski indicated they have eight (8) items left on the table in terms of fringe benefits and wage increases.

Mr. Zacharzewski stated negotiations with all labor unions are going very badly.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Bedard to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 A.M. Motion carried.

Michael Walsh, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - JANUARY 19, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee. Commissioner Caruso stated, though it may not be proper at this time, he would like to change his vote on the first committee recommendation. The assessors agree on the percentage increase, I don't. It's too high. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by VanderPutten, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Monday, January 19, 1976, on the 2nd floor, Macomb County Court Building-Board of Commissioners' Conference Room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Trombley, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Gavin, VanderPutten and Tomlinson.

Also Present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joseph Zacharzewski, Director, Personnel/Labor Relations
LaVerne Schuette, Director, Equalization Department
Ray McPeters, Chief Civil Counsel
Local Assessors:
John Jarzyna, City of New Baltimore
Donald Loranger, Clinton Township
Frank J. Wiegand, City of Warren
Don Brannan, City of East Detroit
Richard Roney, City of Richmond

Robert Usiadek, Bruce Township
Fred DeBusscher, City of St. Clair Shores
Thomas Colombo, City of Roseville
Eugene Betzold, City of Sterling Heights
Richard Kling, Chesterfield Township
Matt Wagner, Chesterfield Township Supervisor
Robert Arrigo, Harrison Township
Vern Pearl, Richmond Township Supervisor
Bill Finlan, Macomb County Intermediate School District

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:12 A.M. by the Chairman.

DISCUSSION OF EQUALIZATION RE-WORK REPORT

Mr. Schuette distributed to committee various statistical reports (see Committee report in 1-22-76 file). These were labeled I, II and III for easy reference as follows:

Sheet I - 1975 Rework, % of County Total, Redistribution of Last Years County Equalization & Tentative Factors (Real); Sheet II - Tentative Overall Factors; Sheet III - Redistribution of Last Years County Equalization (Real), Total Personal & Grand Total.

Mr. Schuette explained Sheet I reflects the government unit, and redistribution of last year's Total County Equalized which is 3,181,028,800. This was redistributed using a new approach.

Sheet II, he continued, lists the Tentative Overall Factors for Real Property and Personal Property.

Sheet III, is the results of redistribution, including Personal Property and the new Grand Totals for government units and on that basis the new Total County Equalized Tentative of 4,074,472,458.

As far as reasons for staying with the 2.3 billion figure, Mr. Schuette indicated Mr. McPeters would explain same.

Mr. McPeters told committee that Board Chairman VerKuilen, Commissioner Back, Mr. Schuette, Mr. Blomberg and himself have spent much time analyzing the case the County has pending before the Tax Tribunal. The posture of that case is pending the result of three cases before the Michigan Supreme Court to determine whether or not the County Board of Commissioners can appeal. The Attorney General requested and received from the Tribunal a stay of proceedings pending these Supreme Court decision.

Mr. McPeters continued, a sampling of County economic indicators leads to the inescapable conclusion that for the calendar year commencing January 1 and ending December 31, 1975 Macomb County experienced a zero growth posture.

Unemployment statistics still indicate a large number of Macomb County workers still in the line of unemployed awaiting a return to work or a new job.

Mortgage placements for residential housing, as revealed by the Mortgage Brokers Association as well as bank indicators clearly set forth a downward trend in housing starts as well as resale of houses used primarily for residential purposes in 1975.

Building permits issued in our various county communities reveal the same statistics, with one or two exceptions, by in large all county communities experienced a downward trend in activity in all types of housing construction.

Records from our own County Register of Deeds Office discloses a decline in the number of instruments recorded in reference to consumer borrowing and also show a decline in reference to record dates transferring property. Thus it is readily apparent that Macomb County did not experience any inflationary growth factor in 1975, on the contrary the indicators would seem to lead to the conclusion that Macomb County had a negative growth factor for 1975.

In light of this clear evidence, the Board of Commissioners is obligated to disregard isolated sales to assessment studies and instead look to the total overall economic condition of the County of Macomb and accordingly equalize the State Equalized Valuation of this County on the basis of a non-growth or negative growth factor for 1976.

The Board would like to be optimistic concerning the recovery of our economy in 1976, however, the samplings taken by this Board of Commissioners leave but one inescapable conclusion and that is that Macomb County did not experience an inflation growth in 1975.

Mr. McPeters emphasized the fact that the County feels its S.E.V. established by the Board of Commissioners is correct. There was no growth in 1975, adjustments were due intra-county. This special committee (previously outlined) felt it was in the best interest overall for the County to equalize on the basis of 3,181,028,800. Therefore, it was the general consensus of all concerned to clear up some inequities that existed within the County between units of government. That is the work product before the Finance Committee today. Accordingly, there are no factors for Lake Township, Center Line, East Detroit, Fraser, Mt. Clemens, New Baltimore, Roseville, Utica and Warren.

Board Chairman VerKuilen indicated Mr. McPeters has outlined the reasons why they felt this is the approach to take; last year the Board of Commissioners took the

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stand to try and guard our citizens. The method the State is using to determine S.E.V. has been unfair to the County of Macomb. We also read an article in the paper where Mr. Kane said with the department he has, he hasn't been able to do the job in the State he feels he should have been doing. With that in mind, we directed Mr. Schuette to come up with the figures before committee. Last year this tentative report was discussed and it was an edict of the Board that it come before the Board prior to submission to Lansing.

Board Chairman VerKuilen continued, with that we are trying to take care of some inequities in the County and hopefully we will still be triumphant when our case comes before the State Tax Tribunal and, if necessary, the Court of Appeals.

Board Chairman VerKuilen pointed out the school districts have been put on the spot with this by the State saying they will use the State figures rather than what this Board of Commissioners levied. Certainly he doesn't feel that was fair to the school districts and they are still in that spot this year.

Board Chairman VerKuilen emphasized this Board must think of the taxpayer. The school districts wouldn't be in this position if it wasn't for the State insisting on using the State's figures rather than the S.E.V. levied by the Board and the State Statute provides that the S.E.V. established by the Board be used.

Board Chairman VerKuilen pointed out there is no doubt Mr. McPeters will have his hands full trying to convince the State this County is correct in its findings if we go with this report and Board Chairman VerKuilen felt we should, rather than tack on that 15% the State says we should.

At this point in the meeting, Chairman Back stated for the first time in the history of this County the Equalization Sub-committee, which Commissioner Underwood is Chairman, did not meet as a sub-committee but rather because of the importance of this report and pending legislation, Commissioner Underwood felt it was better for the entire Board this year to act as the Equalization Committee. Chairman Back also recalled that last year the Equalization Director sent the rework to Lansing without bringing it first to the Full Board. It was stated last year, by motion, that this report come before the Full Board before it goes to Lansing.

In response to a request by Commissioner Caruso, Mr. Schuette explained the figures on Sheets I, II and III. Sheet I reflects the percent established to redistribute last year's Equalized Value. The factor on this sheet is the result of taking last year's total assessment on real estate and dividing it into the redistribution figure.

Sheet II takes the factor on Sheet I and brings them up to the next point. The personal property factors present no problem because we deal strictly with the forms in this case.

Sheet III reflects a carry-over of the redistributed value plus the total personal property for a Grand Total. As an example, he went through the figures attached to Armada Township.

Commissioner Hramiec asked if some type of action was intended at today's meeting.

Chairman Back reiterated the reason this appears before the Full Committee. He said the intent is to get some kind of action this morning so the Equalization Director will be able to take the report to Lansing. This material was due in Lansing on December 31 and it is now the middle of January.

Commissioner Hramiec said that being the case he would have liked more time in order to discuss this with his assessor and Mr. Schuette as he was sure other Commissioners might want to do. For this reason he thought it might be held in abeyance for another meeting.

Commissioner Hramiec said he is concerned about Clinton Township as he is sure each Commissioner here is concerned about his respective jurisdiction. We are trying to protect the taxpayer, but what is the situation in Clinton Township. How much are those people going to be taxed next year; will they be given additional tax?

Mr. Schuette stated what is before committee will be the County's recommendations, if approved. They are subject to the State's acceptance. With respect to Clinton Township, Board Chairman VerKuilen noted the tentative real property factor is 1.012, the increase in Clinton Township is a little over 1%. The local assessor can elect to round it off to 2%.

Commissioner Hramiec said he is not even happy with a 1% increase and noted the communities receiving no increase. He said 1% may not seem like anything but is something to someone who gets hit every time. Commissioner Hramiec said he wants a negative factor for Clinton Township.

In response to questions by Commissioner Hramiec, Mr. McPeters indicated the County is currently involved in litigation and he believes the County's chances to win that case are good. If we win, it means we won't have to tack on the additional 15% across the board. The tax bills sent to our citizens reflected the S.E.V. as determined the by County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Franchuk stated in looking over the areas comprising his district (he also pointed out that committee is without last year's figures to make an accurate comparison) last year they all raised their assessments considerably, now we come up with factors this year and some are 20% to 30% more.

Mr. Schuette noted we are trying to meet the State halfway; agreeing that there were inequities but not as much as they said, and now we are trying to correct them. In response to direct question, he said he feels this report is conservative.

Commissioner Franchuk asked about next year in light of what's being recommended this year. If we keep this up we will have a taxpayers' revolt, for sure.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh felt it is apparent we will have problems with the State on this report, they will probably try to raise it. He asked Mr. Schuette if he (Mr. Schuette) will defend this report and if he agrees with this report.

Mr. Schuette answered that he does agree with this report.

Commissioner Myslakowski agreed there are some inequities within the County; some communities are assessing at the true rate, others are not. He observed that the intent of this report is then to try and equalize with the County.

Mr. Schuette agreed; this report is based on redistribution which is based on a study including sales ratio and appraisals; sales as relates to residential, and appraisals as relates to commercial, industrial, etc.

Commissioner Myslakowski pointed out the factors range between 31% and negatives. Within this range he asked if it was thought the State would be satisfied that we are trying to correct these things.

Mr. McPeters noted it has been their experience in dealing with the State Tax Commission, the State of Michigan has a vested interest in seeing that these are increased year by year because there are so many tax rebate formulas tied to the S.E.V. It is apparent that they will say we should increase on a yearly basis.

Mr. McPeters continued, we have tried to remedy the inequities pointed out by our local assessors and State Tax Commission. We are trying to spread equity around within the County, to truly equalize with the County and redistribute within the County so there was equality as recommended by the assessors and State Tax Commission.

Commissioner Myslakowski noted the Commissioners haven't had much time to consider this report. He would also like the chance to consult with his assessors. If the assessor feels it is ok, Commissioner Myslakowski said he will favor it.

Chairman Back felt he should clarify something because of several remarks made about meeting with local assessors. While it is important for each Commissioner to maintain a line of communication with their local officials and meet with them often, the responsibility of the assessor in the community is to assess. The Board of Commissioners has a responsibility as relates to the equalization process as statute requires. Chairman Back indicated he is not saying don't meet with your assessor, but rather we must keep these responsibilities of the two (2) units of government very distinct.

Chairman Back continued, we are all concerned with the taxpayers' burden. Last year this Board sent out the Annual Report county-wide and we got back thousands of citizens' responses supporting our stand against the State. This Board of Commissioners has a responsibility to equalize, if our only concern is to accept what the assessors give us, let's send their figures directly to the State and let them hash it out with the State.

Commissioner Trombley noted this is a tentative report. The State may not accept it and we don't know what they might apply to it. Yet here we are justifying and increase in many communities by this report. He pointed out this won't be acceptable to many county residents.

Commissioner Trombley said he knows this has to be done but he can't vote for it in good conscience.

Commissioner McHenry stated he could not accept this report today. He has done so in the past and found himself boxed in because of errors that were discovered. He would have to by-pass it today and make a study of it because of problems encountered in the past. Commissioner McHenry asked if it didn't come out at one of the previous meetings that the cities and townships were using a different schedule than the County.

Mr. Schuette replied the assessors don't use a different set of rules, they all operate out of the same manual. The problem area lies where we had one (1) study approach and the State had another study approach.

Commissioner McCarthy stated it is his understanding the County has no control over millages whether they be city, township or school districts, and these factors within the Equalization Report are tentative but necessary to make sure all townships, villages and cities are assessing equally throughout the County. The northern communities are having a larger factor put on them because evidently they are not and have not been assessing at 50%. Commissioner McCarthy continued, it is the recommendation to this Board that they be equalized and that is the responsibility of the Board. We have no control over the moneys each tax unit pays.

Mr. McPeters stated Commissioner McCarthy's observations were correct.

Commissioner DeGrendel said it is obvious the brunt of this report is shoved at the northern townships. He requested an explanation because the northern communities don't have much commercial or residential development, therefore, the biggest disagreement must be with farm land. As an example, he pointed out Armada Township; there's been little development within that community, it's mostly farmland. By this report you are saying the assessor has been under assessing by 25%. There is a lot of vacant land but the farmer has to make a living off it. Commissioner DeGrendel felt these people can't be assessed at the same level as a small parcel is assessed in the south portion of the County.

Mr. Schuette noted under the Land Use Act farmers are eligible for aide; they get credit for exemption.

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Commissioner DeGrendel said there may be some new residential developments to the north but most homes are 50 or 60 years old.

Mr. Schuette indicated this may be the case but it is all related to sales and sales activities taking place.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated he is not satisfied with the report and will have to vote against it.

Commissioner Hramiec agreed with Commissioner DeGrendel and felt that we have sold the farmer down the river. There was suppose to be some legislation to help the farmer but that was never passed and whatever happened to the legislation that was suppose to help the taxpayer? He pointed out each Commissioner has to meet with our constituents this election year and they will ask us what we have done to cut taxes. What have we done - Commissioner Hramiec said he hasn't seen anything happen. Just that one issue with the farmers, the Legislature never did pass it to help them out. Commissioner Hramiec said he has been through this same thing eight (8) years in a row. He doesn't like even a 1% increase for his people - his assessor says they can live with it but he (Commissioner Hramiec) doesn't want to see it.

Mr. McPeters clarified the fact that there was legislation passed to assist farmers as pointed out by Mr. Schuette.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said it seems this Board is caught in a bind, those with negative factors are for it and those with plus factors against it. The Legislature did pass a law saying if the State Tax Commission raises the S.E.V., the tax rates of cities and townships should be lowered accordingly. The only ones not affected by this is the schools. In this case, Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he feels the Legislature did try to do something. He advised of intending to vote for the report because Warren has a negative factor. He cautioned committee stating if this report is not approved, there is no way we will get a better one. The next one will probably give everyone a factor and raise the factor of those with 1%.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he is not and never has been in favor of raising taxes for anyone without a vote of the people; however, this County won't get a better report to submit than the one before the Committee presently. He reiterated his vote for it but couldn't blame other Commissioners for their concern.

Chairman Back pointed out last year, the State Tax Commission recommended a 15% increase across the board including those areas that had done their job or came close to the 50% point. He indicated time tells all on these things. If this Board of Commissioners doesn't fulfill its responsibility, the State could apply a much greater factor. The result of the decision this Board makes on this date might not show up until June or July but when it shows up, it might reflect poor judgment on our part and if it does then watch a real taxpayers' revolt.

Commissioner Walsh said he dislikes hearing terms used by Commissioners as relates to looking at this report "selfishly" in their support of opposition to it. He pointed out this Board's job is to equalize fairly, not on the basis of what is better for each individual district. He felt this report equalizes taxes fairly rather than selfishly. It's unfortunate some areas haven't had their assessments raised over the years while others have born the brunt. We should look at this as we must - what is fair throughout the entire county. Commissioner Walsh felt this was as fair as we have had it in the last six (6) years he has served on the Board.

Commissioner Grove indicated he has the figures from the State Tax Commission and some communities were under-assessed. He felt relief should be forthcoming to the other communities that were carrying the burden. He agreed with Commissioner Walsh.

Discussion continued and it was decided that a representative of the assessors and educators present should be given an opportunity to speak.

Chairman Back hoped the statements to be made by these spokesmen reflect the opinions of their elected officials in the respective communities and also the School Board's.

Assessor DeBusscher said he couldn't speak for the rest of the assessors or the School Board, but this report is what the assessors were after last year and after one year's time he sees some Commissioners realize their job is to equalize units of government within the County.

Mr. DeBusscher indicated he heard it said we have to do our job internally and this report does what we are looking for. The assessor's responsibility is equalize within our communities, the Board's responsibility to equalize between communities.

Mr. Finlan said he didn't think this Board of Commissioners received a report on the outcome of the school's court case. It was ruled that the school districts are wrong and Mr. Porter was right in using the S.E.V. figures of the State rather than the County's.

Mr. Finlan pointed out this battle, as it's going on, affects the school districts. This is not to be taken as an editorial on the Board's action, it simply shows what the State is not paying the school districts. He advised of having copies of a statistical report reflecting the situation of the school districts and that they would be made available to any Commissioner wishing same. It means the loss of a lot of money, equivalent to half your budget, Mr. Finlan noted. All school districts across the State are in bad shape, but in Macomb County we are in terrible shape.

Mr. Finlan pointed out the problem occurs because the school districts are not being paid state aid for the difference in what we are actually collecting according to the County's S.E.V. levy and what the State says we are collecting according to the S.E.V. they say Macomb County should have.

The losses range from \$35 per child to \$114.65 per child in the South Lake Schools. The State won't give us the money, they say we are collecting it at home but we are not.

Commissioner Hramiec said there have been discrepancies like this for a long time.

Mr. Finlan noted there are some school districts better off than others and getting more State aid, yes.

Board Chairman VerKuilen indicated according to State law, the Board of Commissioners is allowed to set a tentative levy, we did that. The State has chosen to disregard that, if they had used the level set by the County, the problems our schools are facing wouldn't have happened.

Mr. Finlan said he didn't think the Legislature intended for these kinds of losses to happen while an appeal was going on.

Board Chairman VerKuilen said neither could the Board of Commissioners foresee this happening. We must protect our taxpayers, we are committed to that.

Commissioner Johnson felt the Board Chairman made a good point - the Board of Commissioners is not taking action that is anti-schools, it is just that we are caught between the devil and the deep blue sea. He recalled late last year this Board agreed to form a committee with Commissioners and school superintendents for the purpose of working jointly to alleviate some of these problems that may arise. Commissioner Johnson noted there is no easy way out and was glad Mr. Finlan stated the schools' case as he did today. We will have to work some of these things out together, either through legislation or court action.

Chairman Back felt Commissioner Johnson's point was well taken. He indicated the Board Chairman and a spokesman for the schools have met to formulate such a committee toward a joint effort.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABUAGH, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE EQUALIZATION REWORK AS PRESENTED AND APPROVE SUBMISSION OF SAME TO THE STATE.

Commissioner Franchuk noted history records a Civil War between the North and South and now it appears there's going to be another battle shaping up between the North and South in the County. He asked permission for one of the assessors from the North to address committee.

Following some discussion, it was decided that an assessor from the North could address committee even though a motion was on the floor.

Assessor Wagner stated on behalf of Chesterfield Township with the study the way it was done, they can live with it.

Commissioner McHenry noted he has had a chance to caucus with his people from East Detroit and is now able to vote on the issue.

A Roll Call Vote was called on the motion: R. Sabaugh - yes; Walsh - yes; Myslakowski - yes; Underwood - yes; S. Sabaugh - yes; McCarthy - yes; Caruso - yes; Plutter - yes; DeGrendel - no; Franchuk - no; Trombley - no; Daner - yes; Hramiec - no; Bedard - yes; Grove - yes; Zoccola - yes; Tarnowski - yes; McHenry - yes; Back - yes; Johnson - yes; VerKuilen - yes.

THE MOTION CARRIED ON A VOTE OF 17 - YES AND 4 -NO.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Trombley informed committee that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has ruled in the best interest of the State of Michigan and Macomb County in that they have ruled in favor of upholding the State's regulations banning sewage discharge into the Great Lakes from pleasure boats and they have also included shipping interests.

Commissioner Trombley also pointed out in the NACO News there was a feature on the "Guns of Autumn" which was aired by a local TV station. The way in which this program was presented affected a lot of people. All hunters are not as they portrayed them. Along the same lines, a CBS program called "60 Minutes" showed a program on County corruption in a Southern State. It implied this kind of thing goes on in all counties. He felt a letter should be sent from this Board opposing such a portrayal of county officials generally.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Trombley, supported by Bedard, that correspondence be sent to CBS "60 Minutes" program opposing their generalization of corruption in county government with a carbon copy of same to the Executive Director of NACO. Motion carried.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh called to committee's attention a portion of the Governor's State of the State Address in which he proposes that tax monies collected on all new developments assessed within the communities of southeastern Michigan be deposited in a pool and by some formula distributed to all communities including Detroit. He felt this is just another way of the Governor trying to bail out the City of Detroit.

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDDEL, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OPPOSE THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED TAX SHARING PLAN AS OUTLINED IN THE STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS AND THAT OUR OPPOSITION BE SENT BY LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR, OUR STATE SENATORS AND STATE REPRESENTATIVES.

With respect to this topic, Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked Mr. McPeters to report the ramifications of such a proposal to the Full Board at its meeting on Thursday, January 22.

In response to a request by Chairman Back, Mr. McPeters pointed out the Administrative Services Committee performed an in-depth analysis of the Governor's Special Commission on Local Government Report in 1972. At that time the Governor's Commission recommended a regional revenue sharing program, apparently the Governor fulfilled his commitment to bring these recommendations about because here he is requesting it.

Chairman Back noted in 1972 this Board of Commissioners dissected that Governor's Special Commission Report. We knew that one day the Governor would implement that entire document. He has done everything in there thus far, now after the State of the State message, the Governor only has about four more things left within that report to work on. Chairman Back suggested the Administrative Services Committee should re-review this report.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said he agrees with the action the Board is taking on this issue in trying to curb the Governor's plans. He felt the Governor's proposal would eventually lead to the ultimate form of Regional Government. As the Board of Commissioners, we should let the Governor know how we feel.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked in addition to the ramifications of the Governor's tax sharing proposal, if Mr. McPeters will also report on the forecasts of the Administrative Services Committee as relates to that 1972 Governor's Report.

Chairman Back asked that it be placed on the Full Board agenda for Thursday, January 22.

Commissioner Caruso noted if the Governor is so intent on helping the City of Detroit, he would like to ask the Governor where he's been when it comes to helping the suburbs while we are growing. We need roads, bridges, sewer systems, etc. Where are the suburbs going to get the money for these necessities if we start giving the money we are getting now to other areas. Let the City of Detroit start knocking off some of their expenses and they will find enough money to run the police and fire departments. He pointed out every time you turn around the Mayor is hiring or appointing a Special Assistant at \$35,000 per year. Things such as this is where some of the money to save Detroit should come from.

Commissioner Caruso pointed out the County of Macomb is not ever receiving its proper share of the gas tax because it's based on population and they are using the 1970 census figures so Detroit, whose population has dropped is getting more, while Macomb, whose population has increased is not getting enough. We are continually behind on appropriations we should be receiving.

Commissioner DeGrendel said he vigorously disagrees with the Governor's viewpoint. Most suburban residents have moved out of the City for one reason or another. Now because the City is in financial difficulty, they want us to bail them out and in reality we will be paying for things we have already paid for once a second time.

Commissioner Underwood said he has the gas tax figures at home but recalled that the City of Detroit has decreased in population almost 39,000 while Macomb has increased about 60,000 and we are still drawing funds on the 1970 population figures. He also pointed out in the City of Troy a new shopping center is being developed and about 30% of taxes to be collected on that would go to other units of government under the Governor's plan.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

At this point, Commissioner Grove asked Chief Civil Counsel to look into the five (5) year assessing plan known as the "Ohio Plan" to find out how it has worked out. If it has been successful, maybe such a plan could solve our problems.

In response to Commissioner Johnson, Board Chairman VerKuilen stated another meeting will be scheduled with Mr. Finlan in order to draw up some guidelines for the Schools and County Commissioners Committee also for the purpose of getting some recommended individuals to serve on same. That will be implemented immediately.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Zoccola, supported by Trombley to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 A.M. Motion carried.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - JANUARY 20, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. In response to questioning by Commissioner Underwood, Chairman VerKuilen advised that the Correctional Services Coordinator will be necessary to prepare the required forms for LEAA Grants and develop and implement a comprehensive correctional system in the county. Employment could be terminated when the grant funds are exhausted or continued by the county if the Board so desires. As for the ser-

vices that will be provided, if they will be continued or not, I can't answer. Motion was made by Walsh, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Motion supported by Hramiec and carried. Committee report follows:

January 20, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FROM: June Walczak
Assistant Committee Reporter

RE: Judiciary & Public Safety Committee Meeting
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At a meeting of the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee held on January 20, there was discussion by the members on new proposals in regards to top personnel for the Juvenile Court.

Due to the time element of getting this matter before the Full Board meeting to be held on January 22, this report contains a brief discussion, however, the minutes (retained in BOC Office) will reflect the discussion in its entirety.

Committee was in receipt of backup material to substantiate the request of the Juvenile Court, which material consisted of an organizational chart, job descriptions, hearings summary, pending legislation, on-going programs and budgetary costs as prepared by the Controller.

Judge Nowicki proceeded to explain his need for a Court Director and Attorney/Referee. They are presently faced with a situation that mandates a full time attorney on the basis of workload and number of hours needed to adequately supervise and handle the legal aspects of their operation. When the original position of Director-Attorney was formulated, it was done on the basis of fewer number of programs and smaller programs. In the past two years they found such great success with the programs they implemented that they have expanded them to include more children and more parents, and simple logistics indicate that it takes a greater number of hours to direct and supervise these activities. They have had more requests for jury trials and expect this year and in years to follow that more juveniles will be requesting juries, which immediately puts an undue stress on the court to provide due process. Judge Nowicki said they are proposing a change that would afford the people of the community a greater service and more efficient operation at an absolute minimal cost.

Mr. Shore stated that what they were informed of by the court was that all three top level personnel; namely, the Business Administrator, the Court Director and the Attorney/Referee would carry the same wage structure based on the 1975 level of wages. They looked at the total personnel costs and the rates submitted and utilized bringing the salaries of the new positions in conformity with that of the Business Administrator.

Present Juvenile Court Personnel Cost:		\$1,178,180
Deduct:	1 - Court Director	\$27,000
	1 - Intake Officer	<u>17,112</u>
	Total Deduct	\$44,112
Add:	1 - Program Director	\$22,700
	1 - Chief Referee/ Attorney	<u>22,700</u>
		\$45,400
Difference in salary cost		\$ 1,288
Fringe Benefit Cost		<u>352</u>
Total increased cost		<u>1,640</u>
Proposed Juvenile Court Personnel Cost:		\$1,179,820

Commissioner Caruso asked what the salary was of the Assistant Prosecutors were and Mr. Zacharzewski replied that the Assistant Prosecutor salary has a minimum of \$13,900 to \$19,200 and the Attorney III position has a salary of \$18,365 to \$22,700. The minimum of the latter position is \$3,000 higher than the Business Administrator at the Court.

Commissioner Zoccola asked what salary range the new people would be hired in at and Mr. Shore stated that the position would carry the same minimum as the present Business Administrator because the intent was to level the three salaries together.

Judge Nowicki pointed out the starting salary would be determined on whether they could get qualified people at the minimum salary. They may have to request more depending upon the person's experience and qualifications.

Discussion continued, all of which will be detailed in the minutes of this meeting (retained in BOC Office), whereupon the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE PROBATE COURT (JUVENILE DIVISION) IN THE HIRING OF A COURT DIRECTOR AND ATTORNEY/REFEREE AND

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THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION OF LEAA REHABILITATION CORRECTIONAL SERVICES COORDINATOR GRANT

Mr. Nyovich explained that the county has begun construction of the Correctional Rehabilitation Center to expand the physical capacity and rehabilitative services of the jail complex. The 104 bed addition will greatly reduce the present overcrowded condition which continues to worsen. The new facility will necessitate an increased correctional services staff. In an effort to improve the expanding correctional services and to qualify for LEAA funding for a major portion of the additional turnkeys which will be required to operate the Rehabilitation Center, he is requesting a favorable recommendation of the proposed grant.

Mr. Nyovich continued. The primary purpose of the project is to provide a Correctional Services Coordinator for the Macomb County Jail and the proposed Rehabilitation Center. This will provide the initial impetus in the development and implementation of a comprehensive correctional system in the county. Sufficient lead time will be provided to permit the necessary project development and planning to establish a sound correctional rehabilitation program for the inmates of the jail complex. The application will be submitted for the April 1, 1976 funding cycle and initially run for 18 months. The county's 5% cash match of the \$65,960 grant total will be \$3,298.00.

There was detailed discussion on this matter with many pros and cons voiced by members of the committee, which resulted in the following motion: Commissioner Walsh said he would like the motion to be in three parts:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO:

1. THAT THIS COMMITTEE CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW ENFORCEMENT/CIVIL DEFENSE IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE LEAA GRANT FOR THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES COORDINATOR;
2. THAT A SELECTION COMMITTEE BE SET UP FOR THE PICKING OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO WILL BE THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES COORDINATOR, SAID COMMITTEE TO CONSIST OF THE SHERIFF, THE CHAIRMAN OF JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, THE CHAIRMAN OF BUDGET, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND THE DIRECTOR OF LAW ENFORCEMENT; AND
3. TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW ENFORCEMENT/CIVIL DEFENSE IN THE EXPENDITURE BY THE COUNTY OF \$3,298.00 AS THE COUNTY'S MATCH TOWARD THE GRANT. MOTION CARRIED.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENTAL & WELFARE COMMITTEE - JANUARY 21, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this Committee. Commissioner Caruso asked, if the membership of the Substance Abuse Advisory Council is not up to the allowable number as indicated by Mr. Hill, what is going to be done? Chairman VerKuilen advised that this will be discussed at the next HEEW Committee meeting. Motion was made by Zoccola, supported by Johnson, that the report be received, filed and recommendation adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

January 21, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FROM: June Walczak
Assistant Committee Reporter

The Director of Community Mental Health Services, Mr. Hill, explained that the Board of Commissioners at their meeting on January 6, 1976 had requested applications from those individuals seeking appointment to the Macomb County Substance Abuse Advisory Council. New members to the county-wide Substance Abuse Advisory Council can be nominated by the existing membership of the Council, by the County Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency, by the Community Mental Health Services Board and by the Macomb County Board of Commissioners. Final confirmation of Substance Abuse Advisory Council members is, of course, the responsibility of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners.

The current active membership of the Council is 13 members, which is less than the minimum membership stated in the By-Laws which is 15 members. Two of the members terms expired on June 30, 1975; namely David Olson and Richard Sabaugh. (Richard Sabaugh declined appointment and Commissioner Myslakowski submitted his application.) The Substance Abuse Advisory Council and the Office of Substance Abuse compiled a list of prospective Advisory Council candidates for the consideration of the Board of Mental Health Services and those applications are attached. (See 1-22-76 meeint file for applications)

Chairman Johnson asked Mr. Hill what his recommendations were and he replied that he would recommend the one reappointment; namely David Olson and the appointment of Commissioner Myslakowski, along with Charles Clay, J. Russell LaBarge, Jr., Arthur F. Pappert, and Randee K. Jennings. He was recommending the appointment of James W. Varty, but upon noticing that he did not live in the county, asked that his application be held until it could be reviewed. The following motion was then made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVID OLSON,

SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER MYSLAKOWSKI, CHARLES CLAY, J. RUSSELL LA BARGE, JR., ARTHUR F. PAPPERT AND RANDEE K. JENNINGS FOR A THREE YEAR TERM ON THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THAT THE APPLICATION OF JAMES W. VARTY BE HELD FOR FURTHER REVIEW AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

REPORT BY CHIEF CIVIL COUNSEL

Ramifications of Governor's proposed tax sharing program and implementation of Governor's Special Commission on Local Government Report:

Pursuant to request of the Finance Committee, Chief Civil Counsel McPeters reported on Governor Milliken's State of the State message, particularly as it related to his proposed tax sharing plan.

Mr. McPeters referred to the Governor's recommended tax sharing proposals as the "Salvation of Detroit". He explained that the tax revenues collected from new and expanding industrial and commercial development within the seven county southeastern Michigan section, referred to as Region One, would be put in a revenue sharing pot and distributed accordingly to the various communities in that region suffering a declining tax base. 53% of the entire State's population is in that area. The suburbs will be giving the major share of monies collected. He also pointed out that the schools will not suffer a loss.

Civil Counsel advised that the Governor's Special Commission on Local Government recognized that central cities and some older suburbs have suffered from revenue loss due to relocation of taxable enterprise in other parts of a metropolitan area. New enterprises and industries to the area also tend to be located in newly developing communities. Mr. McPeters read a passage from the report issued by said Commission concerning this, "It is recommended that the Governor by Executive Order specifically charge a study group with studying the means available to local governments within a region or a standard metropolitan statistical area to share in the growth of tax revenues within the region or area."

Mr. McPeters stated that the Governor's Special Commission on Local Government Report was released in 1972. The Board of Commissioners at that time did an in-depth analysis of it. The report stressed a regional format of government. Many of the Special Commission's proposals and recommendations have been implemented to date, and the Governor's State of the State address informed of the proposed implementation of his Commission's recommended revenue sharing program. The ultimate result of which will be regional government. A bill to effectuate same is in the hopper right now.

Commissioner Hramiec stated Civil Counsel went over a lot of things very quickly. He asked, when reviewing the report, if Counsel read anything in a public service area about the creation of jobs? It was Commissioner Hramiec's belief that they did not provide the necessary public service jobs that they should have. A lot of people are out of work. The Special Commission members missed the point. There are no non-skilled jobs available. Why didn't the Governor push for something in this area? This particular point was completely missed. Mr. McPeters answered that no, there was nothing in the report concerning this. Commissioner Hramiec continued that the Governor's Special Commission did a bum job. These people would bleed the State. It was wrong.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said that unemployment is a problem. We look to the government, but it's wrong. We ought to do something to make or induce more industry here. Governor Milliken is coming down very strongly on regionalism. Everything he has done so far is to promote it. Including with the City of Detroit. We have fought just about everything concerning this. What more can we do? It's going to be pushed even harder in the years to come. Detroit's crime problem is bringing down their tax base. Now, we see more plans developing to force the suburbs into helping to bail out Detroit of its financial difficulties. Detroit apparently can't take care of itself. Maybe our Inter-Governmental Affairs Sub-Committee can study this report.

Commissioner Back stated that this Board has spent at least fifty meetings on this subject, not counting the many hours time spent by Mr. McPeters. He also referred to a letter from Ben Giampetroni, Planning Department Director, regarding this. I agree we should re-study this report and refer back to past Commission meeting minutes on this and send them to all the Commissioners to refresh on the subject. It would also be a good idea to refer this matter to the Administrative Services Committee for study and information as to how many of the Special Commission's recommendations have been implemented to date and how many will be. I would guess at least seven have been. This whole concept of governmental regionalism, or "creepingism", will have a most devastating effect.

Commissioner McHenry said that we all agree with what has been said so far this morning about regionalism. He then moved that The Governor's Special Commission on Local Government Report be referred to the Administrative Services Committee for study. Motion supported by R. Sabaugh.

Commissioner Dane stressed the fact that this Board has been diametrically opposed to regionalism since the report came out. It's no secret. The most frustrating thing I find as a County Commissioner, is the inability to get the Governor's Office to recognize Macomb County's views on this matter because we are a democratic county and the Governor a republican. We never get a representative on a State wide commission. We do have Macomb County residents on certain commissions but the Board of Commissioners have no choice in representation. We should have. We've complained, written letters and talked to various people with no result. The Governor's Office always answers that they understand, and at some future time..... I resent the fact that the Governor ignores this county in regards to when decisions are made.

Commissioner Johnson concluded that because the Governor spent most of his life in the idyllic city of Traverse City, he thinks all suburbs are wealthy. They are not. This would be a creeping move to destroy the suburbs.

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Commissioner McCarthy indicated that he has read the report in question from cover to cover and truly believes it leans toward socialism. We should look at the Governor's State of the State address with a tie in to revenue sharing and the land use bill. The creeping tanacles of regionalism are coming down on us. Part will be accomplished through Executive Order and part through legislation. It's not hard to understand why the upper peninsula is interested in seceding from the State. We are having pushed down our throats these things we have no control over. How much will the suburbs have to pay for the peace of mind to live there? To bail out a particular community is wrong.

Commissioner Underwood asked Civil Counsel what he feels the Board of Commissioners should do?

Mr. McPeters said the answer lies in the legislative process. We should educate or inform our legislators of our thinking on this matter. The several Commissioners who have just expressed their feelings on this situation have really touched on the heartbeat of this thing. Slowly but surely, in a piecemeal fashion, this thing is becoming law. Civil Counsel further advised that the development of a State planning process with the primary areas of concern being, but not limited to, land use control, a Statewide construction code and housing law is also recommended in the Special Commission's Report.

Commissioner VanderPutten reminded the meeting that in a week or ten days, the MAC Conference will be held in Lansing. He suggested the Board meet with the officials from the surrounding counties to enlighten them on the ramifications of this thing. It will affect them too.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh stated the Governor is ignoring Macomb County. I agree with Mr. McPeters, go with the legislative process. Most of our legislators are democrats. Let's utilize them to the best of our needs. We have denounced regionalism and yet our legislators have done nothing. Let's use our Legislative Aide for this.

R. Sabaugh said, as the supporter of the motion, he is asking Mr. McHenry, the maker of the motion on the floor, to include in his motion that the Administrative Services Committee be specifically charged with coming up with a plan of attack on this regionalism problem. Mr. McHenry concurred.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated the Governor can make all the recommendations he wants but the legislature has the power to make it law.

Mr. McHenry remarked that a lot is being done by Executive Order. It's irritating.

Chairman VerKuilen said everyone must remember that the printing costs alone, to advise the surrounding counties of the effects this regionalism thing could have, must have been about \$5,000.00. Since the creation of SEMCOG, land use bill, tax sharing thing, etc., we have stood practically alone in trying to tell everyone to "wake up". No one has fought harder than us on this. We already have corss-county programs...why regionalism? I must commend every Commissioner here, we haven't given up our fight in the past eight years. 96% of the people in St. Clair Shores on an advisory question regarding regionalism were opposed to it. Frustrating or not, we will continue to fight this creeping form of government.

The Chairman then restated the motion on the floor for vote of the membership:

Motion by McHenry, supported by R. Sabaugh, that the Governor's Special Commission on Local Government Report be referred to the Administrative Services Committee for study, and they be specifically charged with coming up with a plan of attack on the Governor's regionalism plan.

Ayes all and the motion carried.

Commissioner Back offered for consideration, that this Board of Commissioners at the MAC Conference, as an agenda item or off the floor, bring the Governor's regionalism plan to the conference's attention. Let's get the State association we belong to to get more involved and stated so in their newspaper. Perhaps a publication or position paper of our own regarding this regionalism plan would be enlightening and beneficial.

Chairman VerKuilen believed a "position paper" would be a very good idea.

It was Commissioner Tomlinson's belief that this paper should not only be distributed to the MAC people, but handed out and discussed with them. Maybe 300 copies.

Commissioner Dane concurred with Back and Tomlinson. We should try to have something prepared for the conference. It's too late to submit this as an agenda item, but let's talk to them. If we have to, let's call a conference ourselves and invite the people and legislators. Something is needed in writing. Let's compile a comprehensive report and discussion. If necessary, we'll hold a conference after the MAC Conference.

The Chairman questioned the Board's pleasure as to what the position paper should consist of? SEMCOG, regional government, Governor's Special Commission's Report or what?

Commissioner Back advised hitting the taxation point of the Special Commission's Report and anything else dealing with creeping regionalism. I agree with Commissioner Dane, we need a well thought out paper. Let's invite the Governor down too, to discuss this with him. Ask him to pick a date in the next three, four or five months when he will be available to meet. This is so important.

Commissioner Tarnowski asked how close are we to having revenue sharing taxation implemented? Can Seantor Bowman tie it up in his committee?

Civil Counsel replied that this bill will undoubtedly not go to Bowman's committee. He has publicly stated it would not get out of his committee and therefore, I can only conclude it will not be sent there.

Commissioner DeGrendel suggested the invitation be also extended to Senator Fitzgerald and Representative Ryan who also share the Governor's views.

Commissioner Dane requested a list of the Commissioners who are planning to attend the conference in Lansing. Numbers count. I hope many, if not all the Commissioners are going.

Chairman VerKuilen stated he would try to have the requested position paper available by the MAC Conference meeting date of February 1.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments were made:

HEALTH BOARD

(5 year term - 1 vacancy)

An application for reappointment was received from Biruta M. Price. Motion by Trombley, supported by VanderPutten, that Biruta M. Price be reappointed to serve a 5 year term on the Macomb County Health Board. Ayes all, motion carried.

LIBRARY BOARD

(5 year term - 1 vacancy)

An application for reappointment to this Commission was received from Harold E. LeFevre. Motion by McCarthy, supported by Myslakowski, that Harold E. LeFevre be reappointed to serve a 5 year term on the Macomb County Library Board. Ayes all, motion carried.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

(3 year term - 2 vacancies)

Applications for appointment to this Commission were received from Ray W. Brandenburg, Stanley B. Maison and Goerge H. VanMarcke. On roll call vote, Mr. VanMarcke received 23 votes, Mr. Maison received 20 votes and Mr. Brandenburg received 3 votes. Motion was made by Myslakowski, that Stanley B. Maison and George H. VanMarcke be appointed to each serve a 3 year term on the Macomb County Parks & Recreation Commission and a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Ray Brandenburg for his prior service on that commission. Motion supported by Tarnowski. Ayes all and motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

(3 vacancies - 3 applications)

Applications for reappointment to this Commission were received from Willard D. Back, Walter Franchuk and Robert A. VerKuilen. Motion was made by Zoccola, supported by VanderPutten, that these gentlemen be reappointed to serve on the Macomb County Planning Commission. Ayes all and motion carried.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMISSION

(4 year term - 1 vacancy)

Howard A. Reinhart submitted an application for reappointment. Motion by Tomlinson, supported by VanderPutten, that Howard A. Reinhart be reappointed to serve a 4 year term as the World War I representative on the Macomb County Veterans' Affairs Commission. Ayes all, motion carried.

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

(3 year term - 4 vacancies)

In compliance with P. A. 258 of 1974, Chairman VerKuilen submitted a list of recommended appointments to the Community Mental Health Services Board, with formal applications also being received. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by VanderPutten, to concur in the recommendation of the Chairman to reappoint Gerald W. Morris, M. D., Raymond Glowski, Fred K. McDaniel and A. Thomas Winterfield to each serve a 3 year term on the Macomb County Community Mental Health Services Board. Ayes all and motion carried.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL

(3 year term)

See Health, Education, Environmental & Welfare Committee meeting of January 21, 1976 for recommendation for Macomb County Substance Abuse Advisory Council appointments as adopted by the Board of Commissioners.

1976 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Each member had received a copy of the Chairman's 1976 Committee assignments. During discussion, several Commissioners requested assignment to various committees to which the Chairman concurred. The names of two individuals were removed from the Bicentennial Special Committee as they had indicated their inability to serve at this time.

Commissioner Franchuk indicated concern that the membership of the Fire Training Advisory Council did not include a volunteer fire department representative, as is the case in the fire departments operating in the northern end of the County. Mr. Franchuk was requested to find someone in that capacity who would be interested to serve on said Council and he would be assigned.

Chairman VerKuilen advised that the membership on the School/County Legislative Review Committee will have equal representation of six members each, from the Board of Commissioners and the county's various school districts as selected by them.

Motion was made by Walsh, supported by Franchuk, that the Board Chairman's 1976 Committee assignments incorporating the several additions and/or deletions made, be approved and adopted. Ayes all and motion carried.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner R. Sabaugh questioned if it would be permissible for this Board to also do what the Roseville City Council has done regarding the offering of a monetary reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the recently murdered girl in that city. Perhaps a \$2,000.00 reward by this Board.

Civil Counsel answered he did not know, he would have to review this.

Commissioner Bedard pointed out that this is the second time in 90 days that a young girl has been killed in Macomb County. Reference was then made to the yet unsolved murder of a 17 year old St. Clair Shores resident.

Commissioner Grove stated that no one is more concerned than he on this recent murder. My daughter was personally acquainted with Cynthia Cadieux. Will we be setting a precedent though and be getting in over our heads?

Commissioner Caruso believed, in the last several years, there has been four or five murders of this type. As an incentive, maybe the Board should consider the allocation of money each year and set up a reward system. Particularly concerning the murder of young people. The Board or a Committee can review each such case for reward recommendation.

Commissioner Underwood felt the \$2,000.00 reward might be starting high. He suggested \$1,000.00.

Motion was made by R. Sabaugh, that the Board of Commissioners offer a \$2,000.00 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killer or killers of Cynthia Cadieux and Donna Serra, and not to include someone in the law enforcement field. Motion supported by Bedard. Ayes all, motion carried.

The Chairman believed the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee should review this recommendation along with the setting up of a reward system.

Motion was made by Back, supported by Trombley, that both questions be referred to the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee for review and recommendation. Ayes all, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Zoccola, that the meeting adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M.


ROBERT A. VER KULLEN, CHAIRMAN


EDNA MILLER, CLERK

FEBRUARY 27, 1976

A Regular Meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Friday, February 27, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M. and the following members were present when the Clerk called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur J. Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

A quorum of the membership present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

AGENDA

Correspondence from Macomb County Department of Veterans' Affairs was added as item 6b to the agenda and item 7k was moved to 7a.

Motion was made by VanderPutten, that the agenda as amended be adopted. Support by McCarthy and carried.

MINUTES--JANUARY 22, 1976

The minutes of the meeting held January 22, 1976 had been previously forwarded to each Commissioner and, there being no objections or corrections, motion was made by Trombley supported by Franchuk, that they be approved as presented. Ayes all and motion carried.

APPEARANCE OF SENATOR JOHN T. BOWMAN

Senator John Bowman requested appearance before the Board to discuss with the Commissioners the proposal before the Senate, namely Senate Bill 931, concerning the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority (SEMTA) and the method of funding said authority.

The Senator also advised the Senate bill would effect levying a \$10.00 tax on automobiles. As a counter proposal, the property transfer tax bill which would be confined to Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties only of the seven county southeastern Michigan section, would increase 1,000% the property transfer tax in those counties only. This tax presently amounts to 55¢ on every \$500.00 of property sold.

A Democratic caucus was recently held and word is, if I don't move on this bill, another will be introduced and sent to the Committee on Highways & Transportation and apparently the necessary votes are lined up for this.

Senator Bowman continued, some form of mass transit is necessary for our citizens, but are we to be forced to fund something that is undesirable to us.

I am here seeking you as an ally in a common goal and insist that Macomb County be treated with respect and courtesy in all things including taxation. They ganged-up on some of us and I don't know what the outcome will be.

Macomb County is a member of SEMTA because of a legislative act. You still can choose to belong or not. Although I'm not telling you to withdraw from SEMTA, which would require a 2/3 vote of your body, I want you to know the options you have. As an example, the Senator advised that some of the money used for dial-a-ride is not under the control of SEMTA but the Highway Department under the coordination of SEMTA.

I'm not here to appeal to you to do anything. I do believe though that the costs to construct any type of mass transit system should be spread statewide and not just on a small segment of our society. I'm as progressive as anyone, but "the end justified the means" is wrong. In SEMTA's anxiety to get more money, they're going for anything.

Senator Bowman questioned, does Macomb County incline to exercise what options they have? To protest? To insist they have a strong voice if they choose to remain in SEMTA?

If you decide to stay in the game (remain a member of SEMTA), insist on an equal part. The legislature should not have all the control or call all the shots.

Commissioner VanderPutten also stressed his opposition to the property transfer tax bill. It was his opinion that Senator Plawecki's bill (S.B.931) would eventually get everyone.

Senator Bowman reminded the Board that in February, 1973 the gas tax (1/2¢ on \$1,000.00) was passed for public transportation. The estimated figure on this fund is sixty-nine million

dollars by June, 1976. Macomb County's participation will be five million dollars that our citizens have paid into that fund. SEMTA will have received forty-one million dollars. Accordingly, I think we should have a stronger voice.

I don't like, Senator Bowman continued, SEMCOG making appointments to SEMTA. I think most of you don't like that either. One bureaucracy making appointments to another bureaucracy I think is wrong.

Commissioner Back moved to refer this matter to the Public Works & Transportation Committee for study and recommendation. Motion supported by Johnson.

Commissioner Back continued, we have already studied this. We should not be stampeded. We should provide a forum for the people to speak. A chance for a representative group of people to have a vehicle in which to voice their opinions on this. The Board should provide this vehicle. It's been in the Senate and the House and discussed by various groups of people including this Board. With the luxury of time we have on this issue, let the people voice their views. I would like to see the PWT Committee serve as this vehicle and maybe get some expert testimony at a forum or public hearing and obtain intelligent discussion on this matter. The issue of the day, I believe, is for some kind of transportation for those who need it in the county.

Senator Bowman informed the Board that the Speaker of the House spoke to him last week and questioned the Senator's position on this proposed funding for SEMTA. I can't go with it (S.B.931), it's too repugnant. I told the Speaker I would talk to the people in my county and report back to him. The situation here is serious enough that something be done or I move on this very soon. I will not take action in my committee until I hear from you.

Commissioner Back reiterated that this has been played with in the both the Senate and the House and you (Senator Bowman) indicated you are waiting for us, which is fine, but let's get to the public too.

Senator Bowman responded that SEMTA is saying if we don't get a bill for funding we will loose out on money. The Federal Government isn't going to build anymore subways...it's too expensive. Why then should our citizens be taxed for more that SEMTA programs require. This would be an exorbitant tax on a small number (three) of the seven partners (seven counties) of SEMTA.

Commissioner Walsh asked if it would be redundant to refer this matter to a Committee again when we already know these things concerning SEMTA. I would be in favor that we want some representation and control on the SEMTA Board but I don't believe we need a public hearing. We know how our people and constituents feel on this. Let's tell Senator Bowman today. I would so move if it's in order. Commissioner Walsh was advised it would not be in order as there is a motion on the floor.

Commissioner Caruso stated, we're hurting the people by waiting. I agree, let's act today, this Plawecki bill (S.B.931) is outrageous. I'm completely against it. In reference, Commissioner Caruso cited the Mackinac Bridge construction and the fact that everyone (state-wide) paid for it. Now, we need and they say no. I would make a motion to table Commissioner Back's motion to refer this matter to the PWT Committee.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh concurred, we've already taken the position against it. I would like to publicly congratulate you Senator Bowman, for your gutsy stand against this bill. Everyone says "means" but what about "ends". Subways to Detroit are ridiculous. People have already said they're opposed to this. The end just doesn't justify. Candidates running against the government are winning, as indicated in the recent New Hampshire election. The legislators are not listening with their ears to the ground. Let's tell Senator Bowman now that we're against this. Commissioner Sabaugh again commended the Senator and requested he keep up the good work as there are some people who believe he is doing a good job.

Commissioner Bedard stated, this get's my goat. SEMTA literally thumbed their noses at us in Clinton Township. Senator Bowman straightened it out for us. They send us stuff in the mail which is completely contradictory.

Commissioner Tarnowski also stated that this item has been taken up a number of times and if it must go back to a committee, then a Special Full Board. I'm ready to vote on it now. The people in Macomb County will be paying double...I want action taken now.

Commissioner McHenry advised of meetings held with Oakland County and others where it was stressed that the State should share the costs on this and not just the tri-county area.

Commissioner Gavin stated the Board took firm action on July 22, 1975 when we testified before Senator Bowman's committee as well as others. We're against Senate Bill 931. I don't mean to criticize, but if there is pressure on you Senator, state so.

Senator Bowman reiterated, if Macomb County is going to be a part of SEMTA, be a big voice and vote. They weren't going to allow this until we said we would hold this bill up in committee. If Macomb County wants to be a part of the action then stand up and do it or you will get nothing. Dial-a-ride and various other programs will not be affected...don't be bullied. SEMTA people and others are turning the screws on you. I would like to see a proposition that's a little more fair, that we not be treated like second class citizens.

Commissioner Gavin repeated that members of this Board have already talked or testified before your committee several times on this matter. In doing so, I got the feeling we were being played down. We have answered you. We've gone on record opposing Senate Bill 931.

The Senator indicated to Mr. Gavin that they are not buying any alternatives. I don't care what you want, they've got the votes.

Commissioner Back stated he wished to clarify the intent of his motion and discussion. It is not concerning Senate Bill 931, as apparently many of the Commissioners are of the impression it was. My point or motion is as it relates to whether we are going to remain a member of SEMTA or by a 2/3's vote get out. How would it better benefit Macomb County on this? Do we have the tempo of the people on this? The issue is not S.B.931 but SEMTA.

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Chairman VerKuilen questioned what affect withdrawal from SEMTA would have on several of the county's projects as, METS (Macomb Essential Transportation Service), dial-a-ride, the bus line running up Jefferson Avenue, etc. He believed by referring this to the PWT Committee for review of the possible ramifications of this would clarify and enlighten. He further believed that the taxes people are already paying (gas tax) should guarantee these things.

Senator Bowman concurred with the Chairman and advised that the gas tax money is and will be available to Macomb County. He further advised that the Board move expeditiously but knowledgeably. Somebody someplace should be put on notice that Macomb County is here to stay and not to be monkeyed around with. Commissioner Back makes sense when he suggests that the people be heard on this. It's healthy that we've met, just advise me of your decision on this matter. If we're united we're strong.

Commissioner Caruso stated that he misinterpreted Commissioner Back' motion. I would withdraw my motion to table his. He asked Senator Bowman if Macomb County withdraws from SEMTA and this bill (S.B.931) is passed, do we still pay (property transfer tax)? The Senator answered no.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh advised of a METS meeting he attended and a fact he realized that most mass transit money is absorbed by administration. We're going no where. He then called for a question on the motion.

After further discussion, Senator Bowman advised that he was not suggesting that the Board withdraw from SEMTA. I merely indicated the options you have.

Commissioner Dane stated southeastern Michigan is not a colony of the State. The tax should be spread throughout the entire State.

Senator Bowman agreed and hoped the Board would provide the stimulus for same.

Commissioner Grove indicated his concern for the effects of withdrawal from SEMTA.

The Board Chairman again stated the question is what do we have coming for that 1/2¢ on \$1,000.00 (gas tax)?

Chairman VerKuilen repeated the motion on the floor, that this matter be referred to the Public Works & Transportation committee for study and recommendation, and called for a question on the motion. Ayes all and the motion carried.

Commissioner Walsh moved, to reiterate the Board of Commissioners' stand, we commend John Bowman and the other legislators and request they continue to fight to keep Macomb County from being boxed in with respect to Senate Bill 931. Motion supported by Plutter. Ayes all, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Warren City Councilman, L. Klimecki Dannis on behalf of the Warren City Council, advised of "Anti-Bussing Day" to be held April 24, 1976 in that city. Motion was made by McCarthy, to receive and file said correspondence and offer to support them and designate April 24, 1976 as Anti-Bussing Day in Macomb County. Support by Bedard. Ayes all and motion was unanimously adopted.

Forwarded by Kenneth V. Eisenberger, Director of Macomb County Department of Veterans' Affairs, was a report of expenditures by the Veterans Administration and State in Macomb County for the fiscal year 1975. Motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by VanderPutten, to receive and file said report. Ayes all, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SCHOOL/COUNTY COMMITTEE ON TAXATION - FEBRUARY 25, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this Committee. Commissioner Johnson moved, that the report be received, filed and the recommendation adopted, also, that the 5 day rule be suspended so proposed legislation submitted for consideration by this Committee can be discussed today. Motion supported by VanderPutten and carried. Commissioner Johnson introduced Dr. Robert Lutz, Superintendent of Macomb Intermediate School District. Dr. Lutz briefly outlined the Committee's discussion and action and advised of their agreement on two of three items; 1) State aid bill revision including willingness of legislature to pass it 2) Tax Tribunal is not to be played with. He further indicated, it was the Committee's hope to present the proposed legislation (attached to Committee's report) as a group to the legislators to move through. It was stressed, that what is being discussed is Senate Bill 1158 as presented by Committee now and recorded as proposed legislation. Motion was made by Hramiec, supported by Franchuk, to concur with the proposed legislation and refer same to the Legislative Subcommittee for action. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners

From: Patrick J. Johnson, Chairman
School/County Committee on Taxation

Dr. Robert Lutz, Chairman
School/County Committee on Taxation

Subject: Joint Committee meeting of February 25, 1976

At a joint meeting held this day in the Board room of the Macomb County Intermediate School District the following individuals were present:

County Commissioners

Patrick Johnson	Harold Grove
H.J. VanderPutten	Ray DeGrendel
John C. Hramiec	

School Representatives

Dr. Robert Lutz Frank Mayer
Robert Reed Charles Grove
Jack Hamm William Finlan
Fred V. Pankow

Also present

Ray McPeters, Chief Civil Counsel
Marilyn Maloney, Macomb Daily
James Tittsworth, Detroit News

After considerable discussion, the following action was taken:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PANKOW, SUPPORTED BY JOHNSON, THAT THE SCHOOL/COUNTY COMMITTEE ON TAXATION RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR APPROVAL AND SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING LEGISLATIVE ITEMS:

(A) SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1158

(B) SUPPORT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION AMENDING THE TAX TRIBUNAL ACT TO REQUIRE THE TRIBUNAL TO DISPOSE OF ALL EQUALIZATION APPEALS WITHIN 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FILING AND IN DEFAULT THEREOF, THE EQUALIZATION TO BE AS ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND STATE AID TO BE DISBURSED ACCORDINGLY.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - JANUARY 27, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendation made by this Committee and motion was made by McCarthy, supported by S. Sabaugh, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held on Tuesday, January 27, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners Conference Room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Trombley, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were Commissioners Gavin, Myslakowski, R. Sabaugh and Tomlinson, all of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joseph Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:32 A.M. by Chairman Back.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was in receipt of the semi-monthly bills as prepared and previously mailed by the Controller's Office. A review of the bills was conducted and questions were raised on several vouchers, including but not limited to the following:

Page 1, Voucher 13-608 Gulf Oil Corp. - \$3,603.80
Gasoline inventory

Commissioner VanderPutten indicated that Gulf Oil Corp. is terminating its business in Michigan. He thought in the future the county should look at doing business with corporations who are willing to do business in the county and in Michigan.

Page 1, Voucher 13-613 Haycock Rice & Association - \$6,235.11
Receivables due; and
Voucher 13-618 H. V. Burton Co. - \$5,436.00
Due from Medical Care Facility Building

Dave Diegel explained that the first voucher was a short term bond and the second voucher was previously approved by the Public Works & Transportation Committee and the Full Board in August. The county is paying the bill and billing Martha T. Berry.

Page 3 - Commissioner VanderPutten questioned several bills for the purchase of law books. He offered a motion to withhold payment of the invoices dealing with the purchase of law books until a study has been made as to the number of books purchased and where the books are being placed. He pointed out that the Judge has his own library, the Prosecutor's Office and the Friend of the Court have their own libraries and he was of the opinion that one set of books or two sets of books for the whole building should be sufficient.

Chairman Back said he can understand Commissioner VanderPutten's request but didn't think it advisable to withhold payment on books that are already in the building.

Commissioner VanderPutten said in the future some sort of policy should be set on how many duplications of books are in the building. He stated that inasmuch as the books are already in the building he would approve the payment of the bills. He then made the following motion:

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by S. Sabaugh, to request that Sam Crimando review the procedure used in ordering various books for the law libraries in the building with a report to be brought before the next meeting of this committee. Motion carried.

Page 4, Voucher 13-592 Doubleday Bros. Co. - \$131.86
Printing

Dave Diegel explained that this bill was for the printing of Will envelopes used by the Probate Court for the storage of Wills.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh pointed out Guy Brown of the Probation Department has not submitted a mileage report and was under the impression from the reading of the previous of the Finance proceedings that he received a monthly mileage allotment. He asked if there was a list of previous bills for mileage from this individual (said bills covering the period before he was on the Board) and Mr. Diegel said he could see this listing by going to his office.

Page 6, Voucher 594, Eastman Kodak \$818.00 - 100 rolls microfilm
Page 7, Voucher 595, Eastman Kodak \$466.00 - 100 rolls microfilm

Commissioner McCarthy asked about the difference in price and Dave Diegel explained that voucher 13-594 was for 34 mm film; while voucher 13-595 was for 16 mm film.

Page 8, Voucher 13-561 August Casier - \$1,385.28
Carpet cleaning

Commissioner Zoccola asked how many feet of carpeting was cleaned and Dave Diegel advised that there was 3,470 feet in the Health Department area and 13,846 in the Social Services area.

Page 20, Voucher 1-70 Bi-centennial \$90.54 Expenses
December 1975

Commissioner Grove questioned this voucher and was advised that it was for a Christmas tree and ornaments and asked where the tree was now.

Dave Diegel stated that it is stored someplace in the county building and agreed to find out where.

Page 18, Voucher 1-15 American Legion Post \$500.00 rent
401 N. Groesbeck, January

Dave Diegel explained that they originally had authority to rent two posts for the Social Services Department and said he would check with the Director of Social Services regarding this invoice.

Page 24, Voucher 13-139 Martha T. Berry Hospital \$1,251.00
Laboratory work, November 1975

Dave Diegel explained that Martha T. Berry does a lot of lab work for the Health Department.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$220,497.99 (WITH CORRECTIONS AND/OR DELETIONS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; AND, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 22, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$617,562.62; FURTHER THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dane, supported by Grove, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 A.M. Motion carried.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee
Reporter

Commissioner Walsh moved, that in the interest of time, the Board of Commissioners act as read the remainder of the Committee reports, except for Health, Education, Environmental & Welfare of February 18, 1976, and they be received, filed and all recommendations adopted. Motion supported by McCarthy. Ayes all except Commissioner DeGrendel who voted no. The motion carried.

Commissioner DeGrendel pointed out a typographical error in the monetary amount listed for partitions in the Public Works & Transportation Committee's second recommendation of January 29, 1976. The price was corrected to read \$6,000.00.

Commissioner Dane requested the record indicate abstained votes by himself on Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting reports of January 29 and February 26, 1976.

Commissioner Underwood questioned legal counsel if adoption in one motion of all the Committee reports would be illegal.

Civil Counsel Blomberg answered no, it would not, as all the Commissioners had a chance to review these reports and are therefore apprised of their contents before adoption.

The following Committee reports were received, filed and their recommendations adopted:

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - JANUARY 29, 1976

Commissioner Dane abstained from voting on the adoption of this Committee's recommendations (see above). Committee report follows:

Report of the
Public Works & Transportation Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee, held on Thursday, January 29, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners Conference Room, the following members were present:

Trombley-Chairman, Gavin, Bedard, Caruso, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, R.Sabaugh, Tomlinson, Underwood, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Also present:

Joe Perry, Road Commissioner
Ed Platt, Road Commission
Bob Nyovich, Director Law Enforcement/Civil Defense
Richard Guddeck, Purchasing Agent
John Shore, County Controller
Robert Maeder, Director Facilities & Operations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 A.M. by the Chairman.

DISCUSSION REGARDING CAR FOR COUNTY TREASURER

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the County Treasurer explaining his need for a standard size car. The original request was referred back to this committee for further review.

Commissioner Zoccola said he didn't think the Treasurer's request was out of line. His job necessitates his taking people to Lansing or out to lunch and he is in need of a bigger car and made the following motion:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE TRADE-IN OF THE COUNTY TREASURER'S VEHICLE AND ALLOW THE COUNTY TREASURER TO PURCHASE THE VEHICLE OF HIS CHOICE PROVIDED THAT HE PAYS THE DIFFERENCE IN COST BETWEEN THE PURCHASE PRICE AND THE ALLOWANCE OF \$2,953.55. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Caruso said he is in full agreement with compact cars. The Chevrolet Impala is the smallest car they make. Adam is a big man and as long as he pays the difference in price he is in favor of giving him the type of car he wants.

REQUEST FOR PARTITIONS

A request regarding partitions for various departments of the county was referred by the last meeting of this committee to the Building and Grounds Sub-committee for study. That committee visually inspected the areas requiring partitions. In these particular cases, because of the nature of the business going on, the committee felt that partitions should go all the way to the ceiling. The departments requesting the partitions are Cooperative Extension, Mental Health, on the 5th and 6th floors and Labor Relations. The total lineal footage required would be 152 lineal feet. The approximate cost for said footage, including seven doors and hardware, would be \$6,000.00.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF PARTITIONS TO ACCOMMODATE FUNCTIONS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY BUILDING, AT A COST OF \$6,000.00 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

REFERRAL FROM HEALTH, EDUCATION ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE
RE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NITROUS OXIDE UNIT FOR DENTAL PROGRAM

Committee was in receipt of a request from the Health Department for the purchase of a Nitrous Oxide Unit for use in the operating room of the Mount Clemens dental clinic. Nitrous Oxide is administered in controlled amounts to tranquilize patients who suffer from anxiety and fear of dentistry. The cost of the unit is expected to be \$875 with installation expenses of about \$125 making a total of \$1,000.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE PURCHASE OF A NITROUS OXIDE UNIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$875.00 PLUS

INSTALLATION EXPENSES OF \$125.00 FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,000.00 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM CONTROLLER REGARDING
CLINTON TOWNSHIP REQUEST FOR COURTROOM FURNITURE

Mr. Shore said that since the request was received for the purchase of the courtroom furniture, he has talked with Judge Deneweth and he has indicated that there are many times where an additional courtroom will be necessary and he would like to see him maintain the courtroom on the 10th floor and give it to Workman's Comp. If the court requires that courtroom they could utilize it. They do have one Judge's bench that they built for Workman's Comp people and would not like to see it sold. He said he would like to amend what he said in the letter and perhaps lease it or loan it to the Township until such time that they could build one themselves and then store it. In the event they would need that courtroom for the court of for Workman's Comp it would be available. It would not hurt to set up a small courtroom in the future for small hearings.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AND LEAVE THE COURTROOM AS IS ON THE 10TH FLOOR IN THE COUNTY BUILDING AND NEGOTIATE A LOAN OR LEASE OF THE JUDGE'S BENCH PRESENTLY BEING USED BY WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

CHANGE ORDER - REHABILITATION CENTER

Mr. Maeder, Director of Facilities & Operations explained that the change order of F. H. Martin Co. at the Rehabilitation Center resulted in a reduction in the contract sum of \$1,290.50; this being brought about by the cost of pull-out tests on dowels which replaced dowels that were originally improperly placed or were omitted when the reinforcing was originally put up.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 8 OF F.H. MARTIN COMPANY WITH REGARD TO THE REHABILITATION CENTER IN A REDUCED AMOUNT OF \$1,290.50 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

CHANGE ORDER - PALMER SMITH COMPANY
REHABILITATION CENTER

Mr. Maeder explained that the reason for the increase in the original contract was that the architect had specified vitreous china toilets in the jail. It has been their experience when you put that kind of toilet in a jail, they break them. He requested the architect to change the fixtures to cast aluminum.

Mr. Maeder continued. There was one other change that he requested. They had access boxes to the plumbing located in the toilet rooms. Everyone in the facility had access to the toilet rooms. They don't want the prisoners ripping the access doors and tearing out the plumbing. They have asked that the doors be placed in the one cell adjacent to the toilet rooms so that if anything did happen there would be only one person held responsible and they would know what inmate did the damage.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS TO INCREASE THE NET CONTRACT COST TO PALMER SMITH COMPANY BY AN AMOUNT OF \$2,701.00 TO COVER THE DIFFERENCE IN COST OF CAST ALUMINUM FIXTURES AND VITREOUS CHINA FIXTURES AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

INVOICE - THOMAS STRAT & ASSOCIATES

Mr. Nyovich explained that the invoice from Thomas Strat in the amount of \$3,798.67 was necessitated by his assistance in developing the necessary data for the county's grant application to ERDA.

Mr. Nyovich said he would like to give a history of the events which lead up to this. Based upon the leadership of this committee, the Controller and himself were authorized to work with Thomas Strat to pursue the possibility of getting federal funds to help defray the cost of solar energy. They went to Washington where the feds explained the guidelines, etc. Based on that, they came back and reported to this committee, who authorized them to submit a grant application to the government. Based upon that, they put together the grant application. The data necessary for the grant application had to come from an electrical engineer. The application was put together quickly because of the time restrictions.

Mr. Nyovich continued. Based upon the amount of time they thought it would take, Strat gave them an estimate of about \$2,100 to provide the data. One of the major factors in getting the grant is having the correct data. Strat sent his bill to the Board for \$2,746 for the amount of time he had his men spend putting the information together. The difference in the estimate and what it cost was approximately \$600. The only explanation he can offer is that they initially did not know the complete complexity of the data necessary. In order to give Washington the correct information, they were asked to provide that high quality of data they wanted. As of now, the grant is still being reviewed. There have been no rewards made. One of the reasons it takes time is because of the complexity of the data in it.

Commissioner McHenry said the reason he voted to table this in the first place was because there were some questions he had. It is a lot of hours. There are 115 hours of high technical time in there to put a grant together. He thought most of that work

would have taken place at the time this matter was first discussed. He said he can't see the hours or the computer time.

Mr. Nyovich said Strat had to run out certain types of equations that the government wanted on certain projections. A lot of the data and prognosis that the feds wanted were not part of Strat's original projections. The feds are very heavy on evaluations. They are setting up very detailed evaluations and putting it out to some of the trades and saying look what this county has done. They asked for a lot of factors that if you were not applying for federal funds you wouldn't have to furnish.

Mr. Shore stated that part of the grant is not only for the panels, but the federal government requires that certain monitoring equipment be built into the building. That is part of the grant. In order to apply for the grant, we had to get additional information.

Mr. Nyovich pointed out that they had to get information on what types of monitoring equipment they would install. It is a new area. The grant is for one-quarter of a million dollars. They needed the technical data to ask for the grant. If we do get the grant, they will require a good deal of evaluation.

Commissioner Zoccola said, in looking through the book that Strat prepared, 75% of it was stuff that was presented to the committee in order to influence it to go into solar energy. The question he had at the beginning was that \$3,700 in costs to prepare this is outrageous. He said he can't see much more in the book than was presented to the committee to help make up their minds to go into the program in the first place.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said the only no vote for the solar energy program was his. He said he didn't think the county would get the grant. It is experimental. They won't give it to anyone in Michigan because we don't have the proper environment for this. He said he didn't think it would cost \$3,700 to apply for a grant, 75% of which is information that was presented to committee before. No technical staff of the county has had any input in this. Once you put in equipment, you need personnel. He said he is voting against this.

Mr. Shore said that the federal government indicated in any application for a grant they are interested in how the thing is working as they are attempting to assist in the creation of an industry for solar energy. This county could not get a grant unless it agreed to put the equipment in and monitor it. What they are trying to do is get some of the cost for the building of the facility. We are saying, we will monitor it for you, you give us the manpower for a year and give us the equipment. If you pay for this and help pay part of the cost to the county, we will go ahead and do it.

Mr. Nyovich pointed out that once the county has the equipment it is ours. The grant application requires a one year of monitoring. The purpose of applying for the grant was to help defray some of the cost.

Commissioner Gavin said considerable time was spent on this project last year. A Commissioner was sent to Washington twice on this and he thought a decision had been made. If this does succeed, the county could put it on other buildings and could gain on this also. If this project should be scrapped now there is the cost of the paper work.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GAVIN, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE TO PAY THE INVOICE OF THOMAS STRAT ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,798.67 AND TO CONTINUE ON WITH THE PROJECT, AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONERS R. SABAUGH, GROVE, ZOCCOLA, MC HENRY AND TOMLINSON VOTING NO.

Commissioner Zoccola said his argument is not to scrap the program. His only question is that the \$3,700 cost to prepare the data was too high.

Commissioner McHenry said he had one comment and that is that originally they talked about saving 6% of the energy on this building if they got 20% savings on energy, that would be a lot.

INVOICES

Commissioner DeGrendel said in the interest of time, that he would make a motion to pay all of the invoices listed, however, Mr. Maeder did not want invoice (g) to Thomas Strat and Associates paid under this motion, as he wished to discuss it.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS IN THE PAYMENT OF THE FOLLOWING INVOICES:

(a) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,266.80 TO LYONS PLUMBING & HEATING AND PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,714.00 TO PASTERNAK, FUGA, INC. FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE INTERMEDIATE FLOORS.

(b) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,381.17 TO GIFFELS ASSOCIATES FOR WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE REHABILITATION CENTER.

(c) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,724.20 TO ELLIS/NAEYAERT ASSOCIATES FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES RENDERED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROBATE COURT BUILDING.

(d) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,117.37 TO PALMER-SMITH COMPANY FOR WORK PERFORMED AT THE REHABILITATION CENTER.

(e) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,030.00 TO HICKSON-COSTIGAN FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PROBATE COURT BUILDING.

(f) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,640.00 TO HICKSON-COSTIGAN FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE JUVENILE COURT FACILITY.

(h) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,920.01 TO HANLON ENGINEERING COMPANY FOR FINAL PAYMENT ON THE INTERMEDIATE FLOORS CONTRACT.

(i) PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,315.00 TO WAKELY KUSHNER AND PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,678.04 TO GIFFELS ASSOCIATES FOR WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE REHABILITATION CENTER. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee was in receipt of an invoice from Thomas Strat Associates which invoice contained an amount of \$54,874.00; representing 63% of work completed on the Warren Satellite Facility; it also contained an amount of \$3,798.67 which was discussed by this committee and by a motion was authorized for payment; and an amount of \$896.00 which were expenses incurred by a trip to Washington and which request was denied for payment by a previous meeting of this committee.

Mr. Maeder stated that the Warren Satellite Building is 63% completed. He has gone to the site and looked at what the architect has done and he is in agreement that the amount of \$54,874.00 should be paid. Under the rules of the contract, the architect is allowed to bill for 70%. In three weeks he will have final drawings ready for review and he would like three weeks to review them. After they are done, he would like to call a special meeting of this committee and go over the entire set of drawings and specs. At this time he would recommend 63% of the bill for payment - \$54,874.00.

As for the amount of \$896, this involved expenses for a trip to Washington and this amount was rejected for payment at a previous meeting of this committee.

The part of the statement dealing with the amount of \$3,798.67 has been discussed by this committee already today.

A motion was offered at this time by Zoccola, supported by Underwood, to pay the bill of \$54,874.00 to Thomas Strat. Discussion continued.

Commissioner Tomlinson pointed out that the amount of \$896.00 included on the statement today was previously rejected for payment by this committee and how he is billing the county again. It could have slipped through.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked Mr. Maeder if Mr. Strat has been working closely with him on this building.

Mr. Maeder replied that he hasn't been working close with him at all. He has had no calls at all from him.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said that he should be working with Mr. Maeder. The committee ought to withhold payment of his bill until they see what Strat's problem is. Apparently he wants his money. When you deal with that much money, he should be working with Facilities & Operations daily. He asked if Mr. Maeder felt comfortable with Strat.

Mr. Maeder said he didn't feel comfortable with him. If they have the final review on the drawings and sit down with this committee and go over the drawings and if there is anything to be corrected, the drawings can be taken back and corrected. He said he likes to work with the people as they are working. He said they have ideas of what they want and like to inject them so that they are corrected at that point in time before they get down to the final drawing.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked if the architect generally works with him. Does he consult with you before he makes up final drawings so that there isn't a radical change. If he hasn't been doing this, how can you say he has completed 63% of his work.

Mr. Maeder replied that he does have 63% of his work done. He has to add a few more pages. They go through the preliminaries, they design and develop the drawings and come up with a finished drawing and at that point they consider 70% of the work completed. When those final drawings are done and the bid documents are prepared and to out and when the bids come back and contracts are awarded that is when 80% of the work is done. The final 20% is usually spent throughout construction for field inspections.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said that Mr. Maeder should get in touch with Mr. Strat and have him work more closely with him and that the payment of this bill should be tabled. The previous motion was not acted on.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by R. Sabaugh, supported by Tomlinson, to table the invoice from Thomas Strat until the Director of Facilities & Operations and Thomas Strat Architects get together and discuss the recent invoice. Motion carried.

Chairman of the Board VerKuilen said it is Mr. Maeder's job to keep on top of all the architects. He knows what the job is. If he is not contacting the architects, they are getting away with it. He is here to protect the interests of the county. It is too late after the horse is out of the barn.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said it is not fair to attach a member of administration who is doing a good job. When you defend the architect it insults the entire board.

Chairman Trombley said he was sure that the Chairman of the Board and the department heads would sit down and get this ironed out with Thomas Strat Architects.

Commissioner Tomlinson said that is one reason why he supported the tabling motion. If we want action, the best way to get it is to hold up the money.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner McHenry said he was disturbed when he read in the NACO News that the counties have been ignored by the President in his budget. Our Executive Director, Bernie Hillenbrand of NACO tried to get county elected officials at his budget hearings. They did say that Bernie could come, which he refused. This is the place for elected officials to be. More and more monies are being asked from the counties to come up with social services, law enforcement, education, etc. and to have the President ignore the counties in his budget is discouraging.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY R. SABAUGH, THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD WRITE A LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TELLING HIM OF THE DISAPPOINTMENT OF THE COUNTIES IN BEING IGNORED IN HIS BUDGET HEARINGS AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Ray Trombley, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee Reporter

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 9, 1976

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Public Works & Transportation Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee held on Monday, February 9, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building - Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Trombley-Chairman, Gavin, Bedard, Caruso, Grove, Hramiec, McHenry, R. Sabaugh, Tomlinson, Underwood, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present was Commissioner DeGrendel, who requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Richard Guddeck, Purchasing Agent
Robert Maeder, Director Facilities & Operations
Robert Waring, Operations Manager
Guy Brown, Director Probation Department
Thomas Strat, Architect
Joe Inatome, Thomas Strat Associates

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:35 A.M. by the Chairman.

PURCHASE REQUEST - DICTAPHONE EQUIPMENT
PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Mr. Guddeck referred to material previously mailed to committee and indicated the request is for replacement of existing dictaphone equipment within the Probation Department. They are asking for sixteen (16) dictators and six (6) transcribers. Also requested is replacement of two (2) units in Friend of the Court. Mr. Guddeck stated the total cost of equipment is \$10,129.00.

Commissioner Gavin called attention to the fact that his calculations show a trade-in allowance of only \$36.36 per unit while dictaphone's statement shows they are allowing a trade-in value of \$103 per unit. He felt the difference was too much to explain simply as an increase in cost.

Mr. Guddeck noted Dictaphone's reference to \$103 per unit takes into account an 8% G.S.A. discount which the County would normally get. Basically it is a \$36 allowance per unit. He further noted a quote was received from I.B.M. and they would allow the County nothing on this used equipment.

Commissioner Gavin then questioned the maintenance aspect of this equipment.

Mr. Guddeck explained the Dictaphone Company will provide 6 months maintenance (crediting the county with \$550). The maintenance contract will run \$550 for a full year the first time and the next go around will cost \$1,104.

In response to further questions by Commissioner Gavin, Mr. Guddeck indicated the \$1,100 maintenance contract is a normal charge and not out of line.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked a series of questions to which Messrs. Guddeck and Brown responded as follows:

Mr. Guddeck stated of the units to be traded eighteen (18) were purchased in 1968; one (1) in 1970; two (2) in 1972; and one (1) in 1974. The reason for trading in these

newer units with the older models is to have equipment compatibility. The new machines will operate on a cassette tape system while the machines currently in use operate on magnetic belts.

With reference to the possibility of gradually obtaining this equipment rather than an initial outlay of \$10,000. Mr. Brown explained it would cause the department to work with two different systems. While the girls could be taught to operate dictation workload on one type of machine could not be transferred to the other machine for efficient completion. It would cause a problem because the dictated reports are on a deadline with the Courts. He also indicated the department has had a lot of difficulty with the machines in use. The transcribers operating on a magnetic belt are not bringing the dictation out clearly and it's necessary for the typists to wait for clarification from the Probation Officer to continue typing. This delay is also causing problems.

Mr. Brown pointed out each Probation Officer has his own machine but when not in working order they do share equipment. This sharing has been tried and it doesn't seem to work. The scheduling of it is difficult when you have 20 or more officers dictating, if they don't have their own machine they must wait for a piece of equipment and this ties up their time; those are valuable man hours wasted.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he was looking for a way to save the county some money in this but evidently there is no way to do so.

Commissioner Caruso said his concern was the same as Commissioner Sabaugh's but all aspects have been discussed and there doesn't appear to be any way to cut this cost.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY ZOCCOLA, TO CONCUR IN THE CONTROLLER'S RECOMMENDATION AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAIVE FORMAL BID PROCEDURE AND APPROVE PURCHASE OF THE DICTAPHONE EQUIPMENT FOR THE PROBATION OFFICE AND FRIEND OF THE COURT AT A TOTAL COST OF \$10,129.60.

In response to Commissioner Zoccola's question, Mr. Brown stated each Probation Officer will be assigned equipment and be responsible for same.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh questioned waiving the bid procedure.

Mr. Guddeck explained the equipment purchased is Mr. Brown's preference as his department has been using this brand for approximately 20 years.

Mr. Brown explained the brand of equipment requested operates on cassette tapes and any cassette will work in the machine. On the other hand IBM's machines utilize a disc system and the entire department would have to altered to accommodate the system.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

In response the Commissioner Underwood, Mr. Guddeck reviewed the cost of the maintenance agreement on this equipment.

Commissioner Bedard asked Mr. Guddeck to see if the Dictaphone Company would consider extending their maintenance responsibility from 6 months to 1 full year since the county is purchasing a quantity rather than just one machine. He also offered his assistance.

INVOICE - WARREN SATELLITE FACILITY

Committee was in receipt of an invoice from Thomas Strat and Associates requesting payment of \$54,874 for for architectural services rendered on the Warren Satellite Public Service Facility. Payment of same was previously tabled by committee 1/29/76. This payment would bring the county up to 63% payment of total estimated architectural fee.

Commissioner Grove stated last Thursday a meeting was held with Mr. Strat, Mr. Inatome, Mr. Shore, Mr. Maeder, Mr. Waring, Board Chairman VerKuilen, Public Works & Transportation Committee Chairman Trombley and him. At that meeting they reviewed everything and resolved every issue that was discussed by Public Works & Transportation on January 29.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GROVE, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT OF \$54,874.00 TO THOMAS STRAT AND ASSOCIATES FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES RENDERED ON THE WARREN SATELLITE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked what exactly was resolved at last Thursday's meeting. The full committee was told there were some disagreements between Mr. Maeder and Mr. Strat over the electrical system and different parts of the building. What was resolved?

Mr. Maeder stated the invoice bill before committee will, when paid, bring the county to 63% of the architectural fee. He advised that when this invoice was sent to committee in January, Facilities & Operations said it was acceptable. By the time Strat and Associates get the final drawings out, they will be allowed 70% payment; when the bids are back and awarded the county will then owe the architects 80% payment. Mr. Maeder reiterated the 63% payment at this time is in line.

Mr. Maeder continued, there was some discussion on partitioning and electrical conduits but all of these things have been resolved, everyone is satisfied that the county will get what we are asking for.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh was of the opinion last Thursday's meeting should have been a sub-committee meeting and should have been recorded in writing.

Chairman Trombley noted last Thursday's meeting and participants of same was held in accordance with direction of the full Public Works & Transportation Committee

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he still would have preferred to see the resolves of that meeting in writing. He asked Mr. Maeder if he is now satisfied that the county has a back-up system at this facility in case the solar energy system breaks down.

Mr. Maeder replied there has always been a back-up system designed into this facility; this was discussed a long time ago. We are talking about installing two (2) boilers for 100% back-up heating and a chiller that would back-up the absorption machine for 50% cooling back-up. Mr. Maeder indicated 50% cooling back-up would keep the building in a liveable condition if the solar energy cooling system failed. He pointed out in the Court Building there are two (2) absorption chillers, if one goes down that one won't handle the cooling completely, it won't bring the temperature down to 72 degrees but at 80 or 83 degrees the building is still liveable and the employees can work.

Commissioner Gavin referred to the invoice before committee; while the motion on the floor approves payment of the \$54,874 he questioned the amounts of \$896 and \$3,798 also before committee as invoice charges.

Question was raised as to whether the latter amounts pointed out by Commissioner Gavin were recommended for payment at the January 29 Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting.

Commissioner Walsh indicated he was unable to be in attendance at the previous Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting, however, he recalls that the expenses were turned down for payment. These expenses were submitted for a trip to Washington, D.C. by Messrs. Strat, Inatome, Nyovich and him (Walsh) in an attempt to secure Federal grant money for the project. Mr. Strat paid for everything for everyone on this trip as advised to do so by the Controller. In this way the expenses would be covered as part of project cost under Federal Sharing money rather than 100% county funds. Because of this, it seems Mr. Strat is being crucified. Commissioner Walsh said if he and Mr. Nyovich had made a draw of county funds for the trip, Mr. Strat's bill would have only been half of what it is.

Commissioner Caruso said he recalls that Public Works & Transportation did recommend payment of the expenses Commissioner Walsh referred to. He believed that had been taken care of; the \$896 relates to an hourly charge they submitted for their time in Washington, D.C.

Commissioner Walsh said he wasn't aware of any hourly charge.

At this point, Chairman Trombley secured a copy of the January 29 Public Works & Transportation Committee minutes. He indicated committee had recommended payment of the \$3,798 bill but not the \$896 bill.

Commissioner Zoccola said he thought the \$896 was hourly charges and that was denied by committee, went to the Full Board and was denied there as well.

Chairman Trombley indicated the issue before committee is payment of the \$54,874 bill. As for the other bills he would require some time to research the minutes for clarification.

Commissioner McHenry said the bill was never presented with the explanation as offered by Commissioner Walsh and requested a clarification.

Commissioner Grove said his motion only relates to the \$54,874 payment.

Commissioner Bedard indicated Mr. Maeder stated at the last meeting a bit of a communication problem existed. He asked if that has been resolved.

Mr. Maeder replied it has been resolved.

A vote was called on the original motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Trombley indicated he would look into committee's documented actions as relates to the questionable \$896 invoice charge submitted by Strat & Associates.

ALLOCATION OF FLOOR SPACE - COUNTY BUILDING

Chairman Trombley indicated this matter was discussed by the Building & Grounds Subcommittee February 6, 1976 and their report and recommendation is before committee this morning.

A wall chart reflected the floor space allocation plan as submitted by the Controller as follows:

1. The Treasurer is on the first floor of the County Building and will remain on the first floor.
2. The second floor houses the Veterans' Affairs and the Register of Deeds. The Marriage Bureau is now on the third floor of the Court Building and it will be moved to the area now being utilized by the Veterans' Affairs. The second floor would then house two functions of the Clerk's Office.
3. The third floor is now vacant. They would like to move Equalization and Land File together. The information at the Land File Department could be easily utilized by the other department.
4. Personnel/Labor Relations have the fourth floor and they would like to maintain that department at that location.
5. The fifth floor is leased to Mental Health and they anticipate that being the same.
6. Equalization is on the sixth floor now, but will be moved and that floor will be vacant. In case Mental Health would need to expand, they could lease that

space to them, or lease it to another governmental agency at that time.

7. The seventh floor contains data processing and that would remain.

8. The eighth floor houses Legal Aide and they will move to the new facility and that will leave that space vacant or they may lease it.

9. Cooperative Extension is on the ninth floor and will remain there.

10. The 41st District Court is moving out at the end of February and he has been requested by Judge Deneweth to move Workman's Compensation to the 10th floor and out of this building. They at present have two rooms in this building that the court would like to use. The Land File would be moved to the third floor; the 10th floor would be open for Workman's Compensation. In one area, Reimbursement Department is cramped and they will move them down and give them an extra 200 feet.

11. The eleventh floor functions would remain the same. Where Reimbursement is now they would move the Microfilm Department.

12. The twelfth floor houses purchasing and Facilities & Operations and they would remain there.

13. The departments on that floor would stay the same.

The Building & Grounds Sub-committee recommendation was read as follows:

A motion was made by Underwood, supported by McHenry, to concur in the concept of the plans of the Controller's Office in the allocating of floor space for the various departments in the County Building. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY ZOCCOLA, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BUILDING & GROUNDS SUB-COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE FLOOR SPACE ALLOCATION PLAN - COUNTY BUILDING, AS PREPARED BY THE COUNTY CONTROLLER.

Commissioner Underwood noted all the work involved in implementing this plan will be done by county employees. No outside contractors are involved.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

MODIFICATION OF DESIGN CONCEPT
MT. CLEMENS PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY

Chairman Trombley indicated this matter was also reviewed in detail by the Building & Grounds Sub-committee. The sub-committee's recommendation is as follows:

A motion was made by Hramiec, supported by McHenry, to concur in the recommendation of the Controller's Office in the revision of the plans at the Macomb County Public Service Facility and that said revision cost will not exceed the sum of \$7,287.66. Motion carried.

Commissioner Gavin pointed out the County had this facility design firmed up, but the State came along and required some changes in the Social Services area. Those changes are going to cost the County an additional \$7,287.66. Commissioner Gavin said this is not fair and suggested when the county sets the rental fee we should incorporate this extra cost in order to recoup this money. He did not feel the taxpayers of Macomb County should pick up the bill for the State's changes.

Controller Shore noted at the last Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting he submitted some proposed rates, but none have been firmed up, in fact, they are negotiable. In order to include this extra cost he would have to amortize it over the 10 year lease period but he could do it. Mr. Shore stated the rental rates will have to be approved by this committee and the Full Board and at that time he will itemize what is contained within the rate; just what the rental fee includes.

Commissioner Gavin further suggested Mr. Shore include an inflationary factor when considering a rental rate.

Controller Shore referred to architectural floor designs posted for committee; one showed the original concept and the other the new concept. He stated in as much as this new concept precludes a fixed area for any department, by partitions, the county can give Social Services as much or as little space as they want. They have indicated a need for at least 20,000 square feet. The delay has been the past 30 days in trying to redesign this project to make it more flexible. That flexible concept is what committee is accepting this morning.

Chairman Trombley stated a motion was not necessary (committee concurred) and that Controller Shore would include the county's additional project cost and the inflationary factor when considering rental rate.

Commissioner Hramiec concurred with Commissioner Gavin. He stated it's difficult to digest this \$7,000 bill after the drawings were in the hopper and then the State comes in. We should try to get some of this money back. Commissioner Hramiec questioned the amount of floor space in the revised plan.

Controller Shore explained when originally designed Social Services set up certain criteria they actually designed this entire building area for their utilization. Over the past 6 or 8 months this thing has been evolving; the Public Works & Transportation Committee and Full Board approved a concept and we went into production of the plans. Since that time there's been a modification in the law which says the State is responsible for

housing rather than the county. At this point the State changed the concept of their offices and since they are the leasing authority, the Controller's Office came to realize Social Services whole system of operation would change in the future and the county would have no method of using this floor space economically as it had been designed for Social Services functions. Mr. Shore pointed out if ten years down the road there is no Social Services Department, the county could then utilize that area. The county gains approximately 600 square feet more with the revised plan and Wakely/Kushner has assured us it would be within the same budget limitations.

In response to Commissioner Caruso's inquiry, Mr. Shore stated the county wants these changes and will benefit from them. He reiterated the fact that the state indicated, when the original plan was devised, that the county was responsible for housing the Social Services operation. Now because of modification in the law the State is going to pay the county rental for this space. The state said they don't want to rent space for 300 people (originally planned) but rather 200 people. They don't want to rent for future growth because the State said if they need future growth they will go to another area of the county. Mr. Shore said the State did not want future growth built into their lease. If the State is only going to rent a portion of that floor space designed for Social Services, the county need accessibility to the rest of the area for other departments. Mr. Shore said in order to use this wing for other functions it must be made flexible enough. The revised plan would allow the county to accommodate any agency in that area and expand or contract with total flexibility.

Mr. Shore explained the only other modification to the original plan is addition of employee toilet facilities in this area (he outlined the area on the wall chart) as suggested by Commissioner Zoccola. Controller Shore said he and Mr. Maeder believe the revised design is much better than the original.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO CONCUR IN THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE MODIFICATION TO THE CONCEPT DESIGN FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY, MT. CLEMENS AT A REVISION COST NOT TO EXCEED \$7,287.66; FURTHER THAT WORK PROCEED POST-HASTE ON THIS PROJECT.

In response to Commissioner Underwood, Mr. Shore noted rental fees paid by the State for Social Services housing in other areas of the State is negotiable in each case. In each instance the State negotiates for existing facilities but Mr. Shore said he refused to talk about existing facilities until we come up with this facility. He pointed out Macomb is the only county required to build new facilities for them.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

MICROFILMING - PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the Public Works Office and Purchasing Division regarding microfilming of Public Works records.

Mr. Guddeck stated the Controller's Office would like to have the Public Works Commission purchase a camera for microfilming records. The rental is \$816 while the purchase cost if \$1,746. Mr. Guddeck felt purchasing the equipment would be more advantageous to the county because we are getting to the point of more records and we must put them on film because retention is getting to be a problem.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PURCHASE OF ONE KODAK RV-2 MICROFILMER BY THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION AT A COST OF \$1,746 SAID COST TO BE PAID FROM THE REVOLVING DRAIN FUND.

Commissioner VanderPutten noted the Public Works Commission, Planning Commission and Road Commission are located in close proximity. He suggested the Planning and Road Commissions be permitted to use this equipment once the Public Works Commission is caught up.

Mr. Guddeck stated the intent of purchasing this type of equipment is that it go from department to department as needed; Parks & Recreation included.

Commissioner Hramiec clarified his motion stating he is in support of equipment purchase but not addition of employees. He asked if there wasn't a group of young people doing microfilm work.

Controller Shore said this work is being performed by co-op students.

In response to Commissioner Gavin's question, Mr. Shore stated the microfilm reader equipment mentioned by Mr. Kirk in his correspondence of 1/22/76 will cost about \$3,500. The Controller's Office will return to committee at a later date for that. Also Mr. Shore explained Mr. Kirk's reference to "purchasing this equipment through assessments against the various drain accounts". This equipment won't be purchased totally from county funds, part of the cost will be coming out of the Revolving Drain Fund. The microfilming of records will be done not only for the County but for the various drains. The Public Works Commissioner will bill them for their share of the cost of that operation. The county will also be billed for the cost of microfilming our portion of records. The equipment will be bought out of the Revolving Fund which will be reimbursed through billing the various drains and the county.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

INVOICES

Committee was in receipt of an invoice from Wakely Kushner requesting payment of \$587.56 for architectural services on the Intermediate Floors - Phase II as reviewed

and approved by Facilities & Operations.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PAYMENT OF INVOICE FROM WAKELY KUSHNER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$587.56 FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES INTERMEDIATE FLOORS - PHASE II. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Committee was in receipt of material pursuant to a proposed lease between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the County of Macomb (see 2-27-76 meeting file).

Mr. Shore indicated certain negotiations have been going on with DNR for lease of property for the new Sheriff's Marine Patrol Boathouse. He believed an agreement has finally been reached in concept and location. DNR has submitted the attached lease (see 2-27-76 meeting file) to the County and Civil Counsel has reviewed it. Controller Shore requested authority to enter into the lease for 25 years. It's for that portion of property right past the bend on the site at the end of South River Road in Harrison Township. This area is sufficient in size for parking and the building. The State will permit the County to use the existing dock for potential hot boats. Mr. Shore stated once the base is approved the county will then go out for bid, firm up the specs and design and get it approved by the State and hopefully proceed with construction sometime this summer.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Underwood, supported by VanderPutten, to waive the 5 day notice in order to take action on this matter. Motion carried.

Controller Shore continued, this is a 25 year lease with an option to review for another 15 years. At the end of 25 years if there is still need for this facility or if there is still life in the building, the County can pick up the 15 year option.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MACOMB COUNTY AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENTER INTO SAID LEASE FOR PROPERTY ON THE HARLEY PUBLIC ACCESS SITE.

In response to Commissioner Bedard's question, Board Chairman VerKuilen said the Parks & Recreation Commission has been trying to persuade the State to give the county that property. If this could be achieved it really would benefit the County financially.

Mr. Shore noted if the county stops using the building on this property it will revert to the DNR but the building is less than 100,000 square feet.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by McHenry, to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 A.M. Motion carried.

Ray Trombley, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 10, 1976

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
to the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Tuesday, February 10, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, Franchuk, Gavin, Grove, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners DeGrendel, Hramiec and R. Sabaugh, all of whom asked to be excused and Commissioner Johnson was also excused while recovering from surgery.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer
Joseph Zacharzewski, Director, Personnel/Labor Relations
Don VanderVeen, Director, Social Services
Salvatore Crimando, Court Administrator
Jerald R. Lovell, Law Research Library Clerk

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was in receipt of the semi-monthly bills as prepared and previously mailed by the Controller's Office. A review of the bills was conducted and questions were raised on several vouchers, including but not limited to the following:

Page 3, Voucher 13-745 - Otis Elevator - \$1,655.46
Elevator maintenance

Commissioner VanderPutten questioned this voucher inasmuch as there was another like voucher appearing on page 13. Dave Diegel advised that these billings were for two different monthly periods.

Page 9, Voucher 2-126 - Transcript on appeal - \$499.20

Dave Diegel explained that this charge was for the original and two copies of a case on appeal. This is the rate established by State Statute.

Page 9, Voucher 2-84 - Defense attorney fee for Municipal Court

Sam Crimando explained that effective March 1, the county will no longer be responsible for the payment of any attorney fees for misdemeanors in the lower courts; namely, the District Court and Municipal Court. Last year \$35,000 was paid out for this purpose, so that will result in a large savings to the county.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said he would like to be made aware of the procedures used in guardian ad litem cases. He is under the impression that all the attorney does is stand in court on a mental commitment and advise the person of their rights. He thought perhaps one attorney could be hired for this purpose.

Chairman Back suggested that this be a matter for the Wills and Estates Sub-committee to take up at its next meeting, and asked the Secretary to see that this matter was on the agenda.

Page 14 - Commissioner S. Sabaugh questioned several items appearing on this page having to do with the transporting of prisoners.

Dave Diegel explained that those moneys are reimbursable by the Federal Government. The deputies who transport the prisoners are allowed \$2.50 for one meal and they use the police cars to do the transporting.

Page 20, Voucher 19183. This voucher concerned several billings from various hospitals and the committee had several questions for Mr. VanderVeen.

Commissioner McHenry asked who in the Social Services Department reviews the doctor bills.

Mr. VanderVeen replied that the bills go to the accounting section who reviews them as to the county policy on hospitals. There are a number of days limitation for certain types of hospitalization. Unless his department received a written request beyond 14 days, the bill is approved on the basis of medical necessity. The bills are also reviewed from the standpoint of charges because of the fact that there is an agreement between the various counties. Under no circumstances, will they pay more to a hospital for a per diem rate, than does the county in which that hospital is located.

Commissioner McCarthy said he had a question about some of the technical terms used by the doctors in their write up of a patient's diagnosis. He asked Mr. VanderVeen if his staff ever consults with the doctors in order to find out what the diagnosis pertains to.

Mr. VanderVeen stated that they have two consultants who are employed by their department. They have one medical consultant and one osteopath consultant. If they have a question on a bill, they take the bill to the doctor.

Commissioner VanderPutten said he noticed that the one bill on the list of bills today (Henry Ford Hospital) was in excess of \$150 a day.

Mr. VanderVeen said that this is negotiated by Wayne County. Generally speaking, each county negotiates with the hospital in its own area. They do not automatically accept the Blue Cross-Blue Shield rate. Hospitals have a factor for profit, but they tell them, you don't make a profit on us. He said that his department pursues every avenue in order to obtain reimbursement. They had one case where a woman was in an automobile accident and had to have extensive face surgery. However, in that particular case, there was no opportunity for reimbursement because of the situation involved. However, they do seek reimbursement where they can get it.

Commissioner Caruso said he was concerned that a person's car insurance would not pay anything toward the hospital bill, inasmuch as car insurance is mandatory.

Chairman Back asked that Mr. VanderVeen check out that particular case and that a report be given to the Health, Education, Environment and Welfare Committee.

Commissioner McHenry said that a person has to have automobile insurance. If there is someone in the family that has insurance, the individual in the family can collect under that policy. The county should try to pursue that to make sure the county gets its money.

Commissioner Grove asked if any check is made each year as to the amount of money that is reimbursable and is actually collected by the county.

Mr. VanderVeen said that report is part of their annual budget.

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Chairman Back asked the Secretary to see that a copy of these minutes are sent to the Social Services Board for their review.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GROVE, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$345,772.02 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS, AND/OR ADDITIONS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; AND TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 23, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$804,992.46 WITH NECESSARY FUNDS BEING APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Grove, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems for the period January 26 through February 6, 1976. Motion carried.

LETTER FROM DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
RE GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the Director of Social Services explaining that due to changes involved with increase in state involvement with the General Assistance Program, it has been necessary to segregate a portion (\$105,000.00) of their 1976 appropriation leaving it as a part of the County General Fund rather than handling it as part of the Social Welfare Fund. The moneys were intended to provide for special emergency needs not covered by any other program. Due to the emergency of the situations involved, he was requesting authorization to expend these funds directly and to submit reports of the expenditures to this committee for review and approval later.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY UNDERWOOD, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO SEGREGATE A PORTION (\$105,000.00) OF THEIR 1976 APPROPRIATION, LEAVING IT AS PART OF THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND, RATHER THAN HANDLING IT AS PART OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE FUND AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Back called attention to an addendum to the list of bills wherein the Controller's Office was requesting payment to Humanity House in the amount of \$1,930.00 for room and board. Mr. Diegel explained that this particular invoice was overlooked by the Juvenile Court and it is already late for payment. The charges were incurred over a sixty-two day period ending December 11, 1975 for the board and care of a ward of the Court.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY UNDERWOOD, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO PAY THE BILL TO HUMANITY HOUSE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,930.00 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Caruso said about a month ago he brought up the matter of the solar energy project that the government is getting into. He thought it would be a good idea if letters went out to the Governor pushing this project for the State of Michigan. He recommended also that a letter be sent to Senator Griffin. He said this was an important project and if our state could get it, this would be the prime state for the industry to move into.

Chairman Back stated if there is no objection that the chair would accept a motion to send a letter to the representatives encouraging them to lobby strongly for this project to come into the State of Michigan.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, THAT LETTERS BE SENT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE GOVERNOR, SENATOR GRIFFIN AND ALL OF THE CONGRESSMEN URGING THAT THEY USE THEIR INFLUENCE TO GET THE SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further business to come to the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee
Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 10, 1976

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Personnel Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Personnel Committee held Tuesday, February 10, 1976 on the 2nd floor, Macomb County Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Franchuk-Chairman, Bedard, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, Gavin, Grove, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Trombley, Underwood,

VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners DeGrendel, Hramiec, R. Sabaugh and Tomlinson, all of whom requested to be excused and Commissioner Johnson who also requested to be excused while recovering from surgery.

Also present:

Joseph Zacharzewski, Director - Personnel/Labor Relations
John Shore, County Controller

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:28 A.M. by the Chairman.

VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT
BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Mr. Zacharzewski referred to his letter of January 20, 1976 (previously mailed to committee) in which following positions were submitted for the Board's confirmation:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
2 Nurse Aide positions Mary Rich vacant January 6, 1976 Carolyn Wilson vacant January 9, 1976	Martha T. Berry M.C.F.
1 Female Attendant, position vacant February 2, 1976 (G. Cook)	Juvenile Court - Youth Home
1 Radio Technical II position vacant February 6, 1976 (O.J. Mayer)	Radio Department
1 Typist Clerk IV position vacant January 12, 1976 (C. St. John reclassification due to retirement of E. Ferguson-2nd Dept. Register)	Probate Court

Mr. Zacharzewski advised that each position was reviewed; he recommended each be filled to maintain the respective department's level of service until such time as other things have to be done because of budgetary problems.

In response to Commissioner S. Sabaugh's question, Mr. Zach stated the two (2) Nurse Aide positions at Martha T. Berry will probably be filled from the department's part-time pool. Because of the professional status of most of Martha T. Berry's employees, that department has very few C.E.T.A. employees. The Radio Technical II - Radio Department and Typist Clerk IV - Probate Court are both budget positions. Mr. Zacharzewski stated of the four positions before committee, the Female Attendant-Youth Come will be filled by C.E.T.A.

Commissioner Underwood asked if seniority is taken into consideration when C.E.T.A. people are moved into open budget positions.

Mr. Zacharzewski replied the program guidelines say the County must treat C.E.T.A. employees as others. They are tested and 95% perhaps even more of them are people next in line seniority wise. Not only seniority but qualifications are also considered. If one of these employees is being passed over, the reason is documented in writing.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY S. SABAUGH, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFIRM VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS OUTLINED IN CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR DATED JANUARY 30, 1976. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by McHenry, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 A.M. Motion carried.

Walter Franchuk, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 11, 1976

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Administrative Services Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Administrative Services Committee, held Wednesday, February 11, 1976 on the second floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners conference room, the following members were present:

Tarnowski-Chairman, Franchuk, Grove, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, Tomlinson, VanderPutten and VerKuilen

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Ray McPeters, Chief Civil Counsel
Ben Giampetroni, Director Planning Commission
Robert Nyovich, Legislative Aide

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:40 A.M. by the Chairman.

FULL BOARD REFERRAL - RE-ANALYZATION OF
GOVERNOR'S SPECIAL COMMISSION ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORT

Committee was mailed prior to the meeting a copy of the Governor's Special Commission on Local Government Report originally published in 1971; also copies of past committee and or sub-committee minutes relating discussions and past actions taken concerning this Report. In light of the recent proposal by the Governor for a tax-base sharing plan, which "coincidentally" was a recommendation contained within the Local Government Report, the Full Board requested re-analyzation of the Report and review of the number of recommendations contained there-in that have been implemented. The Full Board also asked the Administrative Services Committee to formulate a positive plan of action to continue the Board's fight against regionalism.

Chairman Tarnowski informed committee that the Governor seems to have some programs up his sleeve such as additional tax on Southeast Michigan license plates and property tax-base sharing. According to this Local Government Report the Governor can implement some of these programs by Executive Order while others require Legislative approval. Today's discussion will focus on the report and programs resulting from same.

Commissioner VanderPutten asked how many of the recommendations within the Local Government Report have been implemented to date.

Commissioner McCarthy referred to the analyzation submitted by the Planning Commission in September, 1972 (see 2-27-76 meeting file). He felt Commissioner VanderPutten had brought up a valid point and noted in going over the number of things contained in the Report, some have been implemented such as, "The State be organized into regional districts for all planning and development activities". Commissioner McCarthy also noted upon studying this document the Governor has acted to implement many items listed in the Planning Commission's Summary where it pertains to Regions.

Mr. Giampetroni indicated today's meeting will be a joint presentation to the extent that Messrs. Shore, McPeters, him and four or five others were involved in preparing the original document, dated September, 1972. The original appointment of the Special Commission on Local Government and their charge was made by the Governor in 1970. This committee has in the past and is now reviewing the recommendations from this Special Commission.

Mr. Giampetroni referred to the summary and pointed out in each case the Special Commission made recommendations to the Governor regarding Regions, County Government, Local Government and Relationships between the State and Local Government. He pointed out when it comes to implementing the recommendations on Local Government the action required in almost every case is State Legislation or by Constitutional Amendment; for County Government again its State Legislation or Constitutional Amendment; for implementation of recommendations regarding the State, the Governor has full and complete control through Executive Order; and in the area of Regions in almost every case where the Governor had power to act without consent of the electorate or the State Legislature to implement the Special Commission's recommendations, he has done so.

Mr. Giampetroni noted what this shows is that the Governor was given, by this Report, greatest latitude in regional-oriented programs.

Commissioner VanderPutten stated there is no evidence of any authority being given local governments in the area of regionalism. As he sees it the Governor is the hot shot and the County has very little, if anything, to do with what happens or doesn't happen concerning regionalism. Commissioner VanderPutten was of the opinion we don't have to fear the FBI or CIA but rather the architects of regionalism.

Mr. Giampetroni continued, as one of the results of committee's previous study, the Board of Commissioners petitioned and received a meeting with the Governor in December, 1972. At that time we presented alternatives to being a part of Region I (which just happened to correspond with SEMCOG's boundaries) and which contains approximately 53% of the State's total population. At that meeting about 33 other counties were represented as well, but Macomb was the spear head in that drive. It was Macomb County that contacted other counties to focus attention on this Special Commission Report.

Mr. Giampetroni stated buried within the report on a back page (page 42 paragraph 3) is reference to tax sharing which the Governor recently proposed in his State of the State Address. The Local Governments Commission recommended a study group be appointed to look into tax sharing. Up until this morning we were lead to believe no study group existed. However, Mr. McPeters indicated this morning that a study group has been formed but it was formed after the State of the State Message.

In response to questions, Mr. McPeters said he recalls that members of this study group include Dr. Dempsey and Superintendent Porter but others names he could not recall. He did say it seemed that there were just state people named to that group.

Commissioner VanderPutten noted there was a court ruling on a case in Hartford and asked if it could be explained.

Mr. Giampetroni said according to radio and newspaper accounts a Federal Judge handed down a ruling in Hartford; it unified a district for the purpose of transportation, water and sewers, and it sets a precedent for K thru 12 educational systems. Mr. Giampetroni felt the inter-relationship with regionalism could be seen throughout the country.

Chairman Tarnowski referred to material being distributed to committee from the Planning Commission that he requested be compiled. It consists of material on different Councils of Government (COG's) in different parts of the country and what their relative success rates are at this time.

Commissioner Myslakowski said in looking at the summary it appears the Governor seems to be seeking more power and cohercing the State Legislature to join in the act to give him these powers. He pointed out a lot of the recommendations from the Governor's Special Commission on Local Government have taken effect already and made reference to some. Commissioner Myslakowski felt if the Board could get the State Legislature on its side we can defeat this; he believed this Board was on the right track in voicing opposition long ago. At this time we have to be watching it with the help of our Legislative Aide to stop it cold.

Commissioner VanderPutten asked if the county had enough for a court case. It seems the Governor is discriminating against Southeastern Michigan with his couple of plans for taxation of the residents of this area and not the rest of the State.

Mr. McPeters said in his opinion the Governor has acted within the Constitutional framework. He has not violated his constitutional prerogatives. Mr. McPeters said there doesn't seem to be enough attention paid to what the Governor is doing until its an accomplished fact. Quite possibly some of the actions within certain defined areas could have been stopped by the Legislature but now its too late.

Mr. McPeters noted the Governor does have authority to define the 14 regions of the State but the Legislature could have given him other direction.

In response to the Chairman, Mr. McPeters said the tax on license plates and tax-base sharing needs the approval of the Legislature. He also pointed out that for programs requiring Legislative passage, the Governor has gone outside his own political party for sponsors of those bills; as an example, land use and regional government bills.

With respect to setting the boundaries for the State's regional planning areas, Commissioner VanderPutten noted when originally set up by the Governor there were 13 districts throughout the State. A precedent was set when the Governor broke out three counties on Lake Michigan to form a 14th region. Couldn't Macomb County also create it own region or perhaps join with St. Clair County and/or Oakland for a separate region?

Mr. McPeters explained this very thing was tried and Macomb County took it right up to the Governor's Office and spoke with him directly, we were denied.

Commissioner VanderPutten asked if this would constitute a court case. Mr. McPeters felt not. The Governor can, if he wants to, change the designated areas, but a court case won't force him to do so; he has that prepragative.

Mr. Giampetroni reviewed Macomb County's attempt to realign ourselves rather than be a portion of Region I during the meeting with Governor Milliken in December, 1972. Macomb was told to deal with Dr. Dempsey and we tried by correspondence to make headway with him but while Macomb was being turned down headway was being made by that other area of the State. He referred to the Region map of the State and pointed out that that Region I (7 county Southeast Michigan) holds approximately 53% of the State's population. Macomb and Oakland are the two (2) fastest growing counties in the State. Mr. Giampetroni read what constitutes a State Planning and Development Region as outlined in the Local Government Report.

Commissioner VanderPutten felt Macomb County would qualify without a doubt.

Commissioner McHenry said he didn't know what could be done here today. Our Board has been talking about this for years how government control in Lansing (the Legislative branch and Governor) cares less what happens on the this side of the State. This Board with the help of the Planning Commission have worked real hard trying to make changes in this but it seems like we keep coming up against a brick wall. Commissioner McHenry said he has talked to everyone of our State Legislators about this but they say their hands are pretty much tied. He asked Chief Civil Counsel and the Planning Commission if they could offer any direction to the Board to put a stop to this.

Chief Civil Counsel McPeters was of the opinion the answer is simple as well as complicated. It is political always has been and always will be. Macomb County is Democratic according to the voter profile, our Senators and Representatives are such but we have a Republican Governor. Surrounding the City of Detroit are Democratic communities. It would seem that a bill would not pass the Legislature if it is a detriment to the Democratic suburbs, however, it also seems the suburban communities are being divided by pitting them against each other. As an example he referred to the Construction Code which is being fought by the City of Warren and Macomb County; the Housing Bill which passed and was contained in the Local Government Report; Land Use hasn't passed yet but it looks like it will this session. Mr. McPeters further indicated the Regional Government Bill is being withdrawn this session but being practical, its an election year. Next year it will probably be put on the front burner again. Mr. McPeters felt it would take political remedies to rectify this situation until we can work within the framework of our party we won't be successful. We have taken our cause to NACO, to MAC, and to other lobby groups but when the roll is called and the vote is taken in the Legislature and it passes, that is the name of the game.

Mr. Giampetroni responded to Commissioner McHenry stating the Planning Commission has power of persuasion but that is about where is begins and ends. His department can collect information needed as it has done, and give it to the Board. In the final analysis though, he agreed with Mr. McPeters, it gets down to politics.

Commissioner McHenry felt the Board is going to have to have a meeting with everyone of our Legislators to get their in-put and give them ours. We need a good understanding with them and he suggested such a meeting be scheduled to discuss regionalism.

Board Chairman VerKuilen stated this Board of Commissioners has been fighting regionalism for 4 years. We have been contacting Commissioners in other counties and either they don't want to know or they don't have technical staff with the expertise to delve into it because of their size and/or budgetary limitation. If we can't get others to understand the ramifications we will have a losing battle.

Commissioner McHenry pointed out Wayne County Legislators have a great deal of power and they use it. He was also certain some Legislators don't even fully understand the ramifications of regionalism.

Chairman Tarnowski said he couldn't understand how the Legislators from the suburbs can go along with Wayne County Legislators. He recalled Representative Mastin appearing before the Board of Commissioners and printing a rosey picture of proposed Land Use legislation. At that time he never mentioned how it affected housing, taxation, etc. The efforts of this Board stymied that bill for a time to the extent that Representative Mastin said in a session of the Legislature that he would get it through piece by piece if need be.

Commissioner McHenry reiterated the necessity for a meeting with our Legislators.

Chairman Tarnowski advised committee that Commissioner Grove, Chairman of the Legislative Sub-committee will be going to Lansing on Tuesday and will relay our feelings on regionalism to the Legislators.

Commissioner Franchuk stated since the Board went through this Local Government Report the first time, most of the recommendations have been done. There are two (2) things we should focus on now; 1) Land Use Bill and 2) Representative Ryan's Regional Government Bill. He advised of talking to other Commissioners at the recent MAC Conference and suggested some of the literature before committee be sent to other counties and close contact be kept with them. Maybe we could even set up periodical meetings with our local communities and surrounding counties to fight these issues.

Commissioner McCarthy took exception to some of the things Mr. McPeters said about the Democratic Party. He advised of attending a Land Use session at the MAC Conference where a debate between Representative Mastin and Senator Joseph Mack ensued. He felt Macomb has a friend in Senator Mack with respect to the Land Use Bill Representative Mastin prepared. It was the consensus of people from all over the State attending the session that the bill, as presented by Representative Mastin, had so many loopholes and pitfalls he (Commissioner McCarthy) didn't think any of them would go back to their respective Board and/or State Legislators to have it passed. Commissioner McCarthy said he requested copies of Senator Mack's speech for the Board.

He continued, as written, the Land Use Bill give a 9-man commission authority to rule; its a dictatorial commission. Commissioner McCarthy was of the opinion passage of this bill means there won't be a land owner anymore and the Legislators in the State of Michigan, no matter who they are, should see through it. He reiterated the fact that there are people like Senator Mack fighting with Macomb County from outside the Metropolitan area.

Commissioner McCarthy said this Board must also continue to oppose the tax-base sharing issue the Governor proposed.

Commissioner McCarthy also asked to be shown anywhere in the U.S. where the planning and development regions had a population even close to the 5 million like Southeast Michigan Region I encompasses. As an example he pointed out the following consolidated governments and their populations:

Baton Rouge, LA.	267,600
Nashville-Davidson County, TN	410,000
Jacksonville-Duval County, FL	507,200
Indianapolis-Marion County, IN	742,000
Juneau, AK	13,895
Columbus-Muscogee County, GA	164,235

There is no place with over 1 million people consolidated into one (1) region.

Commissioner McCarthy felt if the Legislators in Lansing are naive enough to give the Governor that kind of power they shouldn't be in office and that includes Macomb County's Legislators. Look what happened in Washington, D.C. because the Congress allowed the President to get away with that extent of power. The Executive Branch and Judicial Branch have taken everything away from the policy-making Branch and that is exactly what's happening in this State.

Mr. Giampetroni said Commissioner McCarthy's point is well taken. Where you find success in achieving remedies to area problems its never been cumbersome. It makes very little sense to put more than half of the State's population in one region and spread 45% of the population over 13 regions as is being done in Michigan.

Commissioner VanderPutten observed it seems the Governor is forcing this on us and the rest of the people in the State are going their merry way. The only one the Governor is pushing is SEMCOG, no wonder no other Legislators are concerned, it doesn't affect them. If the Governor is not treating every citizen in this State on an equally fair basis, we would look into it as a basis for litigation. He said he understands why the Governor is doing it this way, its because of the dollar value, he must start somewhere. We should force the Governor to tell us why we are being discriminated against.

Mr. Giampetroni pointed out a successful region has been where one major city is within one county and they have combined city and county operations. In every case the central city is completely contained within one county, there is no crossing of county lines. In our case we cross seven (7) county lines.

Mr. McPeters indicated Board Chairman VerKuilen, many years ago, was perceptive in his remarks that SEMCOG lacked a representative form, no elected representatives were on

that body. This challenge was raised at MAC and NACO Conference and at first was looked upon as just another challenge from the suburbs. It turned out to be constitutionally correct as a Supreme Court ruling subsequently showed. Because of that and a lack of legislative authority in SEMCOG, per say, we have no base to find any avenue to litigate on questioning the format being used by SEMCOG.

Mr. McPeters said in his opinion the Governor chose the 7-county area because SEMCOG was here and viable as no others in the State. Macomb joined with St. Clair and Oakland in asking the Governor to make that a Region or even St. Clair, Lapeer and Macomb; we gave the Governor a number of alternatives. No appeal is open because the law allows the Governor to do what he did.

Commissioner VanderPutten persisted in that the Governor is not applying this equally state wide.

Mr. McPeters pointed out SEMCOG is not yet a government entity. Representative Ryan's bill will give it that but at this point in time its a "voluntary" organization. Mr. McPeters said he would be glad to take another look at it though.

Board Chairman VerKuilen emphasized every time this subject is discussed we become frustrated. It's been pointed out who was appointed to serve on the Governor's Special Commission on Local Government. The Chairman of that Commission was the Lieutenant Governor which goes to show you they chose the members very carefully. Now we are looking to see what we can do about the future in light of these programs. Even though frustrated, Board Chairman VerKuilen felt this Board would not give up the fight.

He noted the progress of regional government and regional-oriented programs would be a lot further down the road if Macomb County hadn't interceded. If we are going to discuss a positive plan we will have to concentrate on the 7-county area. Board Chairman VerKuilen felt it necessary to get enough Legislators in the 7-county area to do their job in Lansing as this Board sees it. He was of the opinion Macomb has made a lot of progress because at the recent MAC Conference in talking to Commissioners from various counties, some from St. Clair and Washtenaw are now questioning it. Also, it looks like Oakland County isn't as pleased and Board Chairman VerKuilen was of the opinion one day they too will step back and take a look at it. If need be, he suggested all the documentation and information this committee and Board has compiled be condensed and made even more dramatic to bring our point across. Board Chairman VerKuilen said this is the kind of thing that has to be done in an attempt to convince more county commissioners to get on their Legislators to put a harness on what Governor Milliken is doing. The general public should also know who is behind the regional government move; if they realized the Governor is as supportive of it as he is, Board Chairman VerKuilen felt certain Governor Milliken wouldn't have gotten the votes he did get from the residents of Macomb.

Board Chairman VerKuilen said it's going to cost us a few thousand dollars to get the information condensed, printed, and the staff time necessary, but its definitely worth it. Perhaps we could start calling meetings with other concerned Commissioners and host these meetings in Macomb. It will cost money but in the long run he believed it would be worth it.

He indicated Representative Ryan should be "thanked" for making SEMCOG mandatory in his bill, that is bound to make everybody stand up and take notice.

Commissioner McHenry said he would like to see at least two recommendations out of committee; 1) contact our State Legislators and schedule a meeting with them as soon as possible; 2) direct the Inter-Governmental Affairs Sub-committee to begin contacting County Commissioners from the 7-county area to get their feelings on a meeting between this 7-county area. It might even be necessary to send some of our Commissioners and/or technical staff to meet with those other counties to make this initial contact.

Commissioner McHenry offered a motion to the extent of his comments and Commissioner Myslakowski supported same but asked that additions be made to the motion to 1) direct the Inter-Governmental Affairs Sub-committee, in their contact with other county commissioners, to seek withdrawals from SEMCOG and advise them that it would be in their best interest to do so; 2) also again petition the Governor to restructure Region I pointing out the population factor. St. Clair, Oakland and Macomb could be a viable Region and meet all the criteria set up and even then the population would exceed one million.

Discussion ensued and it was felt such additions, if accepted, would better be handled as separate motions.

Commissioner McCarthy pointed out we couldn't seek a separate region with other counties unless we knew those other counties wanted to be grouped with Macomb.

Commissioner Grove suggested if the Board of Commissioners publishes an Annual Report to our citizens this year, the issues of regional government and its supporters could be relayed to the people through the Report.

Considerable discussion ensued and the following motion was offered:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY MYSLAKOWSKI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PLAN OF ACTION:

- I. THE MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPTS POLICY OPPOSING,
 - A) TAX-BASE SHARING ON A REGIONAL BASIS
 - B) LAND USE CONTROL
 - C) REGIONALISM
- II. ESTABLISH A DATE FOR A JOINT MEETING WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND COUNTY LEGISLATORS TO DISCUSS ITEMS A, B, C (ABOVE LISTED)

- III. DIRECT THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS SUB-COMMITTEE TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO SEEK MEETINGS WITH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN THE 7-COUNTY SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN AREA TO INFORM THEM OF MACOMB COUNTY'S OPPOSITION TO ISSUES A, B, C (ABOVE LISTED)
- IV. SEEK TO PETITION THE GOVERNOR FOR REORGANIZATION OF REGION I INTO A MORE MANAGEABLE POPULATION UNIT.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GROVE, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, INSTRUCTING THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO DOCUMENT, FOR THE CITIZENS OF MACOMB COUNTY, GOVERNOR MILLIKEN'S PLAN FOR REGIONALISM AND THIS INFORMATION BE INCLUDED IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS NEXT ANNUAL REPORT PUBLICATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Commissioner Myslakowski pointed out the fact that our citizens voted against Regional Government; we should let the Governor know that, if we haven't already. Also, we should get the public's feelings on this tax-base sharing proposal and give the Governor the results. Commissioner Myslakowski suggested the Board of Commissioners place a referendum on the ballot asking our voters if they favor a tax-base sharing plan in Macomb County with other parts of Region I.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Myslakowski, supported by VanderPutten, to refer to the Legislative Sub-committee the request to draft a referendum question for the ballot asking the voters if they favor the Governor's proposed tax-base sharing plan. Motion carried.

Commissioner VanderPutten indicated there is a great deal of information to digest on the issues just discussed by committee and asked that it be placed on the Administrative Services Committee agenda monthly for up-dates.

Chairman Tarnowski said this would be done so the Legislative Sub-committee, Inter-Governmental Affairs and various involved county departments can give committee members an up-date.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Nyovich advised committee that the Gongwer Legislative Service is being received by the Board Office in accordance with the Board's request. This is a good service and together with contacts with Legislators and Legislative staff, county staff and county groups such as MAC and NACO, we will be able to keep on top of things.

Mr. Nyovich indicated his department has been receiving the Gongwer Reports which he reviews daily to pinpoint major bills pertaining to the county. Also, he has secured a box in the Capitol Building and receives copies of all new legislation the same day as the Legislators receive them. He has formulated an analysis form which accompanies copies of bills being sent to the appropriate elected county officials or department heads when a bill affects their area of operation.

Mr. Nyovich said these analyses are beginning to return and he has started reviewing them. He will have procedure established as to what bills go before what committees and which bills need immediate attention.

Mr. Nyovich stated in his discussions with Legislators, their staff, etc. he has been told about an additional legislative service known as the Michigan Information and Research Service (MIRS). He's been informed that the service gives a good capsule view of new bills while Gongwer is more of a listing. Between the two Mr. Nyovich felt the county would be better informed. He stated most government bodies keeping on top of legislation subscribe to both services.

Mr. Nyovich requested permission to subscribe to MIRS at a cost of \$80 per month for daily publications. He felt this service could be distributed in the same manner as Gongwer.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MYSLAKOWSKI, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PURCHASE OF THE MIRS LEGISLATIVE REPORTS AT A COST OF \$80.00 PER MONTH FOR DAILY ISSUES. MOTION CARRIED.

With respect to the Gongwer Report, Commissioner Tomlinson asked that Mr. Nyovich highlight the matters of county concern for easy reference by Commissioners. Mr. Nyovich said this could be done.

Chairman Tarnowski noted some members of the Board don't care to receive copies of the Gongwer Report but asked that all members of the Administrative Services Committee be provided copies.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Myslakowski, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 A.M. Motion carried.

Donald G. Tarnowski, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee
Reporter

JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 19, 1976

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Judiciary & Public Safety Committee
February 19, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee, held on Thursday, February 19, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Hramiec-Chairman, DeGrendel, Caruso, Dane, Johnson, Plutter, Tarnowski, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Back, Bedard, Daner, S. Sabaugh and Walsh, who asked to be excused.

Also Present:

Lt. Col. Marjorie Hunt
Robert Nyovich, Director Law Enforcement Planning
Joe O'Connor, Juvenile Court
Honorable James Nowicki, Juvenile Court Judge
Deputy Sheriff William Krul, Sheriff's Department
Honorable George N. Parris, Prosecuting Attorney
John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director, Personnel/Labor Relations

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY RE COOPERATIVE
REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM AGREEMENT

Committee was in receipt of the Cooperative Reimbursement Program Agreement. Mr. Parris stated he was seeking approval of the program. The program has worked out well. During the years 1973 and 1974 Macomb was the number one county among all of the counties in the State of Michigan as far as getting reimbursements back to the program from people that were on welfare and were able to reimburse the county and state. The program is the same as it was last year, with the addition on one investigator on the staff. It is a basic state federal funding program.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY IN THE ADOPTION OF THE COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM AGREEMENT AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED. (See 2-27-76 meeting file for copy of Agreement)

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - MICHIGAN
ASSOCIATION OF POLYGRAPH EXAMINERS

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the Sheriff's Department seeking approval of the payment of \$65.00 for the purpose of membership dues to the Michigan Association of Polygraph Examiners for the year 1976. The three examiners for the Sheriff's Department have been members in the Association since its creation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

MOTION MADE BY DE GRENDL, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE PAYMENT OF \$75.00 TO THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF POLYGRAPH EXAMINERS FOR MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR THREE EXAMINERS OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

John C. Hramiec, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee
Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 24, 1976

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held on Tuesday, February 24, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, VanderPutten, Walsh and VerKuilen

Not present was Commissioner Zoccola, who requested to be excused.

Also Present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer
Ray Myslakowski

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 A.M. by Chairman Back.

In accordance with adopted procedure Chairman Back declared a 5 minute review period for the Finance Sub-committee report and bill listing.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Underwood, supported by Plutter to approve the Board Chairman's per diems for the period February 7 thru February 20, 1976, as submitted. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was previously mailed the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared by the Controller's Office.

Commissioner Dane noted there is a second meeting scheduled this morning and in some case a third meeting for other Commissioners. He asked that the formality of going through the bills page by page be dispensed with this morning and any questions Commissioners may have be recognized.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Dane, supported by Tomlinson, to dispense with the page by page review of the semi-monthly bill listing. Motion carried with Commissioner VanderPutten voting "no".

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PLUTTER, SUPPORTED BY S. SABAUGH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,042,209.29 (WITH CORRECTIONS AND DELETIONS (SEE AMENDING MOTION THIS PAGE) AND/OR ADDITIONS) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; AND TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 6, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$801,960.72; FURTHER THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE ALLOCATED.

Commissioner DeGrendel questioned Vouchers 2-759 thru 2-762 (page 14) explained as Medical Examiner fees.

Mr. Diegel indicated medical examiner fees relate to death certificate completion. Dr. Spitz, of Wayne County, performs autopsies when they are necessary.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh noted there was nothing listed under the Board of Commissioners for postage costs.

Mr. Diegel explained postage is centrally metered; its an accounting allocation.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh also referred to Page 15, all vouchers pertaining to attorney fees. He indicated the Judiciary/Wills & Estates Sub-committee will be meeting tomorrow (2/25/76) and is scheduled to discuss Guardian Ad Litem fees as well as attorney fees. Commissioner S. Sabaugh asked if it would be possible to hold payment of these bills in abeyance at this time only due to the pending discussion.

Mr. Diegel said it would present no problem.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by S. Sabaugh, supported by Dane, to hold in abeyance payment of attorney fees as listed under Mentally Ill - Account 651, pending discussion by the Judiciary?Wills & Estates Sub-committee. Motion carried.

Commissioner VanderPutten questioned the placement of voucher 2-788 (page 7) for RCA Parts & Accessories in the amount of \$547.66 as a bill charged to Equalization Department. Mr. Diegel said this was an error and that the bill should be listed under and changed to the Radio Department.

Commissioner VanderPutten questioned numerous vouchers on page 12 and 13 for vehicle repairs on Sheriff's cars totaling over \$2,000.

Mr. Diegel explained the following:

Voucher 2-744, Mt. Clemens Dodge in the amount of \$826.63 is a monthly statement and encompasses 6 individual repair bills. It represents major and some minor repairs.

In response to Commissioner VanderPutten, Mr. Diegel said in this case the cars were taken to the dealer from which they were purchased. No bids were taken for repair work.

Voucher 2-699 to Sheehy's Mobil Service in the amount of \$488.99 is also a monthly statement and reflects 20 different repair and/or maintenance services.

Voucher 2-733 to McCallum's Sunoco Service in the amount of \$593.25 is also a monthly statement and incorporates at least 20 repair and/or maintenance services.

Commissioner VanderPutten, upon request, was advised that the county does not perform any small repair or maintenance work on vehicles, its all done on the outside. He asked if there were any possibilities of having facilities to do some of the small repairs and/or maintenance in house.

Mr. Diegel explained this has been studied as relates to the Rehabilitation Center. It's a possibility but there's always a question on sabotage.

A vote was called on the motion as amended. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Hramiec, supported by S. Sabaugh, to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 A.M. Motion carried.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee
Reporter

BUDGET COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 24, 1976

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Budget Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Budget Committee held on Tuesday, February 24, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building - Board of Commissioners' conference room the following members were present:

Walsh-Chairman, Grove, Back, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, Underwood, VanderPutten and VerKuilen

Not present was Commissioner Zoccola who requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer
Raymond Myslakowski

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Walsh.

SEVEN-MONTH CONTRACT - EMS COORDINATOR

Committee was previously mailed background material and an excerpt of the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee meeting minutes of January 21, 1976 wherein a recommendation was made to extend for seven months the contract of the EMS Coordinator (February 29 thru September 30, 1976).

Chairman Walsh called committee's attention to an error in the seven-month EMS Budget sent to committee. Rather than the \$19,500 yearly salary reflected, the figure should be \$18,500. This correction carried through the budget would result in the total amount requested for a seven-month period of approximately \$14,200 rather than \$14,819.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY UNDERWOOD, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS EXTEND THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) COORDINATOR'S CONTRACT FOR THE SEVEN MONTHS (FEBRUARY 29 THRU SEPTEMBER 30, 1976) AT THE CORRECTED COST FIGURE OF APPROXIMATELY \$14,200. MOTION CARRIED.

INCREASED COST OF AUTOPSIES HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Committee was also in receipt of an excerpt of the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee minutes of January 21, 1976 wherein a recommendation was made to approve an increase in the contract cost for autopsies performed by Dr. Spitz, Wayne County Medical Examiner. The increase requested for up to 100 autopsies is \$795 (from \$17,500 to \$18,295).

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY FRANCHUK, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR AUTOPSIES AT AN INCREASED COST OF \$795 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$18,295.00. MOTION CARRIED.

COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Committee was provided with an excerpt of the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee minutes of January 21, 1976, wherein a referral was made to consider the Area Agency on Aging's request for county matching funds.

FEBRUARY 27, 1976

In summary, the Area Agency on Aging 1-B's request for the Macomb County Board of Commissioners is as follows:

A. Continuation Period 7/1/76 - 9/30/76 -----\$ 625.00

B. FY-1976 -- 10/1/76 - 9/30/77 -- Formula Base 3,950.00

Total request \$ 4,575.00

In response to questions, Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he is under the impression the \$3,950 has been granted previously and today's request is for \$625 to cover the 3 month gap due to a change in the Federal Fiscal Year.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DANE, SUPPORTED BY BEDARD TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE FUND REQUEST OF THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$625.00. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked the Controller for a report on the affects to the County due to repeal of the business inventory tax.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Franchuk, supported by Tarnowski, to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 A.M. Motion carried.

Michael J. Walsh, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 26, 1976

Commissioner Dane abstained from voting on the adoption of this Committee's recommendations. Committee report follows:

February 26, 1976

TO: THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FROM: Raymond Trombley, Chairman
Public Works & Transportation Committee

SUBJECT: Public Works & Transportation recommendations
meeting of Thursday, February 26, 1976

At a meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee held Thursday, February 26, 1976, committee discussed at length several agenda items and their recommendations to the Full Board concerning same are as follows:

(Please note: The necessity of presenting these recommendations to the Board for concurrence this morning prohibits formulation of a detailed report, however, the official minutes (retained only in the Board of Commissioners' office) of the meeting will include all pertinent discussion.)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PURCHASE OF:

1. FOUR (4) FIVE DRAWER LETTER SIZE FILES FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AT A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$440.00.
2. FIVE (5) FIVE DRAWER LEGAL SIZE FILES FOR JUVENILE COURT AT A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$635.00.

AND AUTHORIZE THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE TO GO OUT FOR BIDS AND AWARD SAME NOT TO EXCEED THE AFOREMENTIONED COSTS. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE RENEWAL OF THE SERVICE AND INSPECTION CONTRACT WITH GORDON E. DOULE CORPORATION FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE FIRE CONTROL SYSTEM - COURT BUILDING. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #1 - JUVENILE COURT, WHICH CREDITS THE COUNTY'S CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,023.00. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CHANGE

ORDER #102 & #104 - REHABILITATION CENTER, WHICH CREDITS THE COUNTY'S CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,425.00. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,431.19 TO ELLIS/NAEYAERT ASSOCIATES FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROBATE COURT BUILDING. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT OF \$76,140.00 TO HICKSON-COSTIGAN, INC. FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE JUVENILE COURT BUILDING CONTRACT. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER PURSUANT TO THE VENTILATION SYSTEM - MARTHA T. BERRY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE CONTROLLER'S PROJECT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS AS CONTAINED IN CORRESPONDENCE DATED FEBRUARY 26, 1976 AND AUTHORIZE THE CONTROLLER TO PROCEED IN CONTACTING ARCHITECTS; FURTHER THAT WRITTEN COMMUNICATION BE MADE WITH THE STATE ADVISING OF THE COUNTY'S INTENTIONS TO ALLEVIATE DEFICIENCIES IN THE VENTILATION SYSTEM. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Walsh, supported by McHenry, to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 A.M. Motion carried.

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 18, 1976

This report had been excluded from the action of the Board to adopt all the other Committee reports presented today and was discussed at this time. The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee.

Commissioner Franchuk requested a point a special privilege on the rules and regulations governing the sport of racing pigeons and allow Ralph Kaiser and Louis Pattyn to speak on said rules.

Commissioner Johnson requested, for background information, if Merlin Damon or Dr. Brown could speak or outline the proposed rules before Mr. Kaiser also speaks on same.

Commissioner Granchuk reminded the Board that the proposed rules are attached to the Committee report, but agreed, if it would be helpful to the Board to let Mr. Damon speak first.

Merlin Damon advised that in 1973, racing homer pigeon owners requested legislation and on April 1, 1974 said requested legislation became law (P.A. 57 of 1974). Mr. Damon read the preamble to this law, "An Act relating to the sport of racing and carrier pigeons; authorizing the flying of such pigeons; and providing for regulation thereof by cities, villages, townships and counties." He further advised that the differences here today seems to be on two definitions in the implementation of the law.

Commissioner Johnson asked if country type laws are going to be impressed on city type people?

Mr. Damon answered that many rural area residents of the county do keep or use Homers that are not raced, but the law does not make a distinction.

Mr. Kaiser was about to speak when Commissioner Back stated that there already was a Committee meeting and public hearing on this. He then moved, that this matter be referred back to Committee for report and recommendation.

Commissioner Back withdrew his motion and supported a motion by Commissioner Hramiec, to concur with Committee's recommendation and adopt the proposed rules and regulations for racing pigeons as submitted.

Mr. Kaiser, when allowed to speak, stated that what he wished to discuss with the Board this morning is something that we just recently found out about. He went on to explain that "we" are a couple of individuals interested in this. I have about 3,000 birds myself.

Commissioner Tomlinson questioned why this couldn't go back to Committee and then they come back with their recommendation.

Commissioner Hramiec then withdrew his motion to adopt the proposed rules and regulations as submitted.

Commissioner Walsh questioned Mr. Kaiser on several things and mentioned the fact a public hearing had already been held on this matter. Commissioner Walsh continued, that he would hate to see additional expense involved by referring back to Committee and so on. We acted on pigeon racers, raisers and fanciers to accommodate them. He advised Mr. Kaiser that he already had an opportunity to speak on this. I do not see justification to do anything on this for you.

Commissioner Franchuk reiterated that Mr. Kaiser is here today and he just wants an opportunity to speak on something now...that's all.

Commissioner McCarthy said this has gone through proper rules and procedure concerning this matter.

Commissioner Franchuk responded that Mr. Kaiser is merely requesting clarification of several things on the rules promulgated by this Board. He does intend to go to the State also.

Commissioner VanderPutten agreed with Commissioner Walsh and indicated he was ready to approve the proposed rules and regulations now.

Commissioner Tomlinson withdrew his motion to refer this matter back and asked that this gentleman go back to Committee for advisement.

Commissioner Back agreed with Commissioner Tomlinson and suggested the route to take.

Mr. Kaiser said they would like a 60 day delay to enable them to go back to the State to clarify.

Motion was then made by Hramiec, that the Committee report be received, filed and recommendations, including the proposed "Macomb County Rules and Regulations Governing the Sport of Racing and Carrier Pigeons" as presented, be adopted. Motion supported by VanderPutten. The motion carried with Commissioners Franchuk, Johnson and DeGrendel voting "no".

Commissioner Franchuk advised that his "no" vote does not indicate his opposition to the rules for racing pigeons but for not allowing or affording Mr. Kaiser the opportunity to speak at this time.

The Committee report follows:

Report of the
Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee
February 18, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee held on Wednesday, February 18, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Johnson-Chairman, Bedard, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, McCarthy, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Underwood, VanderPutten and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners R. Sabaugh and Trombley, who asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Merlin Damon, Director, Environmental Division
Dr. Leland Brown, Director, Health Department
Ray McPeters, Chief Civil Counsel
Commissioner Michael Walsh, Health Board Member
Dr. Irene Gromack, Macomb County Epilepsy Association
Joe Ellis, Macomb County Epilepsy Association
Sandy Plichta, Macomb County Epilepsy Association
Nan Schmelzer, Macomb County Epilepsy Association

At this point in the meeting, Commissioner VanderPutten introduced the ladies from the Macomb County Epilepsy Association who were present to show slides on how epilepsy affects the lives of people in the community.

Chairman Johnson called on Dr. Irene Gromack to further explain their program. Dr. Gromack explained the difficulties that a person has who is afflicted with epilepsy when they apply for a job. There is now a procedure whereby a person who has epilepsy can go to a Vocational Rehabilitation Services Office and fill out a card on which a doctor certifies that that person has epilepsy. That person would then go to the employer and tell them that they have a special card from the VRS Office that will save the employer money. The person will be under Workmen's Compensation for a period of 104 weeks. After that time, if that person sustains a job related injury, that person would be taken over by the State of Michigan. Under the second injury laws, the state would pay additional compensation for that disability. The employer has to call and verify that he is employing the epileptic person and before the first 60 days are up, the second injury law takes affect immediately.

Dr. Gromack explained that they have shown slides to three St. Clair School Board Administrations and it has been shown in several elementary schools. They need more showings in the schools. There are many people who do not know what to do in the event a person has an epileptic seizure. When the slides have been shown they have been very well received.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY BEDARD, THAT DR. GROMACK CONSULT WITH THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND COMMISSIONER JOHNSON IN PREPARING A LETTER, UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, TO BE SENT TO ALL PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYERS IN THE COUNTY, POINTING OUT THE PROBLEMS OF PERSONS WITH EPILEPSY WHO SEEK EMPLOYMENT, AS WELL AS THE WAYS TO COMBAT THOSE PROBLEMS, AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING THE SPORT OF RACING AND CARRIER PIGEONS

Mr. Damon explained that the Bill introduced in Lansing was introduced at the request of the Carrier Pigeon Association for the purpose of making the sport of raising and racing pigeons legal in any community. Prior to this time, certain of the communities in their zoning regulations would say that racing pigeons were fowl and the raising of fowl is prohibited in certain areas. The purpose of the law was to eliminate that particular item so that it would become a legal sport, so to speak, in any community. This is the basis behind the law that was passed in 1974. The law would pass all responsi-

bility to the local health departments.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh asked Mr. Damon what his recommendation would be and what course of action was he expecting the committee to take.

Mr. Damon replied that he gave his opinion two years ago. He said he felt the law itself should be under the control of the State Department of Agriculture. They could pass it on down to the Animal Control Division. The HEEW Committee went on record supporting that type of action and the law was passed as you see it today.

Chairman Johnson said for a period of three years meetings were held on this matter. The county will carry out this responsibility and charge a licensing fee of \$15 every three years. There have been several meetings of the Pigeon Flyers Association who came in and made their side of things known, and the county concurred in general with those recommendations. It will keep their sport in excellent condition, but keeping the public nuisances down. He said he would recommend its adoption.

Commissioner Gavin said after reading the material over, he is upset over it. He said five different communities had to get involved. There were many meetings dealing with the rules and he said he thought it was a tremendous cost and can't see the taxpayers getting any benefit from this. After the department makes its inspection, the county appoints a review board. They have to be paid their per diems. He said he can't see a \$15 registration fee or a \$25 appeal fee. He said he thought both of those fees ought to be increased.

Chairman Johnson said he has had a lot of experience with the pigeon flyer groups and if this is not regulated, people will be cramming a lot of pigeons in small coups. The state has indicated that this not be part of the Poultry Act and pigeon flyers don't want it. If it is regulated they can keep their pigeons and if it is not regulated it can become a nuisance. He said he thought \$15 was a reasonable fee. He said he would hope that after all this work, the law would be passed.

Mr. Damon said the Bill is something that is needed in regulations now. One of the regulations has been questioned in court. The appeal section is based on that information and also based on what this committee and the Board of Commissioners did three years ago when they went through the air pollution regulations. As far as the per diems are concerned, the regulations say you may pay a per diem. It doesn't say you have to.

Commissioner Underwood said he sees nothing wrong with the rules and regulations.

Mr. Damon pointed out that the \$15 fee can be adjusted from time to time. The \$25 fee in the rules as relates to appeals is in the regulations. If the Board wishes to make a different fee this will have to go to the Board of Health.

Mr. McPeters said he really didn't come prepared to discuss this matter today, but in the event the fee is to be changed, it has to be recommended and passed by the Board of Health and referred to the Board of Commissioners for concurrence or rejection.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FRANCHUK, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO APPROVE THE MACOMB COUNTY RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SPORT OF RACING AND CARRIER PIGEONS AS ADOPTED BY THE MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH ON FEBRUARY 9, 1976 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN SAME.

Commissioner Gavin thought perhaps Section 3.2 states that per diem compensation may be paid to members of the Appeal Board, perhaps that compensation part should be eliminated and those five people appointed without compensation. The person making the appeal has to pay \$25 to cover the cost of the appeal hearing. Further, it says, the county has to pay compensation. Perhaps the way to resolve it, is to pay a smaller amount in compensation. He asked if this matter could be sent back to the Health Board for their opinion. A vote was called for on the preceding motion AND THE MOTION CARRIED with Commissioner Gavin voting NO. (see 2-27-76 meeting file for copy of the rules and regulations)

EQUIPMENT ITEMS AND REPLACEMENTS TO MAINTAIN HEALTH DEPARTMENT INVENTORY THROUGH 1976

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the Health Department seeking permission to purchase various items of equipment at a total cost of \$1,924.00.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT AT A TOTAL COST OF \$1,924.00 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED. (see 2-27-76 meeting file for copy of the equipment items)

LETTER FROM CHIEF CIVIL COUNSEL RE RULES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS RE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Chairman Johnson called on Chief Civil Counsel Ray McPeters to explain these rules and regulations.

Mr. McPeters explained that Act 258 of 1974 of the Mental Health Code provides that the Board of Commissioners adopt rules, procedures and regulations affecting the Community Mental Health Program of the County of Macomb, which will insure that people entitled to those services will not be denied service on the basis of race, color, nationality, religious or political beliefs, sex or age, nor ability to pay.

Mr. McPeters continued. The reporting to the Board of Commissioners will be done in accordance with Rules and Regulations and appointment to the Mental Health Board will be in accordance with Act 258 of the Public Acts of 1974 and regulations and rules of procedure adopted by the Board of Commissioners. He added to the Rules and Regulations that the reporting to the Board of Commissioners be both written and oral by the Director of the Mental Health Services Program and also that the budget and annual plans submitted to the Board of Commissioners include a provision that the Mental Health Board shall furnish to the Board of Commissioners a summary of the amount of money that it will cost the county to operate the program, including a summary of the receipts received from the Federal government as well as the state and county, so that this Board of Commissioners may be advised if the state is living up to its commitment in furnishing 90% of the cost of the program.

Chairman Johnson pointed out that the proposed regulations have gone through the sub-committee system of the Mental Health Board as well as the Mental Health Board itself and this is a recommendation from the Mental Health Board to adopt this. There does, however, have to be a public hearing.

Commissioner McCarthy wished to call attention to one thing under Rule 104, the County Director appointment, it states that the Mental Health Board shall appoint a county director of the Mental Health Program but it does not say that this appointment shall be confirmed by the Board of Commissioners and asked if this is because of the law or because it is written that way.

Mr. McPeters stated that it does not require confirmation by the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner McCarthy said what concerns him is that whoever is appointed to this particular Board would have the authority to do what he sees fit without confirmation of the Board of Commissioners and in so doing, the County Director does not necessarily have to fulfill the programs that the Board of Commissioners would want established within the county.

Mr. McPeters said he tried to accomplish a monitoring of the programs by placing budget and physical controls on the Mental Health Board and specifically referred to Rules 106 and 107. He said it is his feeling with this type of constraints that the Board of Commissioners would have some type of control over the Mental Health Board. You do not have control over its director. There is no other way that is available to get down to that level except through budget controls.

Chairman Johnson pointed out that the public elects the Prosecutor and Sheriff and the only control the Board has is through the budget. The state is contributing 90% of the funds. The state gives and controls. The Mental Health Board does operate under strict rules in order to qualify for that money. It is actually a combination of state-county agency.

Commissioner McCarthy said the government is turning more and more away from elected officials and going to appointed officials. Rules and Regulations are being drawn up and he feels that the Board of Commissioners should have a little more say over their boards and commissions. He said rules are made and controlled by the Board of Commissioners but there is nothing in the rules as drawn up by Mr. McPeters where it says that the Board can confirm the appointment of the Mental Health Director.

Mr. McPeters said he thought he could put that clause in Rule 105, but the statute is specific in that the Community Mental Health Board has authority to appoint the Director. The Board will approve or disapprove the salary schedules, although the statute is specific that the authority for appointment lies solely with the Mental Health Board.

Mr. McPeters said he could append to Rule 105 an additional paragraph relative to submitting to the Board for its consideration, the Director and his appointment. However, the Board should bear in mind, it doesn't have the final say. It is the Mental Health Board who does. What he was trying to accomplish in the rules was to insure that the Board of Commissioners receive the necessary information, both written and oral, from the Mental Health Board and its Director, relative to the programs and services available to the county people and what the cost is and who is paying for it. Mr. McPeters pointed out that the statute requires that three public hearings be held on the Rules and Regulations before they are approved by the Board of Commissioners. If the Board is in agreement with the rules and regulations, copies are to be made available to the public through the Office of the County Clerk and that notices be published in the paper on when the hearings will be held, which could be concurrent with regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners if the agenda is open.

Mr. Gavin referred to Rule 108 wherein it refers to a person being denied service because of inability to pay and asked if a person is able to pay would he be denied service for one reason or another and then be referred to another agency.

Mr. McPeters said that they have a schedule of fees which has been adopted by the Board relative to ability to pay. People who do have the ability to pay will pay.

Chairman Johnson pointed out that a motion is needed to approve these rules and regulations and for the approval of three public hearings to be held.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF CHIEF CIVIL COUNSEL AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SCHEDULE THREE CONSECUTIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE STATUTE, TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED RULES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS UPON COMPLETION OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. MOTION CARRIED.

(copy of the Rules as prepared by Chief Civil Counsel are contained in the 2-27-76 meeting file)

ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED
TO THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Committee was in receipt of two additional applications to the Substance Abuse Council, they being Frederic J. Blanchard and Raymond F. Rollet.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY FRANCHUK, THAT THE APPLICATIONS OF FREDERICK J. BLANCHARD AND RAYMOND F. ROLLET BE CONSIDERED FOR THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Johnson called attention to the fact that there still are two unfilled vacancies on the Substance Abuse Board.

PROGRESS REPORT ON RAPE INFORMATION PROJECT

Commissioner Gavin said he would like to know the plans for the continuation of the rape program in the county. Things sometimes do change and although it is funded on a yearly basis and it is not before this committee at this time for reconfirmation because it is in the middle of the year, the program goes on to July. He said two weeks ago he received information from the Federal Government, in answer to the committee's request of last year, wherein the government has passed an Act providing a national center for the control of rape. Part of the program so far is to give out grant money to Community Mental Health Services who are providing educational programs on rape. They have three million dollars which they wish to grant. Last October this committee and the Board of Commissioners did approve of applying for the grant when the money was available. It is available now. The deadline for applying for the grant is March 1. Since this has already been approved, the next move should be to fill out the application for the grant.

Commissioner McCarthy stated that since a motion was made in October on the federal funds, he would entertain another motion at this time, along the same lines.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY GAVIN, THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD CONTACT ROBERT NYOVICH AND THAT PLANS BE MADE TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL MONEY TO CONTINUE ON WITH THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM ON RAPE AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Johnson said if he interprets Norm Hill's letter correctly, he is asking if the Board of Commissioners wishes to continue the present rape program.

Chairman of the Board VerKuilen said he thought the program goes to June 30 and by making application for the grant, the county will be better able to determine what funds are available. That would give us some direction in which way to go. Based on the motion that was made in October to apply for the Federal monies, and inasmuch as the Federal monies are now available, he will make sure an application does get in.

There being no further business to come to the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

Patrick J. Johnson, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee Reporter

RESOLUTIONS:

CIVIL COUNSEL RE CORRECTION OF MINUTES - RESOLUTION NO. 1304-A

Civil Counsel Blomberg advised the meeting that the Commissioners' Proceedings of October 28, 1975 should be corrected to indicate the resolution concerning the establishment of a normal lake elevation of 731.00 for Huntington Lake, Shelby Township, was adopted and not referred back to Committee.

Motion was made by Back, supported by McHenry, to correct the Board of Commissioners' Proceedings of October 28, 1975, to distinguish the resolution concerning the establishment of a normal lake elevation of 731.00 for Huntington Lake, Shelby Township as approved and adopted at that time and not referred back to Committee. On voice vote, ayes all and motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1312 - COMMENDATION TO FRED K. MC DANIEL

A resolution was presented wherein Fred K. McDaniel is commended by the Board of Commissioners for outstanding public service. Motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by Back, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1313 - COMMENDATION TO MRS. KARL BUSSE

Commissioners McCarthy and Walsh offered for consideration this resolution, commending Mrs. Karl Busse for outstanding volunteer community service. Motion was made by McCarthy, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Motion supported by S. Sabaugh and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1314 - SEEKING REIMBURSEMENT FOR CONDUCTING
MAY PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

This resolution was prepared and presented for consideration by the Board. Commissioner Gavin moved to oppose Section C of this resolution. There was no support offered Com-

missioner Gavin's motion.

Motion was made by McHenry, supported by Caruso, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Ayes all, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT
TO FILL COUNTY COMMISSIONER VACANCY
DISTRICT 2

The Chair called for nominations to fill the vacancy in County Commissioner District 2.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh nominated Raymond Myslakowski. He advised of his nomination because he has been impressed with Mr. Myslakowski's performance since he's been a member on this Board and particularly with his concern for senior citizens and rising costs. The people of Center Line and Warren voted and elected Mr. Myslakowski in full awareness that his residency was questionable. Because the people elected him...that's my basis for nominating him now.

The Chair called twice more for any other nominations.

Commissioner Grove placed the name of Stephen Okros in nomination.

Commissioner DeGrendel questioned receipt of a letter from a Thomas DeLamielleure requesting consideration for appointment to the Board. Commissioner DeGrendel continued that said letter was placed in his "pigeon hole" and only discovered this morning.

Chairman VerKuilen apologized and advised that this letter was handed to him late yesterday, placed in his pocket and forgotten until this morning. When asked, Mr. DeLamielleure sitting in the audience, concurred. Copies were then made, the Chairman continued, and placed in each of the Commissioner's pigeon holes.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh moved that nominations be closed. Motion supported by Walsh and carried.

The Chair polled the nominees for acceptance of their nomination. Raymond Myslakowski answered yes; Stephen Okros was not present.

Commissioner Grove stated, because Stephen Okros was not present and apparently not interested in the appointment, he is withdrawing his nomination of Mr. Okros. I think he should have been here today, Commissioner Grove remarked.

Commissioner Tomlinson said he made a statement last Tuesday regarding his desire to see a third candidate. He then stated the following:

"On February 11th three Appellate Court Judges upheld a Circuit Court decision that; 1) The person from District 2 was not a resident of the district which he was to represent at the time he filed for office. At the filing time he signed an affidavit and swore to the fact that he was a resident of District 2. 2) The person from District 2 was not a registered voter of District 2 which he was to represent at the time he filed for office. At this filing time he signed an affidavit swearing to the fact that he was a registered voter of that district. And now most ironically our Macomb County Board of Commissioners are considering the appointment of this person who was found guilty of these violations.

I cannot in good conscience vote for this man and I know for certain that the vast majority of citizens of Macomb County feel it inconceivable that the Board of Commissioners could possibly appoint a man who signed a false affidavit as ruled by the Courts. The appointment of this man would be a mockery of state and county election laws and another black eye for elected officials. The general public has little faith in elected officials and for us to condone an illegal act by appointing the candidate to the same office would justify their mistrust.

I would like to cite at this point the resignation of a Supreme Court Justice, a man who had proven his worth for untold years, from public office due to a perjury conviction. John Swainson did the honorable thing, he stepped down from the Supreme Court while appealing the decision. I cite the case of the downfall of the Nixon administration which began with a lie.

We are a government of law by the people, for the benefit of all the people, not a select few, and the laws under which we are governed were violated.

I want my NO vote recorded and published for the record.

I further demand the restitution of 14 months pay of the taxpayers' money which was illegally taken and that the person in question be cited for possible perjury."

Commissioner Walsh asked Commissioner Tomlinson if he hired an attorney or talked to the Prosecuting Attorney on this. If what you've said is true, did they indicate that prosecution was in order. I want to know before I vote...

Commissioner Tomlinson stated, "I stand on my statement".

Commissioner Walsh responded that he understood a civil situation but a criminal violation he did not. I must only conclude what the Prosecuting Attorney said. I don't really know, Commissioner Tomlinson won't say. The seat is vacant and we are here today to fill that vacancy. A man has been nominated, I call for a vote.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh indicated much concern about the accusations and references made by a fellow Commissioner. We have an obligation to fill the vacancy. He again commended Mr. Myslakowski and continued by saying, to throw out things like "perjury" is some pretty rough stuff. There seems to be a personality conflict here...you better have some basis of fact for your accusations.

Commissioner Trombley asked if there is any legal advice Counsel could offer.

Civil Counsel Blomberg stated that both he and Mr. McPeters have discussed this matter. He then read the section of law concerning this matter, C.L. 46.412, Section 12.

"When a vacancy occurs in the office of commissioner by death, resignation, removal from the district or removal from office, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment within 30 days by the county board of commissioners of a resident and registered voter of that district. The person so appointed shall serve until the vacancy is filled at a special election called by the county board of commissioners or for the unexpired term of office. A special election to fill the vacancy shall not be held less than 180 days prior to the expiration of a term of office.

Counsel advised, if a vote is taken, that a special election date be selected.

Several Commissioners questioned Civil Counsel on the interpretation of this law.

Commissioner Trombley questioned, if we don't fill this office or vacancy now, then a special election will do so?

Civil Counsel said, yes.

Commissioner Johnson asked if his assumption that there is no legal impediment to appoint Mr. Myslakowski was correct.

Mr. Blomberg answered, right. In the absence of any stay of proceedings, a vacancy will currently exist.

Commissioner Dane stated that in his opinion, because of the charges made and discussion held, it would not be irregular or unprecedented to have Mr. Myslakowski make a statement or reaction. The Chairman indicated that would be out of order.

Commissioner McCarthy cited a similar situation on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners. He stated that he was quoted in a newspaper as saying the chances were 60-40 in Okros' favor. Since that time, Commissioner McCarthy continued, I have been bombarded with telephone calls by the people of that district that has now reversed my prediction. The majority of those I spoke with were much in favor of Mr. Myslakowski and were in fact, knowing of his questionable residency at the time of his election. With all due respect to Mr. Okros, this issue will only be resolved at the polls.

Commissioner Plutter stated that his vote will be "no", but he has no personal grudge against either gentleman.

Commissioner Gavin also commented on the Wyane County Board of Commissioners' suit. Three vacancies were filled by the Board and the Republican Party is now demanding that an election be held.

Mr. Underwood advised that he is voting for Ray Myslakowski and he has been friends with Steve Okros for years.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh questioned, we must schedule a special election?

Counsel Blomberg answered that a special election to fill the vacancy shall not be held less than 180 days prior to the expiration of the term of office. In Mr. VanderPutten's case, we scheduled the special election to coincide with the primary election in St. Clair Shores so as to save expense.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh cited the many upcoming elections and possible conflicts.

Commissioner Caruso asked if it would be possible to appoint for a specific time...like until July?

Counsel answered, no.

Commissioner Dane advised that he sits here very bewildered. I made a commitment to no one regarding this appointment. Those who have, have indicated so. There is only one person nominated and yet people are abstaining, etc. What's the problem? I don't understand.

On roll call vote to appoint Raymond Myslakowski to County Commissioner District 2: Underwood - yes; R. Sabaugh - yes; S. Sabaugh - yes; Walsh - yes; Dane - yes; McCarthy - yes; Gavin - yes; Caruso - yes; Plutter - no; DeGrendel - abstain; Franchuk - yes; Trombley - yes; Daner - yes; Hramiec - yes; Bedard - yes; Grove - yes; Zoccola - yes; Tarnowski - yes; McHenry - no; Back - yes; VanderPutten - yes; Tomlinson - no; Johnson - yes; VerKuilen - yes.

The votes cast were 20 - yes, 3 - no and 1 abstention. Mr. Myslakowski was appointed.

Commissioner Walsh moved that Mr. Myslakowski be appointed by acclamation. The Chair advised that this could not be done because of roll call vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Bedard moved, supported by Walsh, that the five day rule be waived so the Board of Commissioners can consider for adoption the following resolution as read by Chairman VerKuilen. Motion carried:

A RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION AND SUPPORT FOR STATE
SENATOR JOHN T. BOWMAN'S POSITION RELATIVE TO SENATE BILL #931

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

WHEREAS, State Senator John T. Bowman, Chairman of the Taxation Committee of the Michigan State Senate, has publicly opposed the passage of Senate Bill #931, and,

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Macomb County agree with Senator Bowman that legislation permitting a non-elected agency to impose a tax on the citizens of our County without their advice and consent is a blatantly undemocratic procedure, and,

WHEREAS, this legislation, opposed by Senator Bowman and Macomb County, would allow the expenditure of monies collected by taxes not approved by our citizens and furthermore, without any future control of the non-elected bureaucracy by the people of Macomb County, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Macomb County Board of Commissioners proclaim their commendation of State Senator John T. Bowman and his fight against Senate Bill \$931.

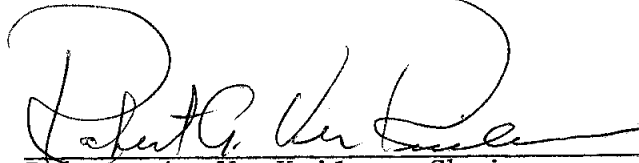
Much discussion ensued on the inclusion in the resolution of all the county's legislators.

It was Commissioner Bedard's opinion that to have had it read into the record in fact reflects the Board's commendation to Senator Bowman.

No action was taken regarding adoption of this resolution.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by VanderPutten, that the meeting adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:55 A.M.


Robert A. VerKuilen, Chairman


Edna Miller, Clerk

FEBRUARY 27, 1976

PUBLIC HEARING
 PROPOSED RULES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS
 RE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
 COUNTY OF MACOMB

A Public Hearing regarding the proposed rules, procedures and regulations re Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb was held on Friday, February 27, 1976 in the Macomb County Board of Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. At 9:00 A.M., Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen requested the Clerk call the roll. The following members were present:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoecola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

A quorum of the Commission being present, the Chairman announced that the Public Hearing was open.

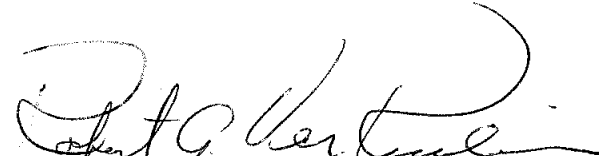
Civil Counsel McPeters stated that notification was placed in The Macomb Daily advising of three (3) Public Hearing dates to be held February 27, March 9 and March 23, 1976 regarding the proposed rules, procedures and regulations concerning Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb.

Chairman VerKuilen asked if anyone wished to be heard on this matter.

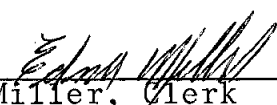
Commissioner Johnson stated that because the HEEW Committee and Health & Mental Health Sub-committees have researched and studied these proposed rules and regulations, that he would like to move for their approval and adoption.

Chairman VerKuilen advised that this could not be done now as there are two more Public Hearings scheduled.

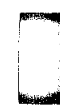
The Chairman called thrice for anyone else to speak on the proposed rules, procedures and regulations. When no one else requested to speak, the Chairman declared the Hearing closed.



 Robert A. VerKuilen, Chairman



 Edna Miller, Clerk



MARCH 9, 1976

PUBLIC HEARING
 PROPOSED RULES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS
 RE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
 COUNTY OF MACOMB

A Public Hearing regarding the proposed rules, procedures and regulations concerning Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb was held on Tuesday, March 9, 1976 in the Macomb County Board of Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. At 9:00 A.M., Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen requested the Clerk call the roll. The following members were present:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur J. Gavin	District 9
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

A quorum of the Commission being present, the Chairman announced that the Public Hearing was open.

The Chairman asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the proposed rules, procedures and regulations concerning Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb.

Commissioner Hramiec questioned what type of people, or a cross section of the type of people, the Mental Health Services help?


Chairman VerKuilen advised Commissioner Hramiec that his question was not pertinent to the proposed rules and regulations, the reason for this hearing.

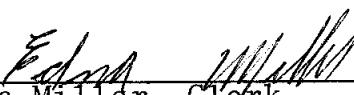
The Chair called twice more for anyone to speak on the proposed rules, procedures and regulations.

Commissioner Hramiec questioned the absence of any Mental Health people here today.

The Chairman stated that these are our (Board of Commissioners) proposed rules and regulations that if approved and adopted at the next scheduled Public Hearing on this matter (March 23, 1976), will have to be abided by the Mental Health staff.

Commissioner Grove moved, that because no one else requested to speak, the hearing be closed. Motion supported by Zoccola and carried.


 Robert A. VerKuilen, Chairman


 Edna Miller, Clerk

MARCH 23, 1976

PUBLIC HEARING
 PROPOSED RULES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS
 RE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
 COUNTY OF MACOMB

A Public Hearing regarding the proposed rules, procedures and regulations concerning Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb was held on Tuesday, March 23, 1976 in the Macomb County Board of Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. At 9:20 A.M., Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen requested the Clerk call the roll. The following members were present:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

Commissioner Franchuk was excused due to illness. A quorum of the Commission being present, the Chairman announced that the Public Hearing was open.

Chairman VerKuilen asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the proposed rules, procedures and regulations concerning Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb.

After calling twice more for anyone to speak and no response being heard, Commissioner VanderPutten moved that the Public Hearing be closed. Motion supported by Grove and carried.

Commissioner McCarthy stated he wished to offer an amendment to Rule 104 of the proposed rules. He read said rule incorporating the desired change (same being identified in capital letters):

Rule 104. County Director, appointment:

The County Community Mental Health Board shall (WITH PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS) appoint a county director of the Community Mental Health Program who shall, in addition to performing his statutory duties, carry out the general policy guidelines as promulgated by the Community Mental Health Board in implementation of the range of mental health services provided to county residents.

Commissioner McCarthy then moved that the proposed rules, procedures and regulations re Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb, as amended, be adopted and recommended to the Board of Commissioners for approval. Motion supported by Trombley.

Civil Counsel upon questioning, indicated that Commissioner McCarthy was correct in his assumption, notwithstanding the provisions of the statute.

Commissioner Johnson stated the Community Mental Health Board discussed the proposed rules and the State Statute. He indicated he disagreed with Civil Counsel when he said, notwithstanding the State Statute. The language of the amendment has not been discussed with the Mental Health Board. Commissioner Johnson then questioned Civil Counsel as to what the Statute says?

Civil Counsel read, Section 226 of Act 258 of Public Acts of 1974:

Sec. 226. Each county community mental health board shall:

- (i) Appoint a director of the county community mental health program who shall meet standards of training and experience established by the department...
- (j) Establish general policy guidelines within which the county director shall execute the county program.

Chairman VerKuilen stated that the Public Hearing is over and asked Commissioner McCarthy why he moved adoption of the amendment now?

Commissioner McCarthy responded that it was correct that any amendments be made after.

The Chairman indicated he was of the opinion that this should be done before not after.

Commissioner Back asked if his observations concerning the intent of Commissioner McCarthy's action was correct. That the Board of Commissioners will not act until they get a recommendation. This is a recommendation prior to any action of the Board. In adopting or approving this, the Board asks the Act 54 Board (now titled "mental health code") to not make any appointments until they receive prior approval of the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner McCarthy answered, in essence, yes.

On voice vote on the motion that the proposed rules, procedures and regulations re Community Mental Health Services within the County of Macomb, as amended, be adopted and recommended to the Board of Commissioners for approval, ayes all except Commissioner Johnson who voted no. The motion carried.

Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Caruso, to adjourn. Ayes all, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:45 A.M.


Robert A. Verkuilen, Chairman

Edna Miller, Clerk

MARCH 26, 1976

MACOMB COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

A Regular Meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Friday, March 26, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen called the meeting to order at 9:40 A.M. and the following members were present when the Clerk called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

A quorum of the Commission being present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

AGENDA

Motion was made by Dane, supported by Trombley, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

MINUTES--FEBRUARY 27, 1976

The minutes of the meeting held February 27, 1976 had been previously forwarded to each Commissioner and, there being no objections or corrections made thereto, motion was made by VanderPutten, that they be approved as presented. Motion supported by Myslakowski and carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE - MARCH 9, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendation made by this Committee. McCarthy, supported by Plutter, moved to receive and file the report and adopt the recommendation. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held on Tuesday, March 9, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Trombley, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and Verkuilen.

Not present were Commissioners Bedard, Tarnowski and Tomlinson, all of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer
Sam Cirmando, Court Administrator

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 A.M. by Chairman Back.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Plutter, supported by Daner, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems for the period February 21 through March 5, 1976. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$522,848.82 (WITH CORRECTIONS AND DELETIONS AND/OR ADDITIONS) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; AND TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 20, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$824,687.21; FURTHER THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE ALLOCATED.

Commissioner Walsh questioned page 19, an item under the Law Library to Don Miller in the amount of \$15 for an opinion.

Dave Diegel explained that this represented a payment to a court reporter who works for a Judge. He is not sure what Judge, however, the man is from outside of the county. Several Judges had requested an opinion and the only way to get a copy was to purchase the transcript.

Commissioner Trombley questioned Page 13 under the Marine Patrol in the amount of \$11.25 for 18 paint strainers.

Dave Diegel explained that these paint strainers were purchased by painters and the item should be chargeable to the Paint Shop.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh questioned voucher 3-30 on page 22 to Michigan Bell Telephone in the amount of \$635.17 and asked why the bill was so high.

Dave Diegel explained that the number is a direct line. It is a monthly bill. The base rate for the monthly service per month is \$503.00. That phone will eventually be part of Centrex.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he would like a report on this bill at the next meeting of this committee.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Caruso, supported by McHenry, to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 A.M. Motion carried.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - MARCH 9, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee and motion was made by McCarthy, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Motion supported by Franchuk and carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Personnel Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Personnel Committee held on Tuesday, March 9, 1976 on the second floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Franchuk-Chairman, Underwood, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Gavin, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Trombley, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were commissioners Bedard, Tarnowski and Tomlinson, all of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

Joe Zacharzewski, Director-Personnel/Labor Relations
John Shore, County Controller

There being a quorum of the Committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:05 A.M. by Chairman Franchuk.

VACANT OR SOON TO BE VACANT
BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Mr. Zacharzewski referred to his letter of February 27, 1976 (previously mailed to committee) in which the following positions were submitted for the Board's confirmation:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
One SC I/II position vacant March 1, 1976	Friend of the Court
One Security Officer, position vacant March 8, 1976 (retirement J. Works)	Controller's Office Facilities & Operations Division

CLASSIFICATION

DEPARTMENT

One Elevator Operator position vacant (T. Haynack) March 8, 1976, requesting this be authorized in lieu of E. Operator either Housekeeper or Custodian

Controller's Office
Facilities & Operations Division

One Nurse Aide position vacant February 13, 1976 (Judy Hill)

Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility
Center

One LPN position, vacant February 26, 1976 (Jennie Rapson)

Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility
Center

One Registered Physical Therapist position vacant March 11, 1976 (James Doeberling)

Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility
Center

One RN position vacant March 12, 1976 (Florraine Wright)

Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility
Center

One Turnkey position in lieu of Deputy vacant February 21, 1976 (Patrick LaFrata)

Macomb County Sheriff Department

In explaining these positions, Mr. Zacharzewski explained that while they were not in need of an elevator operator, because of the installation of the automated elevators, they wished to keep the position in the budget to be eventually filled as a housekeeper or custodian in the Facilities & Operations Division.

Commissioner Walsh asked why they should keep the position open at all at this time, and that they could hire someone when the need arises and asked Mr. Shore for his comments.

Mr. Shore said he would prefer not to comment at this time, inasmuch as he has not had a chance to talk to the Director of Facilities & Operations about his needs. The following motion was then made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFIRM VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS OUTLINED IN CORRESPONDENCE FROM HIM DATED FEBRUARY 27, 1976 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE ONE ELEVATOR OPERATOR POSITION VACANT, SAID POSITION TO BE FILLED BY A NEED FOR A HOUSEKEEPER OR CUSTODIAN, SUCH POSITION NOT TO BE CREATED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE COUNTY CONTROLLER SAYS THERE IS A NEED FOR SUCH A POSITION. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh was of the opinion that since the elevator position was a budgeted position, it wouldn't do any harm to keep it in the budget and find someone to fill the position.

Commissioner Walsh said what they are actually doing is eliminating one elevator position. They don't need it any more because of the automated elevators. Such time as the Controller thinks they need another housekeeper, they can come back to the Board and create the position. The reason they made the elevators automatic was to cut down costs.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he could see no problem. It is their job to save the taxpayers money and it is not their job to provide jobs when they are not needed. While he sympathizes with the unemployment problem, it is their job to cut costs.

Mr. Shore said he does not know where Mr. Maeder requires a housekeeper. He said he doesn't want to talk on it. If there is such a need he would bring it before the Public Works & Transportation Committee.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said what the committee would be doing is authorizing in lieu of an elevator operator a custodian or housekeeper. They wouldn't be trying to create a position they don't need.

Commissioner Walsh said when the time comes and the need is there, the position can be created.

At this point in the meeting Commissioner Grove made the following recommendation:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GROVE, SUPPORTED BY S. SABAUGH, THAT A RESOLUTION BE DRAWN UP COMMENDING JIM WORKS FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COUNTY AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Walsh, supported by VanderPutten, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 A.M. Motion carried.

Walter Franchuk, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee Reporter

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - MARCH 11, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. Commissioner S. Sabaugh questioned Commissioner VanderPutten's abstention from voting on the first recommendation, as indicated in the Committee report. Board Chairman VerKuilen advised that Commissioner VanderPutten abstained from voting on that particular recommendation as a relative of his also submitted a bid concerning same. Motion was made by Trombley, supported by McCarthy, that the report be received, filed and recommendation adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Public Works & Transportation Committee
to the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee held on Thursday, March 11, 1976 on the second floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Trombley-Chairman, Gavin, Bedard, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, McHenry,
R. Sabaugh, Underwood, VanderPutten, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were Commissioners Caruso, Tomlinson and Walsh who asked to be excused.

John Shore, County Controller
Al Blomberg, Director Civil Counsel
Phil Anderson, Attorney at Law
Tom Strat, Architect (Tom Strat & Associates)
Robert Maeder, Director-Facilities & Operations
John Gray, Road Commission
Paul Riley, State Highway Department
Ben VanHaelst, Warren Engineer
Bernard Lysakowski, Warren Planning Department
Jerry Schmeiser, Warren Planning Department

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:45 A.M. by Chairman Trombley.

REPAIR OF INCINERATOR AT ANIMAL SHELTER

Mr. Maeder explained that the incinerator in need or repair was the one installed in 1971. They are running one incinerator at the present time and would like to get the second one repaired so that they will always have a spare. The Purchasing Department received two bids, one in the amount of \$5,440 and the other in the amount of \$4,800.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE TO AWARD THE JOB OF THE REPAIR OF THE INCINERATOR AT THE ANIMAL SHELTER TO GRUNWELL CASHERO COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,800 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME.

Commissioner Hramiec said he noticed only two bids and asked why there weren't more.

Mr. Maeder replied that this is a special item. The Purchasing Department did call several places, and they only came up with the two bids presented.

Commissioner VanderPutten said he wished to abstain from voting on this particular issue. A vote was called for on the preceding motion, AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY
ELECTRICAL SERVICE

Mr. Maeder said he would like to discuss the possibility of getting an electrical master power plan for the Service Center. He explained that they are now starting to develop across Dunham Road and they have the Probate Court going in south of the Youth Home. In looking at the two facilities and their power requirements, there is a sub-station next to Martha T. Berry from which Detroit Edison supplies 4,800 volts. There are two incoming lines coming from two different sub-stations into their sub-station. If they lose power on one, they still have power on the other. They are at the point now where the sub-station is filled to capacity. They feel and Detroit Edison also feels the same way, that the county should have an electrical power distribution master plan for their service center. They have the available land and will be building more buildings in the future. Since they are at the point where they are filling up the sub-station, they feel that there should be a study made. Detroit Edison will not provide the study, but they will work with them and with a consulting engineer to give them any service or any information they need. They will not, however, perform the study.

Mr. Maeder continued. He said they have a letter from Wakely Kushner, who are the people doing the electrical work on the Public Service Facility. They have to get the power from the sub-station to their site and they have submitted a price to to this plan. He can either accept that price or talk to other engineers to see if they will do it.

Commissioner DeGrendel said he was of the opinion that more than one price should be obtained.

Commissioner Zoccola asked Mr. Maeder how much money he was talking about and he replied it would be in the neighborhood of \$4,000.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GRENDL, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND THAT BIDS BE RECEIVED FROM OTHER COMPANIES FOR THE ERECTION OF AN ELECTRICAL MASTER POWER PLAN FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Zoccola stated that inasmuch as Wakely Kushner was doing 60% of the design for that facility, he was of the opinion the county should proceed with them.

Commissioner DeGrendel said while he agrees with Commissioner Zoccola, it has always been the policy of the Board to get more than one bid and they could be criticized for not doing so.

DISCUSSION RE WARREN SATELLITE CENTER

Mr. Shore explained that a traffic problem has developed at the Warren complex. The original site plan design had the parking lot in front. The City has requested a modification of this site plan to bring the parking lot down further away from the road so that the City can widen the entrance. The major request was moving the parking lot south in order to allow for further widening of the area.

The committee, at its last meeting, tabled the matter until representatives from the City of Warren and the Road Commission could be present and give further explanation as to the need for any modifications.

John Gray of the Road Commission was of the opinion that there was no need for a traffic light at that point at the present time. Maybe some day the signal could go there.

Commissioner Zoccola stated that the reason for their presence was to see if they concurred with the general concept of the center.

Mr. Gray stated that from a traffic operational viewpoint, he agreed that it looks sensible. The city has explained why they want the parking lot shifted to the south. That makes good engineering sense. The problem is in the middle driveway because when the bank is operating it is messy. They would need relief to the east.

Paul Riley, State Highway Department, stated that he is not familiar with the interdevelopment of the civic center area. He said he is very concerned with the flow of traffic on Van Dyke. There presently is a signal there. It not only feeds east, but also the west side of Van Dyke. In the future, they may consider the possibility of a signal on Kennedy Circle. However, at this time, they are not considering it.

Commissioner McHenry said what concerns him is that he doesn't think the traffic has changed any from when they started talking about the Satellite. That was the time the study should have been made, when they projected how many people would use that facility. He is wondering what will happen in the next six months or a year or five years from now. Perhaps traffic coming from General Motors could be changed so that they couldn't go straight across, they would have to make a right or left-hand turn.

Mr. Gray said the whole traffic problem in that area is doing a shift on them. The city should speak to this at this time. At this time eliminating any GM traffic would not be advantageous to anyone. It would transfer to 12 or 14 Mile Roads. At the same time, the city is contemplating changes in the Civic Center Drive. The plan is devised and he said he doesn't foresee any operational problems for a few years.

Ken VanHaelst, Warren City Engineer, said he would like to apologize because when the site plan was forwarded to them for their review, he was on vacation and the plan got mislaid. They were not aware that the plan had been presented, or that any action had been taken on it until the request came in to write the legal description for transferring some property to the county. He said they have a problem with regard to traffic. It would be a problem they would like to try to solve before something is actually constructed. He said that John Gray, Paul Riley and John Shore did an excellent job. People who use both parking lots have access to Van Dyke in a southbound direction. It is a heavy movement. The only way to accomplish it would be to create a new drive approach to Civic Center Boulevard at the location in front of the County Building.

Commissioner McHenry said there has been much talk about building the building and the cost involved. Now there is talk of putting more money into it.

Mr. VanHaelst said that the City is giving up some of their spaces to accommodate the County Building.

Commissioner McHenry said the parking spaces you are putting in there will cost more. He said he is concerned with the number of spaces that will be provided. That is why the county asked for additional spaces along the south side of the building. The county doesn't want either facility short of parking space after they go into operation.

Commissioner DeGrendel asked if Mr. VanHaelst foresaw the service drive on the north end handling more traffic in the future. There is development going on now and it will be carrying more traffic. He said he is worried because the building is close to the road now. In the future, there will be more traffic involved, and the road may have to be widened.

Mr. VanHaelst said they don't see any need for widening the road at this time. He pointed out that the position of the traffic space is in conflict with their own zoning ordinances. The road was built at the present location with the lot existing as it was. While they hate to lose parking spaces, it isn't conforming and should be removed.

Commissioner DeGrendel said in that case, he didn't think it was the responsibility of the county.

Commissioner Gavin said the matter of General Motors personnel crossing over Van Dyke from their facility is partly causing the problem. Perhaps a sign should be put up for them to either turn left or right. That is a positive idea and should be followed up. Second, the National Bank of Detroit just north of the proposed construction, would benefit from having a better road there and wondered if they could be assessed part of the cost, since they are fronting on the road. Third, with the reduction of the parking spaces, because of the improvements, why couldn't more parking spaces be added to the east of the last space, just south of the county facility.

Mr. VanHaelst stated that that space is reserved for a future auditorium and it might interfere with development in the future. Patrons would be parking in our spaces. Their intent would not be defined parking throughout the complex. All open parking is there for anyone who might come to the area. They are not trying to define which is which. He said as far as the auditorium is concerned, all functions would occur at night.

Jerry Schmieser, Warren Planning Director, stated that the other buildings planned for that property are an auditorium, a main library and a police facility. When they first began speaking of this, they felt that the County Building belonged there. It could tie in with other governmental facilities in the city. They are limited pretty much as far as parking is concerned because they won't have room for other things planned on that piece of land.

Commissioner Gavin said he knows how school auditoriums are used. It is used by groups all during the day. He said he can see a great parking problem developing. He is not concerned with the master plan, but is concerned with parking and access for the Satellite Center.

Mr. Schmeiser said the only thing he can say is that the county facility and the City Hall can handle itself in adequate fashion. There would be approximately 580 parking spaces. The Satellite Building will need 300 and they will need 260 to 280. When you speak about an auditorium, it will not be a Ford Auditorium, but will be a multi-purpose facility. They have no way of knowing what that facility will be used for.

Mr. VanHaelst said he has the same concern as the county has. He doesn't want people driving around looking for a parking space. The county will have 300 spaces available at all times.

Commissioner Gavin said we are trading off at a disadvantage. Warren would lose parking spaces to our gain and asked about the bank parking.

Mr. VanHaelst said the bank has a high volume of patronage from General Motors and if they are denied parking, they may not be able to assess the bank for part of the fee.

Commissioner McHenry asked what the original cost was that was projected for the building of the Satellite Building.

Mr. Shore stated it was \$2,950,000 which includes the architect's fee and everything. He said he is not asking at this time for a modification of the budget. He would like authorization to modify the plans. Strat will have 22 extra hours to be charged for, but he is not asking for any additional funding or raising the budget level of the total project now. He would like to go out for bids and see what the total project comes in at.

Commissioner VanderPutten said he had a question for the people in Warren. He pointed out that the master plan has the parking lot running in a direct line with the angle of the building. He asked how far in the future did they think this extension would be put on the lot and who will pay for it.

Mr. Schmeiser said they are talking in terms of when the auditorium will be built.

Commissioner VanderPutten said then they won't be coming to the county at that point for additional moneys for parking.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER TO PROCEED WITH THE SITE PLAN AS PRESENTED ON THE SATELLITE BUILDING; TO APPROVE THE 22 HOURS ADDITIONAL COSTS TO TOM STRAT, ARCHITECT; AND TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE EXTRA PARKING AREA AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come to the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Raymond Trombley, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - MARCH 16, 1976

After the Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee, Plutter moved that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Motion supported by Trombley and carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Judiciary & Public Safety Committee
to the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

MARCH 26, 1976

At a meeting of the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee, held on Tuesday, March 16, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building - Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Hramiec-Chairman, DeGrendel, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, Franchuk, Grove Johnson, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were Commissioner Back who requested to be excused.

Also present:

Representative L. H. Jondahl
Robert Nyovich, Director Law Enforcement/Civil Defense
Col. Marjorie Hunt
Bill Boyea, Administrator Juvenile Court
Frank Marella, Program Director, Juvenile Court
C. Zott, Youth Home
Bill Haynes, Sheriff's Department
Conrad Koltys, Inspector Sheriff's Department
Bill Krull, Sheriff's Department - Crime Prevention Bureau
Ron Lupo, Juvenile Division, Sheriff's Department
John Shore, County Controller
Joe O'Connor, Juvenile Court

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:45 A.M. by Chairman Hramiec.

ADJUDICATION DIVERSION GRANT

Committee was in receipt of a request from the Juvenile Division of the Probate Court to submit a third year application for funding of the Adjudication Diversion Grant.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh asked Joe O'Connor for some background on the justification of the program.

Mr. O'Connor stated that the program is presently in the second year of funding. They work with 200 youngsters. The program is successful and is going well. The national thrust is total prevention programs. There should be a thrust in the communities to have an organization set up to work with parents of youngsters. The parents should also be involved right from the beginning. That is why the program was started. At present they are working in only five school systems in the county. They are actually preventing a number of youngsters from going into the court system. For every youngster they prevent from getting involved in the Youth Home, for every six months, they save the county \$6,000 for each child.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh stated he was of the opinion that this was a valuable program. It would mean a \$60,000 grant from the government until June, 1977 and from talking with some of the people in the program, they feel that it is of considerable value, and made the following motion:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY S. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY DANER, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE JUVENILE DIVISION OF THE PROBATE COURT AND THAT THEY SUBMIT FOR THIRD YEAR ADJUDICATION DIVERSION GRANT; I.E. \$31,741.50 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1976 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1976 (WITH LIKE SUM TO BE REVIEWED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR FUNDING DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1977 THRU JUNE 30, 1977) AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Myslakowski said he would like to see more communities served by this program. There are a lot of people who need help. The Center Line area is not being served. He said he thinks the program is a good one and would like to see it expanded.

JUDICIARY WILLS & ESTATES SUB-COMMITTEE

Committee was in receipt of the minutes of the Judiciary Estates & Wills Sub-committee meeting held on February 25, 1976. Several requests had been made by Judge Sanborn and Mr. Zacharzewski had a report for the committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, THAT THE REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF SERVICE OF HELEN BLAKELY BEYOND OCTOBER 1, 1976 IS BEING RESOLVED BY MRS. BLAKELY WORKING OVERTIME TO HOPEFULLY REDUCE BACKLOG AND BY TEMPORARY PLACEMENT BETWEEN NOW AND OCTOBER OF AN EMPLOYEE TO FURTHER HELP REDUCE THE BACKLOG AND EVENTUALLY REPLACE MRS. BLAKELY WHEN SHE LEAVES OCTOBER 1, 1976; AND TO GRANT THE REQUEST OF JUDGE SANBORN FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE COUNTER INTO THE LIBRARY AREA AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - LEAA GRANT APPLICATIONS

Committee was in receipt of LEAA Grant Applications for the Sheriff's Department - one for the Special Investigative Unit and one for the Crime Prevention Bureau.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THAT THE LEAA GRANT APPLICATION BE APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION RE THE SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNIT; I.E. THE SUM OF \$22,220 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1976 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1976 (WITH A SUM OF \$11,110 TO BE REVIEWED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR FUNDING DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1977 THRU MARCH 31, 1977) AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME; AND THAT THE LEAA GRANT APPLICATION BE APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION

RE THE CRIME PREVENTION BUREAU; I.E. THE SUM OF \$20,124.66 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1976 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1976 (WITH THE SUM OF \$10,062.34 TO BE REVIEWED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR FUNDING DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1977 THRU MARCH 31, 1977) AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Nyovich explained that when he makes the request for the matching funds from the State and Federal Government, he has to present the total figure which presents some problems, inasmuch as the money requested from January through March has not been set aside or approved as yet by the Board.

Chairman Hramiec pointed out that recently a couple of Deputies saved a woman from drowning and thought it appropriate to send them a letter of commendation from this committee commending the two officers for their outstanding heroism.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GRENDEL, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, THAT A LETTER OF COMMENDATION BE SENT TO DEPUTIES WARREN LAMB AND MICHAEL LOCKE AS WELL AS SERGEANT CARL SKIBA OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR HEROISM IN SAVING A WOMAN FROM DROWNING AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 A.M.

John C. Hramiec, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE - MARCH 17, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this Committee. Motion was made by McHenry, supported by McCarthy, that the report be received, filed and the recommendation concerning appointment of Frank Accavitti, Sr. to the Substance Abuse Advisory Council be adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee held on Wednesday, March 17, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Johnson-Chairman, Myslakowski, Bedard, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, McCarthy, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Trombley, Underwood, VanderPutten and VerKuilen.

Also Present:

Commissioner Michael Walsh, Health Board Member
John Shore, County Controller
Dr. Leland Brown, Director, Health Department
Ray Pietrzak, Administrator, Martha T. Berry

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:40 A.M. by Chairman Johnson.

APPLICATION FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE
ADVISORY COUNCIL

Commissioner Bedard said he would like to recommend that Frank Accavitti, Sr. be placed on the Substance Abuse Advisory Council. He is very active in community affairs and would be an asset on the council.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BEDARD, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, THAT THE APPLICATION OF FRANK ACCAVITTI, SR. BE CONSIDERED FOR THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Patrick J. Johnson, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - MARCH 18, 1976

Upon hearing the recommendations of this Committee, as read by the Clerk, motion was made by Plutter, supported by Bedard, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Judiciary & Public Safety Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee held Thursday, March 18, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Hramiec-Chairman, DeGrendel, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, Johnson, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present was Commissioner Back, who requested to be excused.

Also present:

Attorney General Frank Kelly
Commissioner R. Sabaugh
Commissioner McCarthy
Commissioner VanderPutten
Commissioner McHenry
Commissioner Franchuk
Commissioner Grove
Commissioner Tomlinson
George Parris, Prosecuting Attorney
John Shore, County Controller
Bob Nyovich, Director Law Enforcement/Civil Defense
Sergeant William Hackel, Sheriff's Department
Bob Donaldson, Law Enforcement/Civil Defense
Sam Crimando, Court Administrator
Edna Miller, County Clerk
Ralph Liberato, President AFSCME - Council 23
Ted Hamara - Chief Assistant - Prosecuting Attorney's Office
Chuck Morley, Probation Department
Bill Krul, Crime Prevention Bureau - Sheriff's Department
Don Amboyer, Probation Department
Richard E. Drager, City Council - Roseville
Lt. Col. Margorie O. Hunt USAF (retired) Mt. Clemens Chamber of Commerce
Dearl O. Morrison, Retired Director County Radio Department
Edmund J. Grant, Senior Citizen
Jim Bleakley, Concerned Citizen

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:45 A.M. by Chairman Hramiec.

COUNTY REWARD PROGRAM

Committee was in receipt of background material from the Detroit News "Secret Witness" Program. Chairman Hramiec pointed out that this matter is before committee at the request of various Commissioners for action on same.

Commissioner Caruso noted the "Secret Witness" Program is that attached to the Detroit News; the "Silent Observer" is the Mt. Clemens based program. He felt both programs were excellent but the County might be better off keeping within the community and joining the "Silent Observer".

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN THE MT. CLEMENS "SILENT OBSERVER" PROGRAM FOR THE UNSOLVED CASES PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

In response to questions by Commissioner Walsh, Commissioner Caruso said his intention is that the Board would, from time to time as an unsolved crime occurs, have the option to add to the list of rewards being offered. The motion does not limit the County's participation to the money previously appropriated for the arrest an/or conviction of the perpetrator(s) of the crimes previously listed by the Board.

Commissioner Zoccola asked if and when the Board of Commissioners approves this recommendation, will the County have to issue a check at that time in the amount previously set or will this money be requested only after the necessary information is received.

Lt. Col. Marjorie Hunt replied the County's money wouldn't be required until after the information is received and actual payment to someone is to be made.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ELIGIBILITY LIST FOR TURNKEYS

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the Board Chairman dated March 17, 1976 wherein a request is made for concurrence in submitting a formal request to the Macomb County Sheriff Department Civil Service Commission to begin at once to establish an eligibility list for the Turnkey classification.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COM-

MISSIONERS AUTHORIZE A FORMAL REQUEST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SHERIFF'S CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY PROCESSING APPLICATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF TURNKEY; FURTHER THAT THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION EMPHASIZE TO THE PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS THAT THIS IS NOT A DEPUTY LIST BEING FORMULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was declared adjourned by the Chairman at approximately 11:15 A.M.

John C. Hramiec, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - MARCH 23, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee. Motion was made by DeGrendel, that the report be received filed and recommendations adopted. Motion supported by Tarnowski and carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Tuesday, March 23, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, Underwood, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Franchuk and Gavin both of whom asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by DeGrendel, supported by Caruso, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems as submitted for the period of March 6 through March 19, 1976. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was in receipt of the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared and mailed by the Controller's Office. A review of the bill listing was conducted and questions were asked on several vouchers. Said vouchers included but were not limited to the following:

Page 3, Voucher 3-655, \$2,000 for 13 defense attorney fees to Abdul Sheikh.

In response to Commissioner VanderPutten, Mr. Diegel advised that these cases go back as far as August, 1975. It seems Mr. Sheikh has just been sitting on these and failed to turn them in. We have been told to anticipate at least ten more from him. The Court Administrator was also upset about this mass submittal and has decided to send a letter to the Bar Association reminding them that these cases must be turned in on a timely basis.

Page 6, Voucher 3-393; \$20.00 to the Probation Department to replace a \$20.00 counterfeit bill.

In response to Commissioner S. Sabaugh's question, Mr. Diegel explained the counterfeit bill was turned in by an unknown probationer. The bill was deposited and kicked back by the bank; the county had to make good the \$20.00. The bank has issued a receipt to the county and turned the bill over to the FBI.

Page 8 - all vouchers regarding mileage reimbursement for the month of January to employees of the Equalization Department.

In response to Commissioner VanderPutten's request, Mr. Diegel said he would send a letter to said department reminding them mileage must be submitted on time.

Page 10, Voucher 3-861 - \$1t.00 doctor fee charged by the Retirement Commission

In response to Commissioner Plutter's inquiry, Mr. Diegel said this is for a general examination of an employee as requested by the Retirement Commission and approved by them on February 24.

Page 14, Voucher 3-755; \$800 for doctor fees charged to the Sheriff's Department

Commissioner Plutter requested the reason, to which Mr. Diegel replied it was an emergency case. A Sheriff's prisoner had attempted suicide and the medical treatment

was extensive.

Commissioner Zoccola noted there are five other listings for doctor fees charged to the Sheriff's Department. He asked if the jail medical doctor was handling the medical needs of the jail according to contract. Mr. Diegel stated these listings are all for emergencies.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated there are at least six substantial listings under the Sheriff's Department for vehicle repair and maintenance.

Mr. Diegel reviewed the bills noting several for collision work; bumping and painting. In response to question by Commissioner Caruso, Mr. Diegel advised that the county does have \$100 deductible insurance coverage, so above that amount, we will be reimbursed on each vehicle. Other costs are for miscellaneous repairs.

Commissioner DeGrendel felt committee should have some explanation for all this collision work. Mr. Diegel said he would secure copies of the accident reports.

As he brought up before the Finance Sub-committee, Commissioner Underwood said as it as been suggested in the past, we should seriously consider the possibility of competitive bidding for vehicle work.

Commissioner Walsh specifically questioned Vouchers 3-820 and 3-844. He felt they were sizeable repair bills for gas stations. Mr. Diegel said the total sum of each voucher reflect approximately 25 small maintenance bills.

Commissioner Walsh said it would be interesting to compare the cost of oil, oil filters, etc. against the charge. These two gas stations seem to have a lock on services for county vehicles and it also seems they are charging top dollar for these services.

In response to further question, Mr. Diegel explained that the bills from Sav-U Gas Station are for no lead gas required in 1976 vehicles. The county does not have a pump for no lead; the location for same has not been determined. We are paying the going rate for this gas. No discounts are given. He explained that during regular business hours, we use the Road Commission's no lead pumps but after hours and weekends we must purchase no lead gas.

With regard to county vehicles and accidents, Commissioner McHenry asked whether we would get this type of information set up on the computer.

Mr. Diegel said down the road they hope to computerize vehicle records because that is the only way we are going to find abuses in the system.

Commissioner McHenry said it is important to find out if these accidents are being caused by the same drivers all the time.

Mr. Diegel advised committee there is a man in the Controller's Office with mechanical background and he is going to start to write the specifications for vehicle repair and maintenance work. It's going to be a big job but it will assist the county.

In response to Commissioner Cauro's question, Mr. Diegel said in accordance with a request made by committee earlier, the Road Commission was contacted about the feasibility of using their mechanics to work on county vehicles in the area of maintenance services and minor repairs. The Road Commission advised us that their mechanics' staff compliment is not geared to this and it would be necessary to bring on additional staff to do it.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked Mr. Diegel to investigate the possibility of Finance receiving a monthly or quarterly report of accidents involving county vehicles and who was driving them at the time. We should know who the reckless drivers are.

Mr. Diegel said he would report to Committee on this.

Chairman Back noted that these vehicle maintenance bills (as well as repair bills) came in stacks every two weeks for the bill listing. He suggested that a special sub-committee of Finance be appointed to work with Mr. Diegel, not only on the specs that are being written, but also to look over these vehicle bills that are turned in; not only the future bills but also the past ones for comparison.

Commissioner Walsh said he could not believe the Road Commission can't handle county vehicle needs without extra help. They have three mechanics over there, one relieves the other. They don't have enough to do. The least they can do is service our vehicles in the summer.

Commissioner Johnson noted that a portion of the vehicle bills before committee must be for expedient repairs on weekends and/or evenings in order to get the vehicle on the road again quickly. Still, we should pursue this idea.

Upon request, Chairman Back appointed a five-man sub-committee, the newly appointed members of which agreed to serve in that capacity.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by R. Sabaugh, supported by Caruso, that a five-man sub-committee be appointed to review vehicle repair and maintenance bills as well as accident reports; said sub-committee appointed by the Finance Chairman as follows: DeGrendel, Walsh, R. Sabaugh, Zoccola and VanderPutten. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,142,445.33 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND OR ADDENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MARCH 5, 1976

IN THE AMOUNT OF \$809,775.84 AND THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE SO APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Myslakowski referred to Voucher 3-741 for two dozen Bi-centennial flags. He asked how such flags are used.

Commissioner Johnson stated the flags are purchased and sold at cost as ordered. Also, a flag may be presented to a high dignitary such as the Lord Mayor of Coventry, England who will be visiting our area.

Commissioner Myslakowski indicated since the flags are purchased with county funds, does the sale of same return money to the Bi-centennial budget or to the General Fund.

Mr. Diegel said the money derived from sales comes back into the General Fund.

A VOTE WAS CALLED ON THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

MEMBERSHIP DUES - UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Previously mailed to committee was an explanation of a requested expenditure of \$125 for membership dues - University of Michigan. Said expenditure was described as Voucher 3-269 and was deferred by the Finance Committee on March 9, 1976. The explanation from Judge McLean was previously mailed to committee and, upon request of the Chairman, the following action was taken.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY UNDERWOOD, SUPPORTED BY ZOCCOLA, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE COMMUNICATION AND RECOMMEND PAYMENT OF VOUCHER 3-269 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125 FOR JUDICIAL MEMBERSHIP IN THE INSTITUTE OF CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION - UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL. MOTION CARRIED.

TELEPHONE EXPENSE - HARPER AVENUE COMPLEX

At the request of the Finance Committee (meeting of March 9, 1976), committee was now in receipt of an explanation from the Health Department regarding telephone expense at the Harper Avenue Complex, payment of which was previously deferred by the Finance Committee and referred to as Voucher 3-30.

Having reviewed the communication, the following action was taken.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE COMMUNICATION FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHER 3-30 FOR TELEPHONE EXPENSE AT THE HARPER AVENUE COMPLEX. MOTION CARRIED.

COUNTY TREASURER - RESOLUTION

Committee was in receipt of a proposed Resolution as submitted by the County Treasurer which would authorize borrowing against anticipated delinquent 1975 taxes.

Mr. Guzdial addressed committee and explained that the Resolution would authorize the County Treasurer to borrow in excess of \$9,500,000 but not to exceed \$12,500,000 against the delinquent 1975 taxes. He anticipated that the actual borrowing figure would fall somewhere between this minimum and maximum. As a comparison, he pointed out in 1974 a total of \$9,500,000 was borrowed.

In response to Commissioner Zoccola's question, Mr. Nowakowski said it is extremely difficult at this time to indicate what the amount of surplus would be on the 1973 notes which was the first time that the county borrowed to set up this delinquent tax revolving fund. The final payment on this is due in May, 1977, and at that time we will know exactly what the financial gain will have been on this endeavor. He did point out that in 1974 approximately 5% of the county's total taxes ran delinquent. This year, it appears to be running closer to 6%. He felt confident that the bids for this note would come in at 5% to 5 3/4%.

Mr. Nowakowski also pointed out to committee that important legislation has been passed to allow the penalty charge increase from 6% to 9% per annum on delinquent taxes. Because of this, he felt that the county was protected as the interest on delinquents pay for the interest rate on the loan. These loans are issued as a primary note rather than a bond and, therefore, the interest rates run a little different.

In response to Commissioner R. Sabaugh's questions, Mr. Nowakowski explained the procedure of the delinquent tax fund in that the county borrows and pays off the local communities and school districts as if they are at 100% collection. The county then collects all delinquent taxes, uses the penalty charges to pay off the interest on the notes and, in addition to the penalty charges, delinquent taxpayers are charged 4% collection fee which covers the county's administrative costs in collections. Mr. Nowakowski also pointed out that because of this new legislation previously mentioned, he will also be able to offer these primary notes to all financial institutions rather than only banks. This also will assist the county in obtaining a very good rate.

COMMUNITY RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE RESOLUTION TO BORROW AGAINST ANTICIPATED DELINQUENT 1975 TAXES AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY TREASURER. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

COPY MACHINE SUB-COMMITTEE

Commissioner Bedard, Chairman of the Copy Machine Sub-committee, advised that his com-

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mittee has been conducting an indepth study of the use of copy machines by the county departments. He indicated that a number of recommendations have been made to change current equipment in numerous departments which would result in a substantial savings and still allow the departments to meet their duplicating needs. While the changes being recommended are not finalized at this time, Commissioner Bedard explained that there is a time element involved. It is necessary for the changes to be initiated by April 1, 1976 because the companies furnishing duplicating equipment will not enter into a contract during their last fiscal quarter. Upon finalization of the sub-committee's recommendations, Commissioner Bedard asked for the Finance Committee's authorization and concurrence at this time. A more detailed report will be forthcoming.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BEDARD, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDED DUPLICATING EQUIPMENT CHANGES MADE BY THE COPY MACHINE SUB-COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Dane asked committee to consider recommending to the Board of Commissioners that a Proclamation be drafted declaring throughout Macomb County, during the month of April, American Cancer Society Month. He explained that communities throughout the county are doing likewise.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DANE, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO DIRECT CIVIL COUNSEL TO PREPARE A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING THROUGHOUT MACOMB COUNTY THE MONTH OF APRIL AS AMERICAL CANCER SOCIETY MONTH AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AT THEIR MEETING ON MARCH 26 ADOPT SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Caruso, to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 A.M.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - MARCH 23, 1976

After the Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee, motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by Franchuk, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Personnel Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Personnel Committee held Tuesday, March 23, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Bedard-Vice Chairman, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, Underwood, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were Commissioners Franchuk and Gavin both of whom asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 10:50 A.M. by Vice Chairman Bedard in the excused absence of Chairman Franchuk.

VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED
PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Committee was in receipt of the vacant or soon-to-be vacant budgeted personnel positions as reviewed by the Personnel/Labor Relations Director and listed within correspondence from him dated March 21, 1976 with recommendation for reconfirmation as follows:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
One Ass't Prosecuting Attorney III position vacant March 15, 1976 (John Kessel)	Prosecuting Attorney's Office
One Steno Clerk I/II position vacant March 22, 1976 (M.L. McKay)	Friend of the Court
One Typist Clerk II position vacant April 2, 1976 (Mary Calhoon)	Juvenile Court
One Steno Clerk III position vacant April 5, 1976 (D. Burnett)	Board of Commissioners

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS LISTED. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Zacharzewski said, as usual, there are an additional two vacancies received too late for inclusion in his letter of March 22. These also are necessary to maintain the current level of services in respective departments and are budgeted positions. As follows, they are:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
One Engineer I	Drain Office
Typist Clerk I/II	Library

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED POSITIONS AS VERBALLY REPORTED BY THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR THIS DATE. MOTION CARRIED.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT
& WELFARE COMMITTEE REFERRAL

Committee was also in receipt of a referral from the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee meeting of March 17, 1976 pursuant to hiring a replacement for the resigning 4-H Youth Program Assistant. The current individual was hired under the CETA program at a salary of \$7,700.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHNSON, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT A REPLACEMENT BE HIRED FOR THE 4-H YOUTH PROGRAM ASSISTANT AS REQUESTED. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Caruso, supported by VanderPutten, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 A.M.

John Bedard, Vice-Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

BUDGET COMMITTEE - MARCH 23, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. Motion was made by Zoccola, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Motion supported by McCarthy and carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Budget Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Budget Committee, held on Tuesday, March 23, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Walsh-Chairman, Back, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, Underwood, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were Commissioners Franchuk and Gavin, both of whom asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:56 A.M. by the Chairman.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - LEAA GRANTS; SPECIAL
INVESTIGATIVE UNIT AND CRIME PREVENTION BUREAU

Committee was in receipt of an excerpt of the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee minutes of March 16, 1976.

Chairman Walsh explained that inasmuch as all Commissioners are not members of the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee and although said committee approved the Special Investigative Unit and Crime Prevention Bureau LEAA grant applications, because the funding necessary runs for the last six months of 1976 as well as the first three months of 1977, he recommended that this matter come to the Budget Committee. If approved by this Committee, the necessary funds would be included in the 1977 budget, which is not yet set.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE LEAA GRANT APPLICATION FOR (1) SPEICAL INVESTIGATIVE UNIT; AND (2) THE CRIME PREVENTION BUREAU.

Chairman Walsh noted this approval being given provides county-match from July 1, 1976 through December 31, 1976 and January 1, 1977 through March 31, 1977 for both programs.

A vote was called on the motion and THE MOTION CARRIED.

PROBATE COURT - ADJUDICATION DIVERSION GRANT

Committee was also in receipt of excerpt from the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee minutes of March 16, 1976 pertaining to the Adjudication Diversion Grant for Probate Court. This program is being recommended for the third year funding, the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee recommended approval and county funding of \$31,741.50 for the period July 1 through December 31, 1976 and the Budget Committee was asked to review the county funding of said grant in the amount of \$31,741.50 for the period January 1 through June 30, 1977.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh told committee that he has had the opportunity to discuss this program with the people working in it. He was of the opinion the program is extremely beneficial and helps the youth of our county. It deals with the prevention of juvenile delinquents; one way is letting them participate in small group discussions to get to the root of a problem. The program not only involves the youth but parents as well.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY S. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE ADJUDICATION DIVERSION GRANT - PROBATE COURT AND COUNTY'S SHARE OF FUNDING FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1977. MOTION CARRIED.

It was noted that the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee previously recommended approval of the county's share for this grant for the period July 1 through December 31, 1976.

REQUEST FOR LINE ITEM CORRECTION -
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the Cooperative Extension Director advising of an error in a line item of his budget as he submitted it. Said correspondence requested an additional \$460 to correct the oversight.

Controller Shore said the error as indicated is in the area of salaries paid. It would appear the county asked for salary fringe benefits paid by the state and federal government. They use our base dollars for state and federal purposes.

Chairman Walsh pointed out, according to the information from Michigan State University as provided by the Extension Director that the increase is \$960 rather than \$460 as requested.

Controller Shore concurred, and felt the correction should be made in the amount of \$960.

In response to Commissioner Back, Mr. Shore advised the base salary is in the budget, but the \$960 is new money that will have to be added to the budget. He recommended the correction be made.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BACK, SUPPORTED BY TOMLINSON, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CONTROLLER AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL \$960.00 TO LINE ITEM "APPROPRIATION" IN THE 1976 COOPERATIVE EXTENSION BUDGET. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Walsh declared the meeting adjourned at 11:05 A.M.

Michael J. Walsh, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - MARCH 25, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. The Board Chairman stated that item 6i, Drain Resolution - Vokes Relief #2 Drain, is to be included for approval in the motion to adopt this Committee's recommendations.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh questioned the final recommendation of this Committee and why the maker made same. Chairman VerKuilen advised Commissioner Sabaugh that information is being gathered by the Planning Commission regarding this and Civil Counsel Blomberg is studying the ramifications of our possible withdrawal from SEMTA. This has also been referred to the PWT Committee for study.

Motion was made by Grove, supported by Caruso, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted; also, the Drain Resolution Vokes Relief #2 Drain, be considered read and adopted.

Commissioner Back requested clarification of an item on the second page of the report regarding a water chiller system at the Health Department and a monetary limit indicated in the Committee's recommendation and authorization to accept bids for same.

Commissioner DeGrendel stated that Mr. Maeder advised the Committee this would be an estimate, as the actual amount would not be divulged.

Commissioner Back continued, that this report and therefore this recommendation is a matter of public record and he would like this amount deleted from the recommendation. It is not normal procedure to give a monetary limit on something going out for public bid.

Commissioner Back then moved to have the monetary amount deleted from this recommendation. Motion supported by Caruso.

Commissioner Tomlinson questioned why such limits are indicated when engineering bids are ok'd to be obtained?

Commissioner Back answered that those are professional people and the Board directs them not to exceed certain amounts.

Commissioner Back continued, that it is not good or acceptable procedure to publicly indicate an amount for a bid item. Our policy on this should be changed and no amounts listed or indicated for public inspection in the future.

Commissioner Caruso stated that it was his opinion that Mr. Maeder just requested authorization to let the item out for bids. We, at the PWT Committee meeting, didn't realize the amount would be listed in the recommendation motion. It was a mistake.

Commissioner Trombley concurred. Often we're put in a position like this to limit an expenditure amount. The estimate we are given is for our knowledge only. I too wonder if some other procedure can be used. I agree with Commissioner Back.

Commissioner Back believed the Commissioners could get this information without documenting the amount in a recommendation motion.

On voice vote on the motion to delete the monetary amount from the recommendation in question, ayes all and the motion carried. Chairman VerKuilen stated the recommendation should now read...said bid not to exceed the sum discussed with Committee...

Commissioner Back stated the second thing he wished to comment on regarding this Committee report is the recommendation concerning SEMTA. He believed that what the Board is doing is getting someone in a trap. I think, Commissioner Back continued, equally to that tax is representation. All references so far have been on taxes and representation on the SEMTA Board. WE should be concerned with proper representation and getting our share out of this. The general feeling is that it's going to start in Detroit and work out and we should get a fair share employed too. We are concerned on this. I hope in the future we put emphasis on this.

Commissioner Franchuk requested he be notified of any Committee meeting to be held, whether he is a member of the Committee or not, when this proposed transportation system will be discussed so he can attend, if only to sit in the audience. Commissioner Franchuk stressed his interest and concern on this matter. The Board Chairman advised he would be so notified.

On voice vote on the original motion to adopt the Committee recommendations (as amended) and approve the Drain Resolution, the motion carried with Commissioner Dane abstaining.

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Public Works & Transportation Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee held on Thursday, March 25, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Trombley-Chairman, Caruso, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, McHenry, R. Sabaugh, Tomlinson, Underwood, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were Commissioners Gavin and Bedard both of whom asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Robert Maeder, Director, Facilities & Operations
Robert Nyovich, Director, Law Enforcement/Planning

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:35 A.M. by Chairman Trombley.

DRAIN RESOLUTION - VOKES RELIEF NO. 2 DRAIN

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the Public Works Commissioner asking the Board of Commissioners to pledge the county's full faith and credit as secondary security for a \$565,000 bond issue to finance a drainage improvement in the City of Sterling Heights known as the Vokes Relief No. 2 Drain. The project consists of installation of approximately 1,900 linear feet of enclosed drains in the vicinity of 18½ Mile and Van Dyke.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY UNDERWOOD, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT SAID RESOLUTION FOR VOKES RELIEF NO. 2 DRAIN. MOTION CARRIED.

BUILDING & GROUNDS SUB-COMMITTEE
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee was in receipt of various recommendations adopted by the Building & Grounds Sub-committee meeting of March 3, 1976: Those recommendations included the following:

- (a) Minimum lease rates - Warren Satellite Facility and Public Service Facility;
- (b) Housing provisions for Workmen's Compensation Offices;
- (c) Approval of building list items; and
- (d) Timetable for construction of Warren Satellite Facility.

Chairman Trombley explained that these matters were discussed in detail at the Sub-committee meeting and he was seeking approval for these items from this committee, so that they could be acted on at the Full Board meeting.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE MINIMUM LEASE RATES AT THE WARREN SATELLITE FACILITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY; HOUSING PROVISIONS FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION OFFICES; APPROVAL OF BUILDING LIST ITEMS; AND TIMETABLE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE WARREN SATELLITE FACILITY AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

REQUEST BID & AWARD CONTRACT - WATER
CHILLER HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Mr. Maeder explained what he was seeking was authority to go out for bids for the water chiller for the Health Department. The contract not to exceed \$17,000.00. He explained that the present system is 18 years old and is rusting out. If they were to replace the whole unit, it would cost \$50,000 or \$60,000. By replacing the evaporative condenser section of the 60 ton water chiller it would last for another 18 years.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND GO OUT FOR BIDS ON THE WATER CHILLER SYSTEM AT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, SAID BID NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM DISCUSSED WITH COMMITTEE, AND THAT ALL BIDS BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FOR FINAL APPROVAL, AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

PURCHASES

Committee was in receipt of a request from the County Controller for the purchase of 46 venetian blinds to be installed on the intermediate floors of the County Building. He had received a low bid of \$1,685.00 from Interior Window Covering for this purchase.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER AND THAT THE CONTRACT FOR THE VENETIAN BLINDS FOR THE INTER-MEDIATE FLOORS IN THE COUNTY BUILDING BE AWARDED TO INTERIOR WINDOW COVERING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,685.00 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee was in receipt of a request from the County Controller for the purchase of two 1976 Fleetside 3/4 ton pickup, four wheel drive heavy duty trucks with snow plow. Mr. Shore said he was asking for authority to award the bid to the low bidder, Russ Milne Ford, in the amount of \$12,150.00

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY ZOCCOLA, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID OF RUSS MILNE FORD, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,150.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO 1976 FLEETSIDE 3/4 TON PICKUP, FOUR WHEEL DRIVE HEAVY DUTY TRUCKS WITH SNOW PLOWS AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

CHANGE ORDER - REHABILITATION CENTER

Committee was in receipt of a change order from Palmer-Smith Co. on the Rehabilitation Center.

Mr. Maeder explained that these were changes that had to be made. On change was that a couple of fire lines have to be moved because they interfered with construction. There were some finished hardware changes and there were some changes on the toilet fixtures. The changes were reviewed by the contractor and his department and the prices are acceptable.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CHANGE ORDER OF PALMER SMITH CO. ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,713.00. MOTION CARRIED.

INVOICES

Committee was in receipt of several invoices submitted for payment on work performed on on-going building projects.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF

FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,601.90 TO GIFFELS ASSOCIATES FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,411.00 TO ELLIS/NAEYAERT ASSOCIATES FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PROBATE COURT BUILDING. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$153,790.93 TO PALMER-SMITH COMPANY FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,361.40 TO HICKSON-COSTIGAN FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE JUVENILE COURT BUILDING. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner R. Sabaugh started a discussion on the proposed SEMTA transportation plan. There was a lengthy discussion on this subject, all of which will be spelled out in detail in the minutes (retained by the Board of Commissioners' office only) of this meeting. The discussion resulted in the following motion:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, THAT IN CONNECTION WITH THE MASS TRANSPORTATION PLAN PROPOSED BY SEMTA IF THERE IS ANYTHING OTHER THAN STATE WIDE PROPOSED FOR THE FINANCING OF SUCH A SYSTEM, THEN THE MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL CONSIDER THEIR WITHDRAWAL FROM SEMTA. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by DeGrendel to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 A.M.

Raymond H. Trombley, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 1315 - VOKES RELIEF NO. 2 DRAIN

This resolution was approved and adopted in concurrence with the approval of the Public Works & Transportation Committee report and recommendations of March 25, 1976 (see preceding PWT Committee action)

RESOLUTION NO. 1316 - WITHHOLDING OF LANDS
AND APPOINTING AGENT FOR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

This resolution, as forwarded for approval by County Treasurer Nowakowski, was considered at this time. Commissioner McCarthy stated because of statutory requirement he so moves that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Motion supported by Vander Putten and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1317 - COMMENDATION TO JIM WORKS

A resolution was presented wherein Jim Works, retired county employee, is commended by the Board for his efficient and congenial service while an employee of the county. Motion was made by Grove, supported by Johnson, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1318 - TO BORROW AGAINST
ANTICIPATED DELINQUENT 1975 TAXES

This resolution was recommended for adoption by the Finance Committee at their meeting March 23, 1976. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Myslakowski, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1319 - PROCLAMATION - CANCER
CONTROL MONTH

This resolution, proclaiming April, 1976 as "Cancer Control Month" in Macomb County. was considered at this time. Motion was made by Dane, supported by VanderPutten, that it be considered read and adopted. Ayes all, motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1320 - COMMENDATION TO
BERNARD T. TRINITY

Commissioner Trombley offered for consideration this resolution, honoring the late

Bernard T. Trinity. Motion was made by Zoccola, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Motion supported by DeGrendel and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1321 - COMMENDATION TO
BRONSON E. HILL

A resolution of commendation to Bronson E. Hill, retired county employee, was presented. Motion was made by Dane, supported by Plutter, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1322 - COMMENDATION TO
LT. KENNETH JACOBS

Chairman VerKuilen on behalf of the Board, offered for consideration a resolution commending Lt. Kenneth Jacobs for outstanding public service as a deputy sheriff. Motion was made by Franchuk, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Motion supported by Grove and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1323 - COMMENDATION TO
FRED LEE

Commissioner McHenry offered for consideration this resolution to Fred Lee for his outstanding service as an educator and coach. Motion was made by McHenry, supported by Tarnowski, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Ayes all, motion carried.

PROPOSED RULES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING COMMUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES WITHIN MACOMB COUNTY

In accordance with state statute, the three public hearings on the proposed rules and regulations were held and the Board, at this time, considered for approval and adoption these rules and the amendment to same as recommended by the HEEW Committee on February 18, 1976.

Commissioner Zoccola stated that as a result of the three public hearings held on this matter and recent discussion regarding the amendment to the rules, he moved to refer this matter to the Health, Education, Environment and Welfare Committee for further study and discussion. Motion supported by Dane. Ayes all and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Commissioner McCarthy indicated he would like to offer a proclamation by Commissioner VanderPutten, designating April 9, 10 and 11, 1976 as "Help the Mentally Retarded Days" throughout Macomb County. He then read the following resolution proclaiming same:

Whereas, April is "Mentally Retarded Citizens Month" in Michigan; and

Whereas, one of the most somber of personal and family tragedies is the affliction borne by the mentally retarded, and, thus, one of the most ennobling causes is the support of programs to treat, care for and ultimately to find solutions to this condition; and

Whereas, in support of these goals, the Michigan State Council of the Knights of Columbus will conduct cannister solicitations for funds in Macomb County and other Michigan counties on April 9, 19 and 11, 1976; and

Whereas, it is important that the mentally retarded receive the understanding and support of their fellow citizens;

Now therefore, the Macomb County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim April 9, 19 and 11, 1976 as "Help the Mentally Retarded Days" throughout Macomb County and appeals to the demonstrated humanity and generosity of all Macomb County citizens to support this most worthy effort by the Knights of Columbus.

RESOLUTION NO. 1324 - "HELP THE MENTALLY RETARDED DAYS"

Motion was made by McCarthy, that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion supported by Caruso and carried.

CIVIL COUNSEL BLOMBERG
NOTIFICATION OF RETIREMENT

Correspondence from Alfred A. Blomberg, Director of County Civil Counsel's Office, advised of his intended retirement from county service effective June 1, 1976.

Commissioner Walsh stated that although this will come before the retirement board, he wished to now commend Mr. Blomberg, He is a gentleman and has treated all of us with respect as hopefully we have accorded him.

Commissioner Walsh then moved that an official resolution be drafted commending Civil Counsel Alfred Blomberg on his outstanding service to this Board and the county as a whole. Motion supported by DeGrendel and carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Commissioner R. Sabaugh requested authorization for himself and Commissioner Bedard to attend an anti-bussing conference in Washington, D. C. on April 24.

Motion was made by Zoccola, that permission be granted to Commissioners Sabaugh, Bedard and any other Commissioner wishing to attend the anti-bussing conference to be held in Washington, D.C. on April 24, 1976. Motion supported by McCarthy.

Commissioner Back questioned the intent of the motion as it relates to lodging, transportation and per diem?

Civil Counsel Blomberg advised that some county purpose would have to be accomplished and directly relating to functions or business of this Board in order for the county to pay for such a trip.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh then withdrew his request. No vote was taken on the motion.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Commissioner Underwood advised the meeting of a public hearing to be held by the Area Agency on Aging at 1:00 P.M. that afternoon at the UAW Region 1 in Warren for the purpose of discussing an area plan for their fiscal year (October 1, 1976 thru September 30, 1977) and planning and coordinating objectives for proposed services.

PROPOSED QUESTION FOR PRIMARY BALLOT

Commissioner R. Sabaugh stated that the deadline for placing a question on the Presidential Primary ballot is today and he would like the Board to consider placing the following question on said ballot:

"Do you favor a tax increase to finance a regional transportation plan for Southeast Michigan Region including Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties?"

The sole intent is if there is a Presidential Primary to allow the voter at the polls an opportunity to express their desires.

Motion was then made by R.Sabaugh, to place this question on the May Presidential Primary ballot if said primary election is financed by the State. Motion supported by Walsh.

Commissioner Muslakowski stated that the Board must be cautious in placing such a question on the ballot. We do need transportation but whether we need regional transportation paid for with additional taxes is a different story. He then suggested a two-fold question for placing on the ballot be considered: 1) Do you favor a regional transportation system for the tri-county area? 2) To favor plan, do you favor a tax increase? Obviously, Commissioner Myslakowski continued, the people will be opposed to this.

Commissioner Walsh asked, how else can it be financed? There is no other way, other than license plates maybe. I'm in favor of having this on the ballot.

Commissioner VanderPutten said he would find it difficult to apply additional taxes on the people he represents. If someone is going to levy a tax on the people in the 23rd district, it better be by someone other than me. This issue was already voted down and now to circumvent the vote, SEMTA was organized.

Commissioner Underwood stated that the State subsidized the Pontiac Stadium and yet 90% of the people in Macomb County won't use this stadium and probably will never see it. If the State can do this, why not do it on rapid transit?

Commissioner Franchuk advised that the people in his area do not have any of this. I would like to see a plan. The northern end of the County has nothing. Before I vote on anything regarding a transportation system, I want to see a plan. The people are so disillusioned with this.

Commissioner Back indicated, as he understands, Commissioner Sabaugh's proposed ballot question involves Macomb, Wayne and Oakland counties only. Is there another system worked out? If the people vote to defeat, as probably will happen as this question is now worded, What happens if it's a statewide tax? The wording is unclear. We would be doing these people a disservice. He mentioned the Mackinac Bridge and Pontiac Stadium. You can't convince the people if statewide, they shouldn't vote for it.

I agree with Commissioner Sabaugh, Commissioner Back continued, something should be on the ballot but a less misleading question. This transportation thing will have to be subsidized but it might seem like we double crossed the public in the way this question reads. Yes, let's put this on the ballot but properly worded, something meaningful.

When asked, the Clerk informed the meeting that a telephone call was received from the Secretary of State's Office this morning regarding the May Presidential Primary and advising of a temporary restraining order issued by Ingham County Circuit Court prohibiting all activities concerning said primary until further order.

Commissioner Back said yes, but let's be prepared with proper wording for a question. He questioned if Legal Counsel's Office would have sufficient time to prepare same?

Counsel Blomberg advised he would for the August primary but not the May Presidential Primary.

Commissioner Underwood stated it was his belief that the Ingham County Judge is to rule on this Tuesday or Thursday.

I don't want to be redundant, Commissioner S. Sabaugh stated, but I must reiterate no tax increase without a vote of the people. We find ourselves in a very ambiguous, rather sensitive position. We are presenting a question to the people of Macomb County and a point that Commissioner Back brought up is that an advisory question on this matter has been done in Warren. I think a vote that is binding is necessary now. Some of our State legislators from Wayne and other counties have initiated deceptive legislation. Senator Bowman made this Board aware of some of these, as property transfer tax, automobile tax, etc. Let the people vote...

Commissioner Tomlinson stated that this group (Board of Commissioners) has debated the pros and cons of SEMTA for years. \$800,000.00 went to the Pontiac Stadium and I agree that this will be for the very rich. Transportation is for senior citizens, the poor and youth who can't afford and don't have automobiles. This is their only means of transportation. A question must be raised to get results. If properly worded, it should go on the August primary ballot. Let's debate this issue. Word the proposed question properly, a two-fold question. Let the taxpayers vote on every tax issue. If it's a decrease or an increase, it's my duty to inform my constituents. If you want positive action then I suggest a two-fold question be placed on the August primary ballot.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he didn't want to "debate" on this. I just presented this as a possible question for the ballot. There is no other plan other than a tax increase...no other means. If the people don't want this, let's fight it for them. All we're asking is if they favor a tax increase or not. Some Commissioners here seem afraid. Why?

Commissioner Myslakowski wished to clarify his position. I try to analyze for my people. On an issue like this, a question can be phrased to get any response we want. 1) For increased transportation in Macomb County 2) How to pay for it, statewide or limited to certain counties. If State people see results then maybe action will be taken.

Commissioner Walsh (supporter of the motion on the floor), with concurrence of R. Sabaugh (maker of the motion), amended the proposed question to read:

"Do you"

- 1) favor a tax increase for Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties to finance a regional transportation system for Southeastern Michigan?
- 2) favor a statewide increase to finance a regional transportation system in Southeastern Michigan?

Commissioner Walsh reminded Commissioner Tomlinson that he (Tomlinson) is elected by 25,000 people. But, Commissioner Walsh continued, in no way do I feel I can add additional taxes on my constituents or the people of this county. I'm here to watch and allocate their monies. Every Commissioner has gone on record favoring transportation in the county on mile roads, etc. This SEMTA thing is from the hub of the city outwards.

Commissioner Tomlinson said, in allotting taxes yes, 5.9 mills we spread across the county. It wasn't mandatory we spread same every year.

Commissioner Walsh stated, my point is that it is our obligation to spread this money not increase it. That's my feeling. No way do I think we have right to raise a few mills and put on a transportation system. Yesterday you (Tomlinson) related to us at a committee meeting that a national survey showed only 18% of the people are working in a city proper. Today, I get the impression you are on defense of this.

Commissioner Tomlinson responded that in no way did he imply a state question or any particular route for transportation, but would like to now. We believe we need transportation across mile roads within cities, etc. in the county today. I did not say anything about 18% Commissioner Tomlinson then explained the percentages as given yesterday. He also commented on UMTA (Urban Mass Transit Association). There is a need for transportation in Macomb County. I'm not saying anything about SEMTA's plans, which I believe will fall apart. I don't favor mass transit to Detroit even though I work there. I have not changed my thoughts from yesterday.

We realize, Commissioner McHenry stated, that we need public transportation for Macomb County whether county or state financed. Let's work with legal counsel and get a good, meaningful question on this.

Commissioner Caruso advised that everyone has said so far, what he wanted to say on this matter. Possibly a two-fold question will help but probably a three-fold including; 3) Do you think there is a need for a transportation system in Macomb County? would be better. I hope this could be held off until the August primary or until we get our annual report out to the people and can explain it more properly before we ask them to vote on it. The question now is how?

A motion was made by Back, to refer this matter to legal counsel and a special seven member committee appointed by the Board Chairman, to properly draw up an advisory mass transit question for the August 3 primary ballot. Motion supported by Myslakowski.

The Board Chairman advised that this would take precedence over the motion on the floor.

Commissioner DeGrendel referenced Commissioner Franchuk's statements regarding the county's northern communities. In regards to being a distance from stores and having senior citizens, we in the northern end have this too. In fact more so. According to SEMTA we won't even be considered or studied until the 1990's. Further study regarding this is needed.

Commissioner Grove concurred with Commissioner DeGrendel and Franchuk. They are right, the north end will get nothing. No where will those communities get any representative service. Commissioner Grove then referred to a statement directed to this Board dated March 11, 1976 from Marvin Meltzer, Director of Inter-Governmental Community & Public Relations of SEMTA, where he outlined the bus service provided by SEMTA to this county. Commissioner Grove pointed out that this clearly indicates the lack of service to the people residing in the northern end of the county.

Commissioner Walsh pointed out that the August primary ballot will be wild, containing many candidates and information. The advisory question we are speaking of should not be lost on this ballot. It would be a "cop-out" to refer this matter to a committee. It's clear... I'm against referring it. The two-fold question is clear enough, anything else is "hedging and hiding". I want a roll call vote.

Commissioner Back responded, I don't see this as a "cop-out". I think it should be debated, that's why I say August ballot. "If" there is a Presidential Primary, which I don't believe there will be, again that's why I say August ballot. I'm not afraid to take a position now. Let's ask the people once and for all if they want mass transportation in Macomb County.

The Clerk was then requested to read the following section from the temporary restraining order issued by the Ingham County Circuit Court:

"a. County Clerks, township clerks, city clerks and any other local governmental official preparing for the presidential primary otherwise scheduled for May 18, 1976, are to suspend all activities requiring expenditures of public funds in connection with or furtherance of the conducting of the aforementioned election until further order of this Court."

A question was called on Commissioner Back's motion to refer this to legal counsel and a special committee for the purpose of drawing up an advisory question on mass transit for the August 3 primary. Ayes all except Commissioners Walsh, R. Sabaugh and S. Sabaugh who voted "no". The motion carried.

Much discussion then ensued between Commissioners Back and R. Sabaugh.

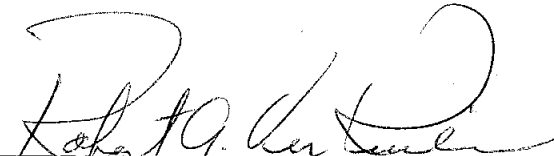
Commissioner Walsh questioned civil counsel, if the court's order referred to not printing ballots.


Mr. Blomberg again read the section of the order just read by the Clerk. He added that the order also states what "is" permissible. They are prohibited from the expenditure of county funds except for the accepting of petitions for the office of Republican precinct delegate.

Commissioner Walsh stated, though if there is to be a Presidential Primary, there's nothing in the order regarding expenditure of funds to print ballots.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by Myslakowski, that the meeting adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M.


ROBERT A. VER KUILEN, CHAIRMAN


EDNA MILLER, CLERK

APRIL 20, 1976

MACOMB COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

A Regular Meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, April 20, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M. and the following members were present when the Clerk called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur J. Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24

A quorum of the Commission being present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

AGENDA

Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Trombley, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

MINUTES--MARCH 26, 1976

The minutes of the meeting held March 26, 1976 had been previously forwarded to each Commissioner and, there being no objections or corrections made thereto, motion was made by Franchuk, supported by Zoccola, that they be approved as presented. Ayes all and the motion carried.

FRIEND OF THE COURT REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION
OF COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Robert I. Coulon, Friend of the Court, appeared to request the Board's approval to re-new the Cooperative Reimbursement Program within his office and make application for same with Michigan Department of Social Services.

Mr. Coulon in a synopsis of the program itself, advised that a slight increase over last fiscal year is being requested across the board. The only additional cost to the County would be rent of more floor space necessary to house this function and an addition to his private office.

Motion was made by McCarthy, that the Board of Commissioners concur in the request of the Friend of the Court and authorize the application to the Michigan Department of Social Services for re-funding of the Cooperative Reimbursement Program in said County department. Motion supported by Plutter.

Commissioner Underwood asked if the rent of 1610 square feet at \$7.50 per square foot or \$12,075.00, as the County's contribution, would be reimbursed by the State?

Mr. Coulon believed it would be a small contribution by the County and off-set by the larger contribution by the State. Since August 1, 1975 when a certain law became effective, a percentage of the money collected by this program is rebated by the State. He then explained the collection system to the Board. If the gross receipts continue to increase for the balance of the year of 1976 at the same ratio as for the first two months of this year, his office would collect in excess of \$1,000,000.00 over the collections processed in the year 1975.

Commissioner Myslakowski questioned how long the program will continue to be State funded and if it would be mandatory after that to be continued by the County?

Mr. Coulon advised that it's been five years now since the County first adopted this reimbursement program. It's a year by year renewable thing. He believed it to be an indefinitely operable State program which would not be mandatory for the County to continue should the State decide to drop.

Commissioner Back concurred with the program's continuance and advised of its many benefits to the County and its residents.

A vote was called on the motion, ayes all and it carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - APRIL 8, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this Committee. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by DeGrendel, that the report be received, filed and the recommendation adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Public Works & Transportation Committee
Special Meeting
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee, held on Thursday, April 8, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building, Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Trombley-Chairman, Gavin, Bedard, Grove, McHenry, R. Sabaugh, Tomlinson,
Underwood, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Caruso, DeGrendel and Hramiec, all of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

Bob Maeder, Director, Facilities & Operations
Bob Waring, Assistant Director, Facilities & Operations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:34 A.M. by Chairman Trombley.

MASTER ELECTRICAL PLAN

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the Facilities & Operations Director wherein bids received from engineering firms for the development of an electrical master plan for the County's Service Center (as requested by committee at their March meeting) were outlined.

Also contained therein is the Facilities & Operations recommendation that the contract to prepare the master electrical plan be awarded to Hoyem Associates (though not the low bidder) for the following reasons:

1. Familiarity with the site and electrical sub-station.
2. Can prepare plan more rapidly than other firms.
3. They are the electrical engineering firm doing the work on the County's new Public Service Facility, which is depending on the master plan.
4. There would be no chance of delaying the Public Service Facility Project because of coordination problems.

Commissioner VanderPutten noted the low bidder (C. Walker) came in at \$2,100; why would anyone recommend approval of a \$4,000 bid for the same work while this County is operating on an austerity budget?

Mr. Maeder explained Wakely Kushner is the architect for the Public Service Facility to be built north of the existing Probate Building. The electrical engineering firm that is doing the work for Wakely Kushner is Hoyem. This electrical engineering firm is familiar with the site and what we have out there now. Hoyem has given us a time period quite a bit faster than the other firms for completion of the master plan. Hoyem is the firm working on the Wakely Kushner Project, a \$4 million project, which is dependent upon this master plan study. Mr. Maeder said he has recommended Hoyem be awarded the contract to avoid a possible hassle in coordination of this, which could result in costly delays for a differential in cost of \$1,900 between Hoyem and the low bidder.

Commissioner VanderPutten noted if Walker submits a bid to do this work for \$2,100 and is awarded contract, he must perform. Commissioner VanderPutten said he would not vote for awarding contract to other than the low bidder.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh agreed, and further, noted Mr. Maeder within his letter, all the firms bidding are qualified to do this work. Just because Hoyem is on the job and currently doing work for the County doesn't make them special; let them give the County a break instead of hitting us with such a large sum.

In response to Commissioner Walsh's question, Mr. Maeder said he still believes all the firms submitting bids are qualified to do the work.

Considering this, Commissioner Walsh said he cannot see the justification of going from the low bidder, C. Walker, to Hoyem. If C. Walker is qualified, we should award that bid to them; and according to Mr. Maeder's letter as well as verbal statement, they are qualified.

In response to further question, Mr. Maeder indicated both Hoyem and C. Walker are located in Troy.

Commissioner McHenry was of the opinion the spread existing between bids (from a high of \$19,700 to a low of \$2,100) is so great it's questionable. If they can't come closer in their bids, something must be wrong. He felt we should try to find out what the problem might be; either someone is too high or the other is too low.

Mr. Maeder said obviously the firm submitting a \$19,000 bid didn't seriously want the job. The quotes are based on the amount of time it will take each firm to do the job.

Commissioner McHenry said he would vote to give this to a bonding company; they would look at the spread and wouldn't even want to bond it.

Mr. Maeder said he is sure the firm bidding \$2,100 will spend less time on the project than the \$8,000 bidder.

Commissioner Gavin referred to Mr. Maeder's equation of bid price to time being spent on the project. In Mr. Maeder's letter, he also said Hoyem could prepare the plan more rapidly. Why?

Mr. Maeder indicated Hoyem will put three or four people on this and do it immediately, whereas someone else would only assign one person to it.

Commissioner Gavin asked Mr. Maeder if he felt speed was that important.

Mr. Maeder said his department is concerned about this \$4 million Public Service Facility Project which Wakely Kushner is doing. Wakely Kushner has got to know what is going to happen with the electrical sub-station before their engineers can design electrical input to that facility. The study should come first so the electrical engineering firm knows what to design to. If the study gets hung up, it will delay Wakely Kushner's job, and that means we are talking about a \$4 million project. So while we are waiting for Walker, we are delaying that \$4 million project; and with the rate of inflation, by the time bids go out, it will cost the County more.

If that's the case, Commissioner Gavin said a hold-up in this project would probably cost the County more than the \$1,900 difference in bids. With this in mind, he could see Mr. Maeder's point. Commissioner Gavin said he would go along with Hoyem if it's Mr. Maeder's recommendation that time is a most important factor.

Commissioner Tomlinson concurred with Commissioner Gavin. While the construction industry isn't too active, if we can go out for bids, we'll get a lower cost. If this outfit (Hoyem) is doing the electrical work for the entire project, they are certainly more aware and interested in the expedient completion.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Tomlinson and supported by Commissioner Gavin to concur in the recommendation of Mr. Maeder and award the contract for preparation of an electrical master plan to Hoyem Associates.

Commissioner Trombley asked that this motion be held until further discussion is completed.

In response to Commissioner Underwood's question, Mr. Maeder noted Hoyem is the electrical consultant for Tom Strat's project, but prior to that they have not worked for the County.

Mr. Maeder was then asked when the specifications went out for this project couldn't he have included a time limit on it.

Mr. Maeder said it could have been done but generally no.

Commissioner Underwood said Mr. Maeder's recommendation might save money on the original job, but the general public doesn't look at it this way; and if we don't go with the low bidder, it's going to look bad for us. Also, if we do this, it might hurt the County in future bidding. Commissioner Underwood said he could see the point Commissioners Tomlinson and Gavin have made, but it just doesn't look good on paper.

Commissioner Walsh asked if Mr. Maeder was notified there would be a delay on this job if awarded to Walker.

Mr. Maeder said he called all the firms bidding, and they gave him a time estimate for completion. All would require more time than Hoyem. Walker would need 40 days; Ellis/Naeyaert requires six weeks; and Hoyem said they could have it done in three weeks.

Commissioner Walsh asked if there was a reason this had to be done in three weeks rather than 40 days.

Mr. Maeder again referred to the Wakely Kushner project and necessity to have this electrical master plan before that design is completed. He advised of wanting to avoid the possibility of Wakely Kushner designing something, putting it out for bids, and then the master plan comes out and indicates we don't need it.

To date, Mr. Maeder noted the project has been delayed by Social Services. Now that the problem has been eliminated, it would be better to move as quickly as possible.

Commissioner Walsh asked if Walker is awarded the contract, will they delay the project.

Mr. Maeder pointed out Hoyem could be working on both the master plan and the electric work for the building simultaneously; so, of course, you will pick up time.

In response to Commissioner Walsh's question, Mr. Maeder said all the plans for the facility (except for the electrical) are not yet ready. However, they will be shortly. The last conversation with the architects set May as the completion date.

Commissioner Walsh said he is asking all these questions for clarification. If, in fact, this is going to hold up a multi-million dollar project, he can see the reasoning to go with the higher bidder.

Mr. Maeder said it makes no difference to him who does the work; all the firms are qualified, his only concern is time.

Commissioner Walsh asked Mr. Maeder if he wanted to go this way wouldn't it have been better to just bring it before the committee and recommend this firm do the work.

Mr. Maeder said he did so at the last meeting but was requested to go out for bids.

Commissioner Walsh indicated he still cannot see the justification and must go with the low bidder. A two week difference won't drastically alter the project.

In response to Commissioner McHenry, Mr. Maeder said he did not request a bid bond because the job is so small.

Commissioner McHenry said you can still get a bond for this project, and that is the way it should be handled. Get a completion date, and there should be no problem for the low bidder to get a bid bond. The specifications should state that the project be completed in "x" number of days.

Commissioner VanderPutten noted no shovel has broken ground in this project, and if the low bidder can complete this in 40 days fine; it will be that long before anyone even thinks of putting a shovel in the ground.

Mr. Maeder explained ground-breaking depends on design time; any delay in design will delay ground-breaking.

Commissioner Tomlinson said committee is talking about 40 days and that is a \$50 per day difference. We are talking about expedient completion in order to get the bids out and returned while the construction business is slow. For a \$1,900 difference, we better weigh the outcome.

MOTION

A motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by Gavin, to concur in the recommendation of Facilities & Operations Director and recommend that the Board of Commissioners award the contract for electrical master plan to Hoyem for reasons as stated by the Facilities & Operations Director. Upon voice vote, THE MOTION FAILED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AWARD CONTRACT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN ELECTRICAL MASTER PLAN TO THE LOW BIDDER, C. WALKER, FOR THE BID AMOUNT OF \$2,100; FURTHER, THAT THE LOW BIDDER PROVIDE A PERFORMANCE BOND FOR COMPLETION IN 40 DAYS. MOTION CARRIED WITH TOMLINSON VOTING NO.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by Underwood, to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 noon.

Raymond H. Trombley, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION SUB-COMMITTEE - APRIL 5, 1976

The Clerk read the several motions made by this Committee and Commissioner Dane moved, supported by Myslakowski, that the report be received, filed and the motions adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Commissioner Caruso requested that in the future a summary or synopsis of all House or Senate Bills be contained in said sub-committee reports. Committee report follows:

April 5, 1976

TO: Donald G. Tarnowski, Chairman
Administrative Services

FROM: Harold E. Grove, Chairman
Legislative & Administrative Organization

Please be advised that there was a meeting of the Legislative & Administrative Organization Sub-committee held on Monday, April 5, 1976 at which several Senate Bills and House Bills were discussed. Because of the time element involved, and in order to get the sub-committee's recommendations before your Committee for further action, I am submitting this letter in lieu of minutes at this time, however, a more detailed account of what transpired will be spelled out in detail in the minutes (retained in the Board of Commissioners' Office only) of this meeting. Copies of the pertinent Bills are on file in the Board Office for anyone who may wish to review them.

SB 1191 - This proposed Bill would put Macomb County under the rules and regulations of the Michigan Employment Security Commission, eliminating separate unemployment compensation plans. This Bill is still presently in the Senate Committee on Labor.

Mr. Shore explained that last year, the Board of Commissioners passed an Ordinance for unemployment compensation set up under the current existing law. The state gave various counties and other governmental units an option to design their own program. This Board, because of the financial ramifications, which were traumatic to the taxpayers, devised their own system. Now, one year later, this Bill says the county must follow the total guidelines of state system. The only area where our program differs is that the county does not pay unemployment compensation for people who quit. This Bill says to the County of Macomb, the system is no longer valid unless you redesign it and set up all criteria the state has on the basis of normal turnover.

MOTION

Motion was made by Myslakowski, supported by S. Sabaugh, to recommend that the Administrative Services Committee go on record opposing Senate Bill 1191 and further that this opposition be taken to the Full Board. Motion carried.

HB 5992 - This Bill would amend the Municipal Employees Retirement Act to provide that no municipal employee employed by a municipality ("municipality" can mean a county, county road commission, or township, as well as a municipality) under a CETA program or comparable federally-financed program designed to create short-term, limited, or temporary employment could be a member of the retirement system or be defined as an employee occupying a permanent position. This Bill is now in the House Committee on Health, Social Services and Retirement.

Mr. Bonior addressed himself to this particular Bill. Mr. Bonior pointed out that a person employed by the municipality in a CETA program or a comparable program financed with federal funds designed to provide short-term, limited, or temporary employment may not be a member of this retirement system or be defined as an employee occupying a permanent position under Subsection (1). He said you cannot make secondhand citizens of people working under CETA.

Mr. Shore pointed out if this Bill goes through, CETA employees would not have retirement benefits. They can work for two years and then go on full time employment with the county and not have those two years as vesting toward a retirement program.

MOTION

A motion was made by S. Sabaugh, supported by VanderPutten, to oppose that portion of House Bill 5992 that deals with a CETA employee being prohibited from participating in the retirement system of the county. Motion carried with Commissioner Tomlinson voting NO.

HB 5997 - This Bill deals with providing penalties for failure to pay money for the support and maintenance of minor children, in divorce and separate maintenance cases and to assist in the maintenance of dependent persons in divorce proceedings. This Bill, if passed, would greatly restrict the enforcement arm of the Circuit Court in the collection of alimony and child support. This Bill is now in the House Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Coulon, Director of the Friend of the Court, was on hand to explain how this Bill affects his department. Mr. Coulon read an excerpt from the Bill. If the court determines that the party could work but has failed or refused to seek employment, or if the court determines that the party does not possess sufficient present financial ability to comply with the order but that the party neglected or refused to comply with the order at a time when the party did possess sufficient financial ability to comply, the party may be punished by probation or imprisonment as provided in this section for a period as the party continues to be in contempt, but not to exceed 90 days.

Mr. Coulon then continued. If the income of the party alleged to be in contempt has decreased since the date of the issuance of the order for support and maintenance of minor children, the court shall advise the party at a contempt hearing of his right to petition the court for a reduction in the amounts required to be paid under the order, including the provisions of Section 17B of Chapter 84 of the revised Statutes of 1846, as added, being Section 552.17B of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The court shall then stay the contempt hearing to permit the party to file and complete proceedings for an amendment of the order. If a proceeding for amendment of the order results in a reduction of the amounts required to be paid under the order, that reduction shall be retroactive to the date of the change in the party's financial circumstances. A party failing or refusing to comply with an order amended pursuant to this subsection may be punished for contempt in accordance with subsections (1) and (2).

Mr. Coulon stated that this last section affects his office in the collection of support. All the person would have to do is to allege to the court his financial condition has been altered and the court must stop all enforcement at that time to allow him to get counsel and allow him to petition the court.

MOTION

A motion was made by Plutter, supported by Franchuk, to oppose House Bill 5997. Motion carried.

HB 5998 - This Bill deals with procedures that facilitate the collection of alimony and support and maintenance for minor children ordered to be paid in suits for divorce or separate maintenance. Under this proposed Bill, persons obligated to support minor children could satisfy this obligation by merely sitting in the County Jail, as the support obligation during incarceration could be terminated during that period of time. Section 2 indicates the respondent must be advised of his rights to be represented by counsel. A reasonable interpretation of that section by Mr. Coulon is that where the respondent is indigent, counsel

must be appointed at public expense. This is borne out more specifically in Section 4A. This Bill is now in the House Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Coulon stated that this second Bill takes the same position as the first.

If a party is incarcerated under this Act or any other Act providing for the punishment of a party for neglect or refusal to pay an order for temporary or permanent alimony or an order for the maintenance and support of minor children, and if the party does not have an income during that period of incarceration, the party's obligation to make payments under the order shall be suspended during the period of the party's incarceration.

MOTION

Motion made by Tomlinson, supported by VanderPutten, to oppose House Bill 5998. Motion carried.

HB 5999 - This proposed Bill would remove the practicing attorney from most domestic cases. With the removal of privately retained counsel, this would mandate additional duties and responsibilities to the Friend of the Courts' Office and would necessitate the county to provide additional staff. This Bill is now in the House Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Coulon explained that this Bill will eliminate, for all intents and purposes, the practicing attorney. The Bill would exclude counsel, and when you do that, you add expense to the county. His office has to fill the void.

MOTION

A motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by Tomlinson, to oppose House Bill 5999. Motion carried.

SB 2986 - This proposed Bill would provide supplementary community development assistance to communities with high unemployment rates due to adverse economic conditions and other reasons. This Bill was introduced by Michigan Senator Robert P. Griffin as a proposed alternative to the Public Works Bill which failed in the Senate to be overridden by three votes. This Bill would be in addition to the assistance provided under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The financial allocation for this proposed Bill would be 780 million dollars. The eligibility for metropolitan cities and urban counties requires an unemployment rate in excess of 8% for the most recent calendar quarter. This Bill is now in the Senate Committee on Banking.

Mr. Shore explained that this Bill is a substitute for one that was defeated. This Bill is an extension of existing legislation. Some of the communities in the county have benefited by these funds in the past under these programs. He stated that they like the other Bill. They would like them to come back with the other Bill. However, if they can't get it passed, then this is acceptable rather than nothing.

MOTION

A motion was made by Tomlinson, supported by Franchuk, to favor a reintroduction of the Public Works Bill which was vetoed by the President, however, in the event that is not possible, would favor Senate Bill 2986 rather than have nothing at all. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

June Walczak, Assistant Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - APRIL 13, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee and motion was made by Zoccola, supported by Tarnowski, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held on Tuesday, April 13, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Gavin, R. Sabaugh, Tomlinson and Trombley who asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Dave Diegel, Budget Officer

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Chairman Back.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Plutter, supported by McHenry, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems as submitted for the period March 22 through March 30 and April 1 through April 3, 1976. Motion carried.

INSURANCE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT
AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee was in receipt of various recommendations for payment of insurance invoices from the Insurance Sub-committee and the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY ZOCCOLA, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INSURANCE SUB-COMMITTEE AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. INSURANCE INVOICES, AS SUBMITTED, IN THE CORRECTED AMOUNT OF \$5,692.00;
2. INSURANCE INVOICE FOR WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION, MACOMB COUNTY-AUDIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,704.00;
3. APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE COUNTY COST AUDIT OFFICER AND AMEND MACOMB COUNTY'S WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION POLICY PERIOD TO FOLLOW THE CALENDAR YEAR.

In this same connection, committee was in receipt of an explanation for the increase in the catastrophe liability insurance payment. This explanation was requested at the meeting of the Insurance Sub-committee and a copy of same is attached hereto and made a part of this report (see 4-20-76 meeting file).

4. APPROVE PAYMENT TO GERLACH, SHEA, ROSKOPP & LINDSEY AGENCY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,326.00 IN PAYMENT OF THE COUNTY'S CATASTROPHE LIABILITY POLICY. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was in receipt of the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared and mailed by the Controller's Office. A review of the bill listing was conducted and questions were asked on a few of the vouchers which will be spelled out in detail in the minutes of this meeting (retained in the Board of Commissioners' Office only).

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$855,724.45 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MARCH 19, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$841,839.91 AND THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE SO APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

DATA PROCESSING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT
AND RECOMMENDATION

Committee was in receipt of various recommendations made at a recent meeting of the Data Processing Sub-committee and Commissioner McCarthy read the various recommendations for the information of this committee. The following motion was then made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DATA PROCESSING SUB-COMMITTEE AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

1. LEASING OF TWO ADDITIONAL TERMINALS AT A COST OF \$3,100.00;
2. THE TERMINALS IN THE FRIEND OF THE COURT OFFICE REMAIN ON LEASE; THAT THE FRIEND OF THE COURT BE AUTHORIZED TO PURCHASE ONE MICROFICHE READER/PRINTER AND TWO READERS AT A COST OF APPROXIMATELY \$1,500.00; AND THAT THE SPEED OF THE FOUR DATA-COMMUNICATION LINES BE INCREASED TO 9600 BAUD AT A COST OF \$8,240.00;
3. THAT APPROXIMATELY 7,000 FILES OF THE FRIEND OF THE COURT BE MICROFILMED AND THAT THE COUNTY CONTROLLER PROCEED TO MAKE THAT A SUMMER PROJECT FOR THE COUNTY;
4. ALLOCATING PERSONNEL TO A PROJECT IN THE TREASURER'S OFFICE IN IT REORGANIZATION FOR COMPUTERIZATION AND TO MAINTAIN IT UNTIL THE TOTAL PROJECT IS COMPLETED;
5. THAT AN ORDER BE PLACED FOR AN 1800 LPM, 132 PRINT POSITION (INCLUDING 12 CHANNEL FORMAT) AT A PRICE OF \$67,275.00 WITH A PRINT CONTROL FOR B-9246-2 AT A COST OF \$4,990.00, FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$72,265.00, LESS 10%, WHICH WOULD BE A COST OF \$65,038.50; PROVIDING THAT THE COSTS WILL BECOME AVAILABLE THROUGH REVENUE SHARING FUNDS;

6. AUTHORITY FOR DATA PROCESSING TO PURCHASE A SLIDE PROJECTOR AT A COST OF \$160.00

MOTION CARRIED.

REQUEST FROM BI-CENTENNIAL COMMISSION
FOR PAYMENT OF CONTRACTS

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from Mr. Diegel, Cost Audit Officer, wherein the following explanation was given on the subject of contract payment requests:

"Copies of correspondence from Mrs. Charlotte Boyd requesting that warrants totalling \$6,975.00 be issued as consideration for the appearance of two "bands" at two concerts which were held during the past week. Receipts totaling \$1,120 have been collected against these expenses and Mrs. Boyd anticipates collecting an additional \$350 to further offset the gross of the concerts."

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHNSON, SUPPORTED BY FRANCHUK, TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE CONTRACT PRICES AS SUBMITTED BY THE BI-CENTENNIAL COMMISSION AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner McCarthy stated that he would like to ask that this Board give permission to Chairman VerKuilen to appoint a committee to look into the By-Laws with regard to some various changes. He was of the opinion that in order to eliminate certain things that have taken place over the past, relative to the appointment of various commissions in the county and where there is a conflict of an appointed position and elected position, that these items be taken care of prior to the filing dates for the candidate's office.

Chairman Back pointed out that if a commissioner wanted to run for an appointment, or whatever reason, this would eliminate an election in the community. It would take care of the matter before the fact, rather than after the fact.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO GRANT THE AUTHORITY TO THE BOARD CHAIRMAN TO FORM A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE BY-LAWS AND RULES SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING THE BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Back stated that he would like to propose that a Resolution be drafted commending a Mr. and Mrs. Girard of East Detroit for their devotion as foster parents in the raising of approximately 150 retarded or disabled children.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY TARNOWSKI, THAT LEGAL COUNSEL PREPARE A RESOLUTION COMMENDING A MR. AND MRS. GIRARD OF EAST DETROIT FOR THEIR DEVOTION AS FOSTER PARENTS IN THE CARING FOR OF 150 RETARDED AND DISABLED CHILDREN AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - APRIL 13, 1976

Upon hearing the recommendations of this Committee, as read by the Clerk, motion was made by DeGrendel, supported by McCarthy, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Personnel Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Personnel Committee held Tuesday, April 13, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Franchuk-Chairman, Bedard, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Underwood, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen.

Not present were Commissioners Gavin, R. Sabaugh and Trombley who asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

APRIL 20, 1976

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:10 A.M. by Chairman Franchuk.

VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED
PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Committee was in receipt of the vacant or soon-to-be vacant budgeted personnel positions as reviewed by the Personnel/Labor Relations Director and listed within correspondence from him dated April 2, 1976 with recommendation and reconfirmation as follows:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
Typist Clerk I/II position vacant (Bernard Trinity-deceased) February 26, 1976	Macomb County Library
Account Clerk II, position vacant (Linda Zillich) April 16, 1976	Macomb County Library
Typist Clerk I, position vacant (Vickie A. Kogelmann) April 9, 1976	Prosecuting Attorney
Total Preparation Group Leader position (Lawrence Jelinek) April 8, 1976	Juvenile Court (Youth Home)
Judicial Service Officer I, position vacant (Harold K. DuBois) April 19, 1976	Friend of the Court

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS LISTED. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Zacharzewski explained that it is getting toward that time of year, if the County of Macomb is going to engage in a summer program, for him to seek authorization for the expenditure of county funds. Last year the county employed some 300 young people and expended the amount of \$175,491.

They find this year, in discussions with Ed Bonior and Board Chairman VerKuilen, relative to the availability of certain federal funds, that the Community Services Agency program will have a larger amount of money to spend for summer programs. They are guided by definite guidelines, either in one case the question of poverty level income type participants and, in another case, for people entering the job market for the first time, 18 years of age and over. Mr. Zacharzewski said he would like to suggest for discussion purposes, that the sum of \$75,000 be allocated by the county to employ approximately 150 young people. It would be a 50-50% ratio for the hiring of college as well as high school people. The rates to be paid are mandated to be paid by the federal government. Those rates would be \$2.30 for the high school people and \$2.75 for those 18 and over.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY S. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR IN THE APPROPRIATION OF \$75,000.00 TO ENABLE THE COUNTY TO EMPLOY APPROXIMATELY 150 YOUNG PEOPLE FOR THE COUNTY'S SUMMER PROGRAM. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Muslakowski noted that the county was dropping the amount of money for the county's summer program from \$175,000 to \$75,000. He stated that there are enough things in the county for young people to do. Many of the young people want to work and some of the jobs are not covered under the federally funded programs. He was of the opinion that the program should be continued the way it was last year.

Mr. Zacharzewski stated that Mr. Bonior is aware of what some of the problems are in terms of lack of funds and he will supplement some of the county's needs.

Board Chairman VerKuilen stated that there has been a lot of discussion on this. There is no sense in using county funds when we can have the other program going. He is assured from what he has seen from the plans for the program, there should be enough funds available. Mr. Zacharzewski is asking for \$75,000. There will be people who qualify under Ed Bonior's program and if the county needs more money it could be made available. The idea of 20 hours a week is not a make-work program so that it costs less money in the budget.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Walter Franchuk, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE - APRIL 15, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Underwood, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

April 15, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FROM: Patrick Johnson, Chairman
Health, Education, Environment & Welfare
Committee

A meeting of the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee was held on Thursday, April 15, 1976. This condensed report is furnished to you at this time, so that these matters can be taken up at the Full Board. A full and more detailed report of what transpired will be in the minutes of this meeting (retained in the Board of Commissioners' Office only).

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the County Controller asking that the matter of increase in funding by the Legal Services Corporation be placed on the agenda.

Mr. Shore explained that under the terms of a grant dated February 20, 1976, the Macomb County Legal Aid Bureau has received an annualized increase of funding in the amount of \$11,412.00 effective April 1, 1976. At the present time the County pays a salary supplement of \$4,658.00 plus a fringe benefit supplement of \$1,397.00 for a total of \$6,055.00 toward each CETA staff attorney position in the office.

In order to add a permanent Legal Services Corporation attorney position, the county would be requested to pay a salary supplement of \$3,706.00 and fringe benefits of \$4,535.00 for a total cost of \$8,241.00. For the additional cost of \$2,186.00 this office could drop one CETA position, the funds from which could be used elsewhere in the county, and the permanent Legal Services Corporation staff would be increased to six for at least as long as the Legal Services Corporation survives.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY UNDERWOOD, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER TO DROP ONE CETA STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION IN THE LEGAL AID OFFICE AND FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$2,186.00 HIRE A LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION ATTORNEY AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked for authority for the county to apply for membership to the National Council on the AGing, Inc. at a cost of \$50.00 and to apply for membership in the National Council of Senior Citizens at a cost of \$40.00.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY BEDARD, THAT THE COUNTY APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON AGING, INC. AT A COST OF \$50.00 AND TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SENIOR CITIZENS AT A COST OF \$40.00. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

June Walczak, Ass't Committee
Reporter

BUDGET COMMITTEE - APRIL 19, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendation made by this Committee. Commissioner BACK questioned the Committee action on page one which gives, at the discretion of the Board Chairman, the alternative to schedule a special meeting of either the Budget or Ways & Means Committee to review County services and reassess the County's 1977 Budget priorities. He suggested, if workable or manageable, that this be designated to be a special meeting of the Budget Committee and the recommendation be corrected to indicate same. Motion was made by Plutter, that the report be received, filed and recommendations as amended be adopted. Motion supported by Franchuk and carried. Committee report follows:

April 19, 1976

TO: THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FROM: Harold Grove, Vice-Chairman
Budget Committee
SUBJECT: Budget Committee recommendations from
meeting of Monday, April 19, 1976

At a meeting of the Budget Committee, Committee discussed at length agenda items before them for consideration. (Details of this discussion will be contained within the minutes, retained in the Board of Commissioners' Office only, rather than this correspondence). The following action was taken:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE ADJUSTMENTS IN THE 1976 BUDGET AS OUTLINED AND PRESENTED BY THE CONTROLLER. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE 1977 PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE TAX ALLOCATION BOARD PURPOSES AS SUBMITTED BY THE CONTROLLER. MOTION CARRIED.

APRIL 20, 1976

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by R. Sabaugh, supported by Caruso, that a special meeting of the Budget Committee be scheduled and direct the Controller to provide information for said committee to review all services the County offers townships and cities as a possible means of getting reimbursement for those services; also to reassess the County's priorities for the 1977 Budget; further, that our Legislative Sub-committee be directed to work with the State Legislature to petition the Governor in an attempt to bring a fair share of money back to Macomb County. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND ALLOCATE \$2,000.00 "SEED MONEY" FOR THE INVESTIGATIVE UNIT - COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by R. Sabaugh, supported by Dane, to receive and file the 1975 Annual Report as prepared and previously distributed by the Controller. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PRINTING OF 25,000 RESOURCE GUIDES FOR MACOMB COUNTY CITIZENS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$900.00. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra K. Pietrzniak
Committee Reporter

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 1325 - COMMENDATION TO MR. AND MRS. JEFF GIRARD

A resolution as requested by the Finance Committee (4-13-76 meeting) was presented wherein Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Girard of East Detroit are commended for their devotion as foster parents in caring for retarded and disabled children. Motion was made by Tarnowski, supported by McHenry, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1326 - DESIGNATING MAY "HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE MONTH"

This resolution designating May as "high Blood Pressure Month" and urging citizens throughout Macomb County to obtain high blood pressure checks for themselves and all members of their families was considered at this time. Motion was made by Caruso, that it be considered read and adopted. Motion supported by Dane and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1327 - PROCLAIMING MAY 8, 1976 AS "CAPTAIN ROBERT TUCCI DAY"

Commissioner R. Sabaugh advised that this resolution proclaiming May 8 as "Captain Robert Tucci Day" and honoring this County resident who has been declared missing in action since 1969 was placed on the agenda today at the request of the Fraser VFW Post. They have proof that Captain Tucci is alive and on May 8 are planning to hold a petition drive and public information program regarding the missing captain. Commissioner Sabaugh believed in congruence with this that a resolution by this Board would be appropriate. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Bedard, that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1328 - COMMENDATION TO MONSIGNOR DE KEYSER

This resolution offered by Commissioners Plutter and Caruso commends Right Reverend Monsignor Edward J. DeKeyser for over half a century of dedicated priestly and humanitarian contributions to the citizens of Macomb County. Motion was made by Plutter that this resolution be considered read and adopted. Commissioner Trombley while supporting the motion, advised of serving, when he was a young boy, as an altar boy to the monsignor when he was a priest assigned to the Commissioners's church. Ayes all and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

COUNTY PARADE: Commissioner Gavin informed the Board of attending a County parade bicentennial meeting that morning. He invited any interested Commissioner to participate in the County parade to be held May 16 and also advised the Lieutenant Governor and various other officials will be participating by riding with the County officials.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by Zoccola, that the meeting adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. Motion supported by Myslakowski and carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 A.M.


ROBERT A. VER KUILEN, CHAIRMAN


EDNA MILLER, CLERK



MAY 3, 1976

MACOMB COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

A special meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, May 3, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen called the meeting to order at 9:43 a.m. and the following members were present when the Clerk called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur Joseph Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

A quorum of the Commission being present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

AGENDA

Mr. Richard Sabaugh asked for the floor to discuss the agenda. Mr. Sabaugh felt that item 7 on the agenda should not be considered because according to rule 5b in the Rules, the Full Board must be notified prior to changing the rules and this notice must be given at a previous Board meeting. Suspending the rules, he said, would be changing the rules and the intent of suspending the rules is not to change the rules.

Mr. VerKuilen informed Mr. Sabaugh that rule XV would not be taken up at this meeting since it was, in fact, a change. Mr. McPeters said that the members could, however, vote on additions to the rules.

Mr. Myslakowski asked if notifying the members at a Finance Committee meeting could be considered sufficient since the Board members were Finance Committee members and was told that it could not be.

Mr. Back asked to have travel requests from Martha T. Berry Hospital and the Sheriff Department added to the agenda as item 7A. Mr. Underwood asked if agenda items could be added to the agenda on a special call meeting and was answered in the affirmative by Mr. McPeters.

Mr. McPeters, returning to Mr. Sabaugh's inquiry, said that sub-section c to rule XVI is a completely new rule and since it is, it was properly noticed to the Board and can be considered.

Motion by Mr. VanderPutten, supported by Back, to adopt the agenda with the addition of item 7a, the travel requests. The motion carried.

MINUTES - APRIL 20, 1976

Motion by Mr. Zoccola, supported by McCarthy, to approve the minutes of the April 20 meeting. The motion carried.

EQUALIZATION REPORT

Mr. VanderPutten moved to accept the 1976 Equalization Report, as submitted by the Director of the Equalization Department, LaVerne Shcurette. Mr. Underwood supported the motion and it carried, with Messrs. DeGrendel, Franchuk and Trombley voting no.

REPORT FROM CIVIL COUNSEL REGARDING DEPRECIATION OF
MARTHA T. BERRY MEDICAL FACILITY

Philip Anderson, Assistant Civil Counsel, said that from January 1, 1969 to December 31, 1972, the county has received no reimbursement from the state for depreciation for the Martha T. Berry Medical Facility. In January of 1973, the state started paying depreciation voluntarily. Ingham County filed a suit against the state for reimbursement of depreciation costs, and in July of 1975, won in Appeals Court and was to be reimbursed by the State Social Services Department.

There are two ways for the county to proceed, according to Mr. Anderson:

- 1) File suit against the state in the Claims Court.
- 2) Begin mandamus action in the Court of Appeals against the Social Services Department and ask the Court to issue an order telling the director to do what he is supposed to do.

Mr. Anderson felt that it would take too long to get other counties together to file a class action...that the statute of limitations might run out before the paper work could get done.

Motion by Mr. Gavin, supported by Mr. Plutter, to concur in Mr. Anderson's recommendation to sue the state for the depreciation due the county. The motion carried.

X REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BY-LAWS AND RULES SUB-COMMITTEE

The Clerk read the following recommendation from the report of the Special Committee on By-Laws and Rules, dated April 27, 1976:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHAIR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AMEND THE MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' RULES OF PROCEDURE AS FOLLOWS:

DELETE ENTIRELY RULE XV, CHAIRMAN: TERMS OF OFFICE:

AND ADD SUB-SECTION (C) TO RULE XVI AS FOLLOWS:

"(C) TIME OF APPOINTMENT: APPOINTMENT TO A BOARD OR COMMISSION WHERE SAME WOULD CAUSE A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE COUNTY OF MACOMB SHALL BE MADE BY THE BOARD PRIOR TO THE LAST DATE PROVIDED BY LAW FOR THE FILING OF NOMINATING PETITIONS FOR THE ELECTIVE OFFICE.

"APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED AT LEAST TWENTY (20) DAYS PRIOR TO FILING DEADLINE OF NOMINATING PETITIONS FOR THE OFFICE OR POSITION APPLIED FOR."

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Caruso questioned the term "adding" in reference to sub-section (c) under rule XVI. He said, "You are not adding a new rule, you are changing an old one."

Mr. McPeters reiterated, "My opinion is the same. It is a new rule. It is not amending and you can do it (add) without noticing the addition at a previous Full Board meeting."

Mr. Richard Sabaugh disagreed, saying that the intent of the rule was to make a change and this was subject to notifying the Board at a previous meeting.

Motion by Mr. McCarthy, supported by Mr. Grove, to add sub-section (c) to Rule XVI as recommended by the By-Laws and Rules Sub-Committee. Mr. Caruso asked for an explanation by the maker of the motion.

Mr. McCarthy said the need for a special election has happened in the past when a commissioner wanted to apply for the Road Commission and the purpose of this addition was to see that this did not happen again.

Mr. Back said, "This has to do with how we as a county can avoid additional election expense. The important thing to remember," he continued, "is that we are trying to save money. This rule could apply to others besides commissioners in the county."

Mr. Tomlinson said, "I was of the opinion that this action should have been taken three years ago. I wish it had. I am in complete agreement as long as the intent is to avoid a special election."

Mr. Caruso pointed out that he had nothing against Mr. Zoccola, only the matter in which this is being done.

Mr. Underwood said he felt the Board should set up the mechanics which would protect local units of government from having the burden of special elections.

Mr. Bedard wanted to know if the Road Commission appointment was going to be made prior to filing date and was answered in the affirmative. Then he asked if the commissioner who applies for the Road Commission appointment is not appointed, then could he file and run for office and was told that he could.

The Chair called for the vote on the motion. It carried with Messrs. R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Gavin, Caruso and Trombley voting no.

The Clerk read the following from the report of the Committee:

"COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BACK, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO DIRECT CIVIL COUNSEL TO INVESTIGATE THE LEGAL RAMIFICATIONS OF INCLUDING IN THE BY-LAWS (RULES OF PROCEDURE) THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING A SPECIFICALLY DOCUMENTED UNETHICAL ACTION BY ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHICH WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON A FELLOW COMMISSIONER. MOTION CARRIED."

Mr. R. Sabaugh moved to refer the matter back to the Sub-Committee for clarification.

Mr. Back said that unethical action by a Board member should be brought to the attention of the people and made a matter of public record.

Mr. Gavin said the rules are not followed as well as they should be, especially Rule III (b), regarding conduct. "If we are not going to enforce a rule," he said, "we should take it out."

Mr. Walsh moved to refer the matter back to Rules and By-Laws Sub-Committee. Mr. Bedard supported the motion and it carried.

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The Clerk read the following from the report of the Sub-Committee:

"MOTION - A motion was made by Walsh, supported by Back, that the phrase "for more than five (5) working days" be deleted from personnel policy governing department heads and/or assistant department heads vacations as transmitted in a communication to a-1 appointed department heads under date of October 15, 1973, and further, when such a communication is received by the Board Chairman that a copy thereof be provided each Commissioner and that the Board of Commissioners approve same. Motion carried."

Mr. Caruso said this should not be considered by the By-Laws Sub-Committee, it should go to Administrative Services. Mr. Caruso moved that the matter of personnel policy governing department heads' vacations be referred to the Administrative Services Committee. Mr. Myslakowski supported the motion and it carried.

Mr. McCarthy moved to have Rule XV of the "Rules of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Macomb" be considered at the next Full Board meeting. Mr. Myslakowski supported the motion and it carried.

TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. Back said the Finance Committee had referred the travel requests of the Martha T. Berry Medical Facility director and the Sheriff Department to the Full Board for action.

Motion by Mr. Tomlinson, supported by Mr. Walsh, to approve the request from Martha T. Berry for three people to attend a conference at a total cost of \$588 only. The motion carried.


Motion by Mr. Walsh, supported by Mr. Caruso, to approve the travel request for \$58 from the Sheriff Department. The motion carried.


OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Back informed the Board that his colleagues on the Tax Allocation Board asked him to have Civil Counsel investigate as relates to abolishing the Tax Allocation Board. Mr. Back's suggestion was that if the TAB could be abolished legally with a resolution that the continuity of the 15 mills would be there, it would 1) save money for the county 2) save county employees' time and 3) the townships and school districts would know what they are going to get in the way of help from one year to the next.

Mr. Johnson moved to refer the matter to Mr. McPeters for investigation and to have Mr. Shore and Mrs. Miller work with him and, if the report is ready before the next School and County Taxation Committee meeting, to have the Committee consider it. Mr. McHenry supported the motion and it carried.

Mr. VanderPutten, supported by Mr. Bedard, moved to adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. The motion carried.


ROBERT A. VER KUILEN, Chairman


EDNA MILLER, Clerk



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A special meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, May 18, 1976 in the Commissioners' Conference Room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M. The Clerk called the roll and the following members were present:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Orba A. Underwood	District 3
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur J. Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Doanld G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	Disttict 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

A quorum being present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

AGENDA

Motion was made by Plutter, supported by Myslakowskik that the Agenda be adopted. Ayes all and motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk read two letters received from Matthew A. Wagner, Chesterfield Township Supervisor; one requesting that he be placed on the Agenda for the Commissioners' meeting when they consider the appointment for Road Commissioner and the other requesting that all of the Supervisors be placed on the Agenda for that meeting. Motion was made by Walsh, supported by Grove, that the letters be received and filed. Ayes all and motion carried. The Chairman said he had talked to Mr. Wagner and told him he thought the proper way would be to have one spokesman for the group. Mr. Walsh and Mr. Tomlinson questioned why the other Supervisors would not be allowed to apeak and the Chairman explained that this would not be a public hearing.

The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Roger J. Vercruysse, Secretary-Treasurer of the Macomb County Labor Council, announcing their endorsement of John Zoccola for appointment to the County Road Commission. The Clerk then read a letter from Faye Panos, President Local 411 AFSCME urging the Board of Commissioners to appoint Mr. Zoccola to the Road Commission. Motion was made by Back, supported by VanderPutten, to receive and file these letters. Ayes all and motion carried.

The Clerk read the recommendation made by the Special Committee on By-Laws and Rules at their meeting held on April 23, 1976. Motion was made by Walsh, supported by Myslakowski, to concur in the recommendation and delete this section from the By-Laws. Ayes all and motion carried unanimously. Recommendation follows:

A motion was made by Walsh, supported by VanderPutten, to concur in the recommendation of the Chair and recommend that the Baord of Commissioners amend the Macomb County Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedure as follows:

Delete entirely Rule XV, Chairman: Terms of Office:

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING - APRIL 22, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this committee and motion was made by Zoccola, supported by Underwood, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Ayes all except Mr. Dane who abstained, and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Public Works & Transportation Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

At a meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee held on Thursday, April 22, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' Conference Room, the following members were present:

Trombley-Chairman, Gavin, Bedard, Caruso, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, McHenry, R. Sabaugh, Tomlinson, Underwood, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners VanderPutten and Walsh, who requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, Controller
Bob Maeder, Director, Facilities & Operations
Bob Waring, Operations Manager
Richard Guddeck, Deputy Purchasing Agent
Jim Koss, Animal Shelter

There being a quorum of the Committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Chairman Trombley.

REQUEST - SHERIFF PATROL VEHICLES

Mr. Guddeck referred to material previously mailed wherein the County Sheriff requests the purchase of four patrol vehicles and two six passenger station wagons. The vehicles would replace four 1975 Plymouth patrol cars and two 1975 six passenger Chevrolet station wagons that have high mileage.

Fourteen invitations to bid were sent out, and five responses were received; the results are as follows:

Albro Chrysler Plymouth	\$18,617.34
Alan Skinner Plymouth	19,296.34
Bernie Hout Chevrolet	20,358.00
Colonial Dodge	20,517.00
Roy O'Brien Ford	21,302.88

Permission is requested of committee to award the bid to the low bidder, Albro Chrysler Plymouth, in the amount of \$18,617.34. Funds would be available from the furniture and equipment appropriation.

In response to questions, Mr. Guddeck stated the station wagons have between 10,000 and 11,000 miles a month put on them; one has a total of 72,000 miles on it and the other 63,000 miles. The vehicles are being used as trade-ins, because a past attempt at auctioning used vehicles did not give the County a good return.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) PATROL VEHICLES AND TWO (2) SIX PASSENGER STATION WAGONS AS REQUESTED BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND AWARD THE BID TO THE LOW BIDDER, ALBRO CHRYSLER PLYMOUTH, IN THE BID AMOUNT OF \$18,617.34. MOTION CARRIED.

PICKUP TRUCKS - ANIMAL SHELTER

Committee was previously mailed correspondence from the Chief of the County Animal Shelter requesting permission to advertise for bids for one half-ton pickup and one half-ton cabin-chassis pickup. The reason for this request is due to high mileage on the present vehicles to be traded in and their poor condition.

The trade-ins for the above vehicles are one 1971 Chevrolet pickup and one 1974 cabin-chassis pickup.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by R. Sabaugh, supported by Hramiec, to approve the request of the Animal Shelter to go out for bids for one (1) half-ton pickup and one (1) half-ton cabin-chassis pickup. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF ANIMAL SHELTER CAGES

Mr. Guddeck referred to correspondence previously mailed committee wherein the Macomb County Animal Shelter has requested the replacement of existing galvanized cat cages with stainless steel cages.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture, Animal Health Division, on their inspection report of February 12, 1976, requested that the old galvanized cages be cleaned up or replaced. The Inspector indicated that he preferred to have the cages replaced. Mr. Koss, Chief Warden, indicated that the cat urine has corroded the galvanized metal making it very difficult/impossible to clean.

Bids were taken and two bids were received as shown below:

Dirck Manufacturing Company	\$2,426.40
Schroer Manufacturing Company	2,776.87

It is the recommendation of the Controller's Office not to award to the low bidder, but to award the bid to Schroer Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$2,776.87. The reasons for the decision are:

- a. The metal is of a heavier grade - 22 gauge vs. 24 grade.
- b. Macomb County presently has cages supplied by Schroer, therefore, the cages would be compatible.
- c. The doors of the cages secure automatically.
- d. The cage doors can be locked.
- e. The cages can be secured together tightly, leaving no space where feces can collect, causing odors.
- f. The cages can be cleaned with a pressure washer.

Permission is requested from this committee to award the bid to the Schroer Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$2,776.87. Funds would be available from the Furniture and Equipment Appropriation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY R. SABAUGH, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF STAINLESS STEEL CAGES - ANIMAL SHELTER TO THE HIGH BIDDER, SCHROER MANUFACTURING COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,776.87 FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

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- A. THE METAL IS OF A HEAVIER GRADE - 22 GRADE VS. 24 GRADE.
- B. MACOMB COUNTY PRESENTLY HAS CAGES SUPPLIED BY SCHROER, THEREFORE, THE CAGES WOULD BE COMPATIBLE.
- C. THE DOORS OF THE CAGES SECURE AUTOMATICALLY.
- D. THE CAGE DOORS CAN BE LOCKED.
- E. THE CAGES CAN BE SECURED TOGETHER TIGHTLY, LEAVING NO SPACE WHERE FECES CAN COLLECT, CAUSING ODORS.
- F. THE CAGES CAN BE CLEANED WITH A PRESSURE WASHER.

MOTION CARRIED.

PURCHASE/FILTERS

Mr. Guddeck advised bids have been received for air filters for the Macomb County's Air Handling System in the Court Building and for the County Building Computer Room, as follows:

Air Filter Sales and Service	\$2,756.52
Facet Enterprises, Inc.	2,757.00
Air Care, Inc.	2,978.80
Eaton Air Filter, Inc.	3,204.80
American Air Filter	3,242.16
Environetics	3,396.40
Air Design, Inc.	3,634.80

These air filters are purchased annually to maintain efficient air handling systems.

The bid consisted of an annual supply of filters as shown below:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>
136	Bag type filters size 24" x 24" x 29"
108	Extended surface filters size 20" x 25" x 4"

Permission is requested from this committee to award the bid to the low bidder, Air Filter Sales and Service, in the amount of \$2,756.52.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GROVE, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PURCHASE OF FILTERS FOR THE COURT AND COUNTY BUILDINGS FROM THE LOW BIDDER, AIR FILTER SALES AND SERVICE, IN THE BID AMOUNT OF \$2,756.52. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE - CITY OF NEW BALTIMORE AND MT. CLEMENS

Committee was previously mailed the aforementioned correspondence and a communique from the Controller wherein he indicates that several months ago committee authorized the Controller's Office to sell to the City of New Baltimore a surplus low band base radio station that Macomb County no longer needed.

The City of New Baltimore is now interested in purchasing four low band surplus mobile radios that Macomb has available.

The value of the surplus radios has been determined by the Macomb County Radio Department personnel to be \$300.00 to \$400.00 each, depending on the condition.

The City of New Baltimore has made the County an offer of \$300.00 each for the four units, or a total of \$1,200.00

It is also anticipated that the City of Mount Clemens would like to purchase one of the low band units for the Mount Clemens Police Department, Inter-Community Enforcement Division.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF COUNTY SURPLUS LOW BAND RADIO UNITS TO THE CITY OF NEW BALTIMORE AND CITY OF MOUNT CLEMENS, IF THEY SO DESIRE TO PURCHASE. MOTION CARRIED.

CHILLER RENOVATION - MOUNT CLEMENS HEALTH CENTER

Mr. Maeder said, as requested by the Public Works and Transportation Committee at their March meeting, the Department has obtained bids for the chiller renovation at the Mount Clemens Health Center.

Delta Temp, Inc.	\$15,855.00
C. R. Beltz Company	16,680.00
Commercial Heating	16,840.00
Kropf Mechanical	17,400.00

The low bidder, Delta Temp, Inc., is an acceptable contractor, and he recommends accepting this bid of \$15,855.00.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GROVE, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AWARD CONTRACT FOR RENOVATION OF THE CHILLER AT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO THE LOW BIDDER, DELTA TEMP, INC. FOR THE BID AMOUNT OF \$15,855.00 MOTION CARRIED.

INVOICES

Committee was previously mailed several invoices requesting payment for work performed on on-going contracted projects. The invoices before committee were reviewed and approved by the Director of Facilities and Operations. The following action was taken:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOMLINSON, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF INVOICE TO ELLIS/NAEYAERT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$724.53 FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PROBATE COURT BUILDING. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF INVOICE TO GIFFELS ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,887.17 FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF INVOICE TO WAKELY KUSHNER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,024.64 AND ANDERSON, ECKSTEIN & WESTRICK, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$790.00 FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF INVOICE TO PALMER-SMITH COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$208,059.63 FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY UNDERWOOD, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF INVOICE TO HICKSON COSTIGAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,849.70 FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PROBATE COURT BUILDING. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF INVOICE TO GIFFELS ASSOCIATES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,561.65 FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh questioned the invoice submitted by Thomas Strat Associates in the amount of \$25,784.19 for work on the Warren Satellite Public Service Facility. The invoice read as follows:

I N V O I C E

For architectural services rendered on the above mentioned project.

Estimated amount of construction cost \$2,513,500.00 and \$250,000.00 Solar System, for a grand total of \$2,763,500.00

Total estimated architectural fee \$166,283.00

Completion of services to date 77%

77% x \$166,283 \$128,037.00

 Credit to date 104,758.00

TOTAL AMOUNT OF THIS INVOICE \$23,279.00

Reimbursable Expenses:

.Multi-Color Co.	\$	2,216.57
.Complete Office Supply		104.00
.Postage for mailing of Addenda		75.77
.In-house blueprinting 160 sheets @ 40¢ ea.		64.00
.In-house Xerox printing 897 sheets @ 5¢ ea.		44.85

\$ 2,505.19

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$25,784.19

In response to question, Mr. Maeder explained according to the AIA, this architect can bill the County for, and is entitled to, 80% of its fee after bids on the project have been let out to the contractors, received and approved. To date the bids have been let out and received. The bid opening was late last week, and there were at least 31 bidders on the electrical portion of the project alone; it will take a while to review the bids submitted.

Mr. Maeder further noted the items listed as "Reimbursable Expenses" are items that are not covered by the architect's standard contract. The Multi-Color people were chosen to do the reproductions and he believed they charge according to the square footage of paper used.

Commissioner Zoccola said it doesn't seem the other architects billed for reimbursable expenses to this extent.

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Mr. Maeder said the County has always had reimbursable expenses from other architects. The contract between the County and architect is for a given percent of the project total and is for the architect's work in designing and seeing that the thing is put together. The "Reimbursables" are a separate item; it is spelled out in the AIA form that these are extras to the contract. It is for such things as blueprints, renderings, etc.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh was of the opinion the amount for these reimbursables was one of the highest coming before committee. He asked for a report on this according to the AIA.

Mr. Maeder noted Giffels Associates has reimbursables in for \$5,000.

Commissioner Hramiec pointed out the County doesn't have to follow the AIA format on these things. The next time we select an architect, we should change the language of our contract to put a maximum on these reimbursable expenses as well as request the architects to provide a degree of construction management.

Mr. Maeder explained if committee asks the architect to see something, he comes to the meeting with a rendering. The architect is charging for these visual aides, because it is not in his contract to provide them.

Commissioner Hramiec felt such things should be donated by the architects as part of their service. They have necessary duplicating equipment in their offices; after all, we are dealing with large established firms. Commissioner Hramiec said he could see additional cost for color reprints but not others.

In response to Commissioner Tomlinson's question, Mr. Maeder said his department does get copies of invoices, in this case from Multi-Color Co., to check that the amounts requested are correct.

Commissioner Grove noted the reimbursable extras from Giffels to date are \$29,000. He asked if they are all that high and what Strat Associates total reimbursables are to date.

Mr. Maeder said Strat Associates has total reimbursables of \$2,500 to date. How high this expense goes depends on what is requested by the Board.

Commissioner Underwood felt there was nothing committee could do but pay the invoice at this point in time. We should in the future, however, try to tighten up on this aspect.

Controller Shore pointed out recently the U. S. Supreme Court ordered against the Attorney's Association because the Association was setting fees for certain areas. This ruling should have bearing on architects as well. Prior to this we could not realistically go out to bid one architect against the other. If we wanted a reputable architect we had to accept that architect and all contents including reimbursable expenses. Now, however, there can be a modification in our contracts; and we aren't compelled to use the AIA as a basis. The County can now have a bid situation where architects can and should bid one to the other. All of the current contracts were signed prior to that Supreme Court decision; and at that time, we couldn't get a capable architect to vary from the AIA schedule.

Controller Shore said he would like to get new contract language together with assistance from Civil Counsel and bring it to the Public Works and Transportation Committee in the future for review.

Commissioner McHenry felt the County should also have contractor's insurance against errors and omissions.

Controller Shore indicated this is required on the basis of the size of the job.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY UNDERWOOD, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,784.19 TO THOMAS STRAT ASSOCIATES FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE WARREN SATELLITE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Hramiec, supported by Underwood, that the Controller, with assistance from Civil Counsel, develop new contractual agreement language other than what is currently used by the County.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked if this could start with the Martha T. Berry project now being considered.

Controller Shore indicated this is what he had in mind if contract language can be developed. That contract can then be used for the basis of bids rather than the AIA.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh also asked that the Controller's Office correspond with all architects now working with the County to find out what kind of insurance they have.

Commissioner Tomlinson hoped if the County develops such a contract, we won't be locked into the low bidder.

Mr. Shore cautioned that because the County creates a contract doesn't mean that the architects will bid our projects.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CHANGE ORDER - PALMER-SMITH CO.

Committee was in receipt of copy of Change Order #104 from Palmer-Smith Co. (attached to Committee Report) in the amount of \$24,644 on the Rehabilitation Center contract.

Mr. McClure of Giffels Associates (architects on the project) was in attendance and explained a bulletin was issued changing gas service at the Rehabilitation Center, because originally there wasn't gas available. Mr. McClure said back in January, 1975 they requested Mr. Maeder to apply for gas allotment, which he did. Subsequently, they were waiting for the approval; but it didn't come. They went out for bids on May 29, 1975; and just a couple weeks before that, they finally got a meeting with the gas company. Mr. McClure said he was informed at that time there was no gas allotment available and he wasn't even able to get any basic information from the gas company.

Unfortunately, the project was designed for a line to run from the old jail to the new area based on the assumption that we could get one pound or so of gas pressure. During this time negotiations with the gas company continued, and they went out for bids with the idea if they could settle with the gas company, fine; we would have to make changes or switch fuels. Mr. McClure said they were then given an allotment from the gas company and had a meeting with them (however, this was after the bids were in); at said meeting they were informed by the gas company the County would be furnished with $\frac{1}{4}$ pound of pressure, (the pipe size being used is too small for that low pressure, so it must be enlarged). Also, the gas company requested location of the gas meter. Originally, in discussion with them they approved location of this meter in the exercise yard as long as there was a fence around it. They gas company now wants it changed, and the cost of the change order includes relocating the meter as well as new pipe size for the gas line. Mr. McClure said it's a good size pipe line; and if the County builds to the west, this line could be used.

In response to question, Mr. McClure reiterated it is necessary to change the size of the gas line because $\frac{1}{4}$ pound of pressure is all the gas company will furnish.

Commissioner Tomlinson said he sees no alternative and offered the following:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOMLINSON, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF CHANGE ORDER #104 TO PALMER-SMITH CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,644 FOR NECESSARY WORK ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER.

Commissioner Bedard said as he understandt it, this will cost the County \$24,644 because the gas company won't give us more pressure.

Mr. McClure replied the gas company does not like to give more than $\frac{1}{4}$ pound pressure. This $\frac{1}{4}$ pound pressure was given back when nothing was generally available, and the County was lucky to have gotten gas.

Commissioner DeGrendel questioned the gas company's request to relocate the gas meter when they originally agreed to its current placement.

Mr. McClure said he believes the reason for their request to relocate is the maintenance factor. Once the exercise yard is completed, a high brick wall will be up and the gas company wouldn't be able to get their equipment in there when and if maintenance is needed.

In response to further questions by Commissioner DeGrendel, Mr. McClure said he is of the opinion the relocation of this meter does not have a great affect on the cost; it is not a significant portion of this \$24,644 cost.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

AMENDMENT TO LEASE, COUNTY LIBRARY

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the Controller dated April 12, 1976.

Mr. Shore explained he is submitting for committee's consideration an amendment (see committee report) of the current agreement with Macomb County Community College for that property which they sold to the County of Macomb on Hall Road, for the purpose of construction of a County Library Building.

The original contract had a reverter clause which turned back the property to the Community College if construction did not commence within five (5) years.

This agreement extends the time for construction an additional two (2) years to June 16, 1978.

Civil Counsel has reviewed this and agrees with the contents.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY TOMLINSON, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE ORIGINAL LEASE BETWEEN MACOMB COUNTY AND THE MACOMB COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, WHICH GRANTS AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS, THAT IS UNTIL JUNE 16, 1978, ON THE PROPERTY SOLD TO THE COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF A COUNTY LIBRARY. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by McHenry, supported by Zoccola, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 A.M. Motion carried.

Raymond H. Trombley, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

MAY 18, 1976

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING - MAY 17, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this committee and motion was made by Trombley, supported by Hramiec, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. There was some question about whether the positions of Parks Aid will go Personnel and the Chairman said it would and then come back to the Board. On voice vote there were all ayes, with Mr. Walsh requesting his not vote on the recommendation concerning Bulletin 106 be recorded, and motion carried. Committee report follows:

May 17, 1976

To: The Honorable Board of Commissioners
From: Ray Trombley, Chairman
Public Works & Transportation Committee

A special meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee was held this day to discuss matters that must be acted on at a special meeting of the Full Board of Commissioners. The discussion on these matters will be detailed in the minutes, however, to get these matters before the Full Board, this concise report is necessary.

CHANGE ORDER #105 - Palmer Smith
Rehabilitation Center

Committee was in receipt of a contract change order from Palmer Smith seeking authority to proceed with the Architectural and Mechanical Trade work only as outlined in Bulletin No. 106, dated February 16, 1976.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY MC HENRY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF FACILITIES & OPERATIONS FOR AUTHORITY FOR PALMER-SMITH COMPANY TO PROCEED WITH THE ARCHITECTURAL AND MECHANICAL TRADE WORK ONLY AS OUTLINED IN BULLETIN NO. 106, DATED FEBRUARY 16, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,043.00 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED, WITH COMMISSIONER WALSH VOTING NO.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
DOLLIER GALINEE COUNTY PARK

Committee was in receipt of a high priority matter in the development of the Dollier Galinee County Park. Commissioner Tarnowski explained that they were seeking approval of an advance from the county in the amount of \$93,000 to the Parks & Recreation Commission. He referred to estimated fees to be collected for the use of the park and a rough estimate would be approximately \$20,000. It is recommended by the Parks & Recreation Commission that the county advance the necessary funds at this time against obtaining reimbursement through revenues to be generated through use of the Dollier-Galinee Park. (see material attached to committee report - 5-18-76 meeting file)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION IN THE ADVANCE OF THE SUM OF \$93,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING HIGH PRIORITY ITEMS AT THE DOLLIER GALINEE COUNTY PARK AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee then discussed the summary of manpower necessary for the Dollier-Galinee Park. (see material attached to committee report - 5-18-76 meeting file) Committee discussed the need for the additional manpower and the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION IN THE HIRING OF A STENO CLERK II AND A PARKS SUPERVISOR AND THAT THE HIRING OF A PARKS AID II AND PARK AID I BE DONE THROUGH THE SUMMER PROGRAM AND WITH CETA FUNDS, IF POSSIBLE, AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

PRESENTATION OF ELECTRICAL SURVEY

Committee was in receipt of a Master Electrical Service Plan as prepared by David Silberg of the Electrical Consulting Engineers firm of Perry & Silberg. The purpose of the report was to evaluate the present primary system at the Macomb County Service Center and to recommend the proper distribution of electrical power to the existing buildings. Mr. Silberg reviewed his report in detail. Mr. Shore also presented to committee an alternate method that could be utilized and after much discussion, the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT OF CARL WALKER & ASSOCIATES, INC. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO PROCEED ON A BID BASIS FOR THE ELECTRICAL WORK TO BE DONE AT THE MACOMB COUNTY SERVICE CENTER, WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF CARL WALKER & ASSOCIATES, INC. AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

REVIEW OF BIDS AND AWARD CONTRACT FOR WARREN
SATELLITE FACILITY

Committee was in receipt of bid elements which constitute a total project cost of

\$2,558,601.31 for the Warren Satellite Facility. There was discussion on the various bids received, out of which the following motion ensued:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THOMAS STRAT & ASSOCIATES, INC. TO AWARD BIDS AS IDENTIFIED IN HIS LETTER OF MAY 17, 1976 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,558,601.31 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

June Walczak
Assistant Committee Reporter

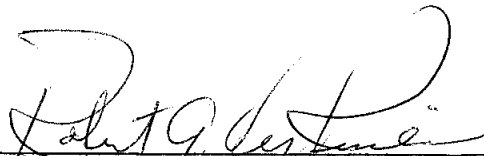
Mr. Blomberg, Civil Counsel, informed the Board that the City of Warren has signed an agreement and Easement together with a Warranty Deed for property for the Macomb County Satellite Building in Warren. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Caruso, that Macomb County accept the property for this purpose and authorize the Chairman of the Board and the County Clerk to sign the agreement. On voice vote there were all ayes and motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

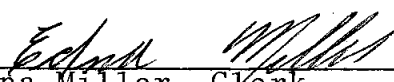
Commissioner McCarthy said he had been appointed to the Land Use Committee for the National Association of Counties and it was their opinion that HB 4234 should not be passed. He said the Michigan Assn. of Counties has gone on record opposing this Bill in its entirety.

Mr. McCarthy also expressed concern for HB 6010 which deals with tax base sharing of the different communities. The Chairman informed him that Mr. Grove and Mr. Myslakowski have been aware of this bill and are planning to attend the public hearing.

Motion by Walsh, supported by VanderPutten, to adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.



Robert A. Verkuilen, Chairman



Edna Miller, Clerk

MAY 26, 1976

A regular meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, May 26, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M. and the following members were present when the Clerk called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur J. Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John C. Hramiec	District 16
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

Commissioner Underwood was excused because of illness. A quorum of the membership present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

AGENDA

Motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by Hramiec, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

MINUTES--MAY 3 and 18, 1976

The minutes of the Board meetings held May 3 and 18, 1976 had been previously forwarded to each Commissioner and, there being no objections or corrections made thereto, motion was made by Caruso, supported by DeGrendel, that they be approved as presented. Ayes all and the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence, as read by the Clerk and received from Fern McCall, Cusino High School nurse, commended the Board on the County funded program on rape instituted by the Crisis Center and held throughout the County for high school age girls. Motion was made by VanderPutten to receive and file said correspondence. Motion supported by Franchuk and carried.

The Board Chairman advised of receipt this morning of a letter from Commissioner John Zoccola, tendering his resignation from the Macomb County Board of Commissioners, effective immediately. The Clerk read said letter. Commissioner McCarthy moved to receive and file said letter and accept, with regret, the resignation of John Zoccola from the Macomb County Board of Commissioners. Motion supported by McHenry. Ayes all, motion carried.

FRIEND OF THE COURT REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF THE PRESENT COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Robert I. Coulon, Friend of the Court, advised the Board that his presence today was to request approval for extension of the present Cooperative Reimbursement Program.

On April 20, 1976 the Board had approved application to the Michigan Department of Social Services for renewal of the Cooperative Reimbursement Program for Macomb County for fiscal year 1976-77. Later that day, Mr. Coulon continued, he was contacted by the Office of Central Registry in Lansing to discuss the possibility of an extension of the current Cooperative Reimbursement Program which terminated April 30, 1976 due to a \$70,000.00 surplus in the County's Reimbursement Program for fiscal year 1975-76. The Registry Office believed that those monies should be exhausted before approving the new program for 1976-77.

Mr. Coulon continued, the Office of Central Registry would approve the additional staff requested in the new application and he would be in a position to hire these people as soon as the Board of Commissioners approved the extension of the existing program.

When asked by Commissioner Gavin if the surplus monies could be used not only for staff but the proposed enlarging of the Friend of the Court Office as well, Mr. Coulon indicated he would telephone and get that information for tomorrow morning's PWT Committee meeting.

Motion was made by Caruso, that the Board of Commissioners concur in the request of the Friend of the Court and approve the extension of the present Cooperative Reimbursement Program in that County department for a period of ninety (90) days; further that the Board Chairman be authorized to sign said Extension Agreement. Motion supported by Hramiec. Ayes all and motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE - APRIL 27, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendation made by this Committee. Motion was made by Plutter, supported by Hramiec, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Ayes all and motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Tuesday, April 27, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Grove, Hramiec, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, Vander-Putten, Walsh and Zoccola

Not present were Commissioners Gavin and Johnson who requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Bob Nyovich, Director Law Enforcement/Planning
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer
LaVerne Schuette, Director Equalization Department
Adam Nowakowski, County Treasurer
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Chairman Back.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Zoccola, supported by Walsh, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems as submitted for the period April 12 through April 23, 1976. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PLUTTER, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$778,673.60 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 2, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$831,643.67 AND THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE SO APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - APRIL 29, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this Committee. Motion was made by Caruso that the report be received, filed and the recommendation adopted. Motion supported by Hramiec and carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Judiciary & Public Safety Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE held on Thursday, April 29, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners conference room, the following members were present:

Hramiec-Chairman, DeGrendel, Back, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Walsh and Zoccola

Also present:

Commissioners McCarthy, Franchuk, Grove, VanderPutten and Gavin
Joe Zacharzewski, Director, Personnel/Labor Relations
John Perry, Law Enforcement
Sam Crimando, Court Administrator
Bob Nyovich, Director, Law Enforcement
Mary Quade
Roger Tilles, Secretary to Bobby Krim
John Shore, County Controller
WBRB

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Chairman Hramiec.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED RADIO
DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION

Commissioner Myslakowski said he is not too familiar with the functions of the radio Department. In looking at the material that was mailed, there is no outline of the personnel involved. He said he understands that the Radio Department had a sub-committee and thought before this committee comes to a vote, they should be furnished with a complete outline of what is involved. In the administration of the Radio Department, the sub-committee should be reinstated. He then offered the following motion:

A motion was offered by Myslakowski supported by S. Sabaugh to refer the matter of the reorganization of the Radio Department to the Radio Sub-committee.

No action was ever taken on this motion.

Mr. Shore then stated that he had been requested by this committee to give a review of the operational functions of the Radio Department and to come back with certain recommendations. The recommendations are contained in the letter that was mailed with the agenda. He said the intent of this correspondence is not to touch upon the services being currently rendered by that department. He is not suggesting that services now being offered to any unit of government - police, fire, sanitation or any other - be minimized, curtailed or charged for. That is not the intent of this letter. All he attempted to do was to bring before the committee a situation that did exist in the past and will exist in the future and that is one of supervision and management. He said he felt that in the case of the Radio Department this function can be performed first, without the high cost of expertise management sitting on the site; and second, felt there must be better documentation and systemization of records in the Radio Department. The feeling is that a total cost system should be instituted so that accountability can be determined. What is the cost of services; what are we performing; who are we performing it for?

Mr. Shore continued. They had documentation in the past which indicated it would only take one and one-third of a man to service the county function of the Radio Department. He said they would like to set up a system of cost accounting in that department and make them adhere to it. Who are they performing the service for; what is the cost; they should document the time needed; where the facilities are needed. They have heard conflicting stories of whether they should have a southern annex or combine the department in one location.

Mr. Shore said he made this recommendation about three years ago, and that was that the Radio Department be combined with Law Enforcement. The Law Enforcement Department at the present time swala with every governmental unit, as far as the police are concerned. They have dealt with every local unit on the fire training program. The primary purpose of the Radio Department was to verify that the county has a central system to allow every unit of government to have the best possible service. One central organization would oversee that service. He said he is not asking for any modification of that. This relates itself to first, supervision, and second, through more adequate accountability, would be able to control inventories and the time and performance of the individuals working in the department.

Commissioner Walsh said he would like to point out, for the benefit of Commissioner Myslakowski, that under Commissioner Back, Chairman of the Administrative Services Committee, they started a study throughout the county. The Committee of the Future was set up to study all of the departments in the county and he was Chairman of that committee. They worked for the first few years surveying every department. The Radio Department was one of them. He said it was the feeling of many of the Commissioners that \$20,000 is too much money to have someone supervise the people in that department. That is why there was no move to set up a Director for that department.

Commissioner Walsh continued. They felt by tying the Radio Department in with the Law Enforcement that it would be a natural method for the Controller. They have to know what is happening to the equipment, where the men are and what they are doing. He said he is opposed to spending money for a Director. They have a Technician Leader and would elevate him to a working supervisor and put the operation under the Law Enforcement. He said he would have to stand behind Commissioner Back's work of years past.

Commissioner Plutter pointed out that since Mr. Hill retired, Mr. Morrison contacted him and everyone knows what kind of a radio man he was. He would like to come back to that department part ime with a salary not to run more than \$2,400 a year.

Mr. Caruso said he would like to make a motion:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNTY CONTROLLER IN THAT THE RADIO DEPARTMENT BE PUT UNDER

THE DIRECTION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT TOGETHER WITH THE ADDITIONAL ENUMERATED RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE COUNTY CONTROLLER'S LETTER OF APRIL 19, 1976 AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Myslakowski said he made a motion to refer this matter to the Committee of the Future for better accountability. He pointed out there are eight employees in the Radio Department. He thought this matter should be referred to the sub-committee before it is noted on. He said there should be a line study and an outline made of the department as it was in the past and as it will be in the future.

Commissioner Back pointed out that Commissioner Dane was Chairman of the special committee of the Radio Department and spent many meetings as relates to that. He said Commissioner Myslakowski knew this was coming up on the agenda today and he could have looked at the minutes for 1971 and 1972 and he would have all the information necessary to make a decision. The administrative Services minutes and their recommendations and comments and all that information is there. He said he could see no reason to delay this further.

Commissioner Dane referred to past meetings concerning the Radio Department and at that time there was much criticism of that department. They thought perhaps more money could be saved by charging fees to the local communities and thus subsidize losing costs in the county or get out of the Radio Department and subcontract to private contractors. The studies have been done as well as the research work. In 1969 some of the criticism came to a head. John Shore recommended three years ago that some changes be made and they are following through with additional ones today. This has been gone through over a period of years. They had several meetings. The department head of that department was here to answer questions, but they didn't get any answers. Through the whole meeting when the Director was asked questions, he just shrugged his shoulders. They didn't get any suggestions or help.

Commissioner Dane continued. The Radio Sub-committee is inactive at this time and having been Chairman of that sub-committee he said he has no burning desire to take that project back on. He said it is here in black and white. He said he would just as soon take action today.

Commissioner Walsh said Commissioner Back brought up a point. The most important thing here is what is being recommended is a final recommendation coming from the Controller. It was the recommendation from the Board of Commissioners right along. The Administrative Sub-committee has supported it. Administrative Services supported it. We are trying to save some money. He said he didn't think Commissioner Myslakowski should be prevented from making his tabling motion if he wishes to make it. If it carries it carries.

Commissioner Bedard said he was not on the Board when all of this was going on, but when he got this notice he contacted Mr. Nyovich and he briefed him on all that had happened. They discussed it in detail.

Commissioner Tarnowski said right now they are talking about administration to run the department. Mr. Nyovich is an expert as far as administration of his department and he could be the administrator of the Radio Department.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said he had an opportunity to talk to Commissioner Myslakowski before the meeting. He said his concern is the fact that Mr. Nyovich is already confronted with a great deal of responsibility. He said Mr. Nyovich is doing an outstanding job. He is Legislative Aide; he works with the LEAA grants; he is in charge of Civil Defense and he can appreciate Commissioner Myslakowski's concern about this. He said he has not researched the minutes either and he hasn't received enough information to make a suitable recommendation on this matter at this meeting.

Commissioner Myslakowski said that Commissioner Caruso's motion does not spell out which way to go.

Commissioner Caruso said his intentions were to put the Radio Department under the direction of Mr. Nyovich in the Law Enforcement Department and to raise the Technician Leader to the position of Senior Leader.

Commissioner Back asked Mr. Nyovich if he could handle the Radio Department. Mr. Nyovich replied that he could.

Commissioner Back said Mr. Shore made reference to using other technicians when needed and asked if this is any different than the previous procedure that the old Radio Department worked under for the last three or five years.

Mr. Nyovich said the way the previous administration ran was if they ran into a problem they couldn't handle, they couldn't hire anyone. In order to hire anyone they had to explain such a need.

Mr. Shore said the budgetary item asked for was for one reason. Most of the Police Departments, if not all, through LEAA grants, have been modernized. They have new equipment. The Fire Departments are in good shape. If their own personnel are not capable or cannot get free consultant advice, he is assured it is available for most questions from various companies whose equipment the county uses. If that is not possible, then they would have to request to be permitted to take bids on a consultant basis. Mr. Shore stated that Morrison was a graduate engineer and Mr. Hill was not. There were many times when Mr. Hill had to seek professional advice.

Commissioner DeGrendel said in talking to John Shore and Nyovich on this, they believe it could be handled in this way. It is refreshing to know we can cost something out of the budget instead of always adding on to it. Some people are overlooking the fact if it doesn't work out, we can hire a man. He would be in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Myslakowski asked what would be done with the salary that is a line item in the budget.

Mr. Shore said that the salary would be held for a number of purposes. It would be held in the budget for contingencies, for expertise, if necessary. Secondly, they have to negotiate a salary for the senior technician leader. They don't know what that salary will be as yet. This is the reason he does not know what the potential savings will be.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

John C. Hramiec, Chairman

June Walczak, Assistant Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - MAY 11, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendation made by this Committee. Motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Franchuk, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Commissioner VanderPutten stated he voted "no" at the Committee meeting (second Committee action) and wishes to continue to do so. The motion carried with Commissioner VanderPutten voting "no". Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Tuesday, May 11, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building, Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Underwood, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Also present:

John Shore, Controller
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Dane, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems as submitted for the period April 30 through May 7, 1976. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was in receipt of the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared and mailed by the Controller's Office. A review of the bill listing was conducted and questions were asked on several vouchers. Said vouchers included, but were not limited to, the following:

Page 5, Voucher 136, Sharon Kowal, \$650, Outside Court Reporter

Dave Diegel explained that this cost represented payment of an outside court reporter for a visiting Judge.

Page 11, Voucher 5-345, IBM Corporation - \$2,452.00, four typewriters

Dave Diegel explained that this was for four typewriters that were traded in by the Clerk's Office. They purchased IBM Selectric Typewriters with a 15½ inch carriage and received \$80 each on the tradein.

Page 12, Voucher 5-242, Tom Welsh - \$142.86, Vehicle repair and maintenance

Dave Diegel explained that this should have been made payable to the Office of Public Works and not to Tom Welsh as an individual for gas purchased by the Radio Department. However, Voucher 5-243 represents gas purchased at the Service Center which is chargeable to vehicle repair and maintenance. This represents a quarterly billing.

Page 13, Voucher 5-302, Oakland County Hospital - \$20,035.48, Hospital fee

Dave Diegel explained that this hospital billing was for a patient who had TB. This bill is a legitimate charge to the Health Department.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said he would like a further explanation of this bill and asked that Mr. Diegel hold up this payment until an explanation of the bill from the Health Department is received.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GROVE, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$631,581.78 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT: FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 16, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$843,643.67 AND THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE SO APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee was in receipt of a request from the Bicentennial Commission for authority to pay costs of the County Bicentennial Parade.

Charlotte Boyd, the Bicentennial Corrdinator, then explained the need for the funds she was seeking today. The funds, while in their budget, would necessitate a change from their line items. Mrs. Boyd gave a resume of the Bicentennial Parade which will be staged on Sunday, May 16.

Commissioner Walsh noted an error in the addition for the costs which would reduce the request from \$2,400 to \$2,200. Mrs. Boyd explained that the item of \$550 for the costs of four men and two trucks from the Road Commission to place detour signs would be eliminated, so that would reduce the costs to \$1,650.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh was of the opinion that there should be something in the parade to indicate that it is being sponsored by the Macomb County Board of Commissioners. He suggested that a banner be carried at the head of the parade indicating that the parade is sponsored by the Board of Commissioners, and offered the following motion:

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by R. Sabaugh, supported by Myslakowski, that a banner be purchased by the Bicentennial Commission, said banner to be carried at the head of the Bicentennial Parade, indicating that the parade is sponsored by the Macomb County Board of Commissioners.

Discussion continued. Commissioner VanderPutten said he is voting against the motion. He said it is a waste of money, because the Bicentennial has been an arm of the Board of Commissioners.

Chairman Back pointed out that this money has already been appropriated. It is in the budget.

Commissioner Gavin said he never saw a parade where someone takes the credit for putting the parade on. He said he would vote against this motion.

Commissioner Myslakowski said he agrees with Commissioner R. Sabaugh. The taxpayers should know that the Board of Commissioners is sponsoring the parade.

Commissioner Dane said he thinks it only fair that the Board of Commissioners take credit for something they are responsible for.

Commissioner Underwood said he would not be in favor of such a motion.

A vote was then called on the motion as presented and the MOTION CARRIED with Commissioners Underwood, VanderPutten, Gavin, DeGrendel, Trombley and Tomlinson voting NO.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - MAY 11, 1976

Upon hearing the recommendations of this Committee, as read by the Clerk, motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Grove, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Personnel Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

At a meeting of the PERSONNEL COMMITTEE held Tuesday, May 11, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Franchuk-Chairman, Bedard, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Gavin, Grove, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, Underwood, VanderPutten, Walsh, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:50 A.M.

VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT
BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Committee was in receipt of the vacant or soon-to-be vacant budgeted personnel positions as reviewed by the Personnel/Labor Relations Director and listed within correspondence from him dated May 3, 1976 with recommendation and re-confirmation as follows:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
One Ass't III Prosecutor (S. F. Osinski) position vacant May 14, 1976	Prosecutor's Office
One LPN (Shirley Womble) position vacant April 3, 1976	Martha T. Berry
One RN Staff Nurse (Barbara Edwards) position vacant December 5, 1975	Martha T. Berry
Three RN-PHN II's Sandra Garr, position vacant May 20, 1976 Suzanne Cantwell, position vacant May 28, 1976 Kathleen Masters, position vacant May 28, 1976	Health Department
One TC I (E. Beckeney) position vacant April 30, 1976	Juvenile Court
One SC II, (C. Engel-transferred) position vacant December 29, 1975	Controller's Office Purchasing Division
Two TC I/II, position vacant April 5, 1976 (E. Torp) & Elizabeth Lee, May 8, 1976	Library

Mr. Zacharzewski said, as usual, there are additional vacancies received too late for inclusion in his letter. These are also necessary to maintain the current level of services in the respective departments and are budgeted positions as follows:

1. A custodian in Facilities & Operations Division
2. Payroll Clerk in the Payroll Department
3. An Inspector with the Soil Erosion at the Drain Office

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS LISTED. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Hramiec said that he has learned from the Senate Judiciary Committee that Senate Bill 619 had added another Circuit Judge. He said he learned from the Senate Clerk that it passed last night. He said he talked to Senator Guastello and it has passed. Since it will now go to the House, he contacted Representative DiNello and other representatives and asked them to go into a joint conference. There should be more discussion on this before it is passed. He wanted the members of the Board to be apprised of this. He said that Judge Deneweth has indicated he will go to Lansing and testify in front of the joint conference committee.

Commissioner Dane said this whole thing stinks. The way it was handled with the amendment, the fact that this Board of Commissioners, with its input and present budget situation, should be put in this position. We have to do more than keep on it. He then offered the following motion:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DANE, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS GO ON RECORD AS OPPOSING THE ADDITIONAL CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF MACOMB.

Discussion continued. Commissioner R. Sabaugh said that Judge Binkowski in Warren is running for Circuit Judge. Someone contacted his favorite legislator to create another Judgeship. The thing about this is that the \$150,000 necessary may result in a layoff of county employees. Judge Binkowski is running. Three or four others are running for re-election. Their only concern is that someone will get knocked off. Creating a new Judgeship creates a financial burden. A letter should be written to the Judicial Tenure on this. Now, just before the filing date, this comes up. Guastello is also a partner in crime.

Board Chairman VerKuilen said it was his understanding that the recommendation came from the Supreme Court because of the case load in this county and in other counties.

Commissioner Back said it was he who brought this to the attention of the Chairman of the Board. Judge Deneweth said he would come here. He talked to him over the weekend and the information he got from everyone was that it came as a recommendation from the Supreme Court. When you make specific charges, you should go easy on that. He said he can recall two and one-half years ago when Justice Kavanaugh sat here and he was of the opinion that the county needed another Judge. He was recommending an increase. They were taking Judges from our county and putting them in Wayne County for a period

of 60 to 90 days. This recommendation did not come as the result of any of the Judges here. It came as a recommendation from the Supreme Court. An Aide from the Supreme Court said if you don't get a Judge now, it won't be until 1978 when you get one.

Commissioner McHenry said out Judges felt they could handle the case load. If there was a recommendation for more Judges, our Judges would let this Board know that they wanted help. They have always been very cooperative.

Commissioner Dane said he is not commenting on any of the remarks with respect to the Supreme Court Administrator's Office making the recommendation. His point is, so what, whether it came from the Supreme Court. He, as a Commissioner, could call them up and tell them that according to the population figures, we should have another Circuit Court Judge. His concern is that this affects the county and the Board of Commissioners and the budget. That is why he is concerned. The County will be held financially responsible. As fast as this is moving is all the more reason to contact our Legislators to tell them how we feel.

Commissioner Myslakowski said he agrees with Commissioner Dane. Something is strange. This is moving so quickly. Our Judges are doing a good job and he didn't think the county needed an extra Judge.

Chairman Franchuk then called on Judge Deneweth, who had just entered the meeting.

Judge Deneweth said he came here for one specific reason and hopes what he has to say would put this matter to rest once and for all. The reason the recommendation came out of the Supreme Court now was because the statistics from the Clerk's Office were not complete for the calendar year 1975. At about the time he was ready to go away over Easter, the State Bar appointed a series of docket study committees throughout the state. It consisted of a three man committee, of whom Tom Rinehart was Chairman.

Tom Rinehart called him before he left for vacation and asked him if it would be all right if they came in and examined the figures and he told them yes. They came up with a report which indicates that in the calendar year of 1975, despite the fact that every Judge in the county disposed of almost six cases per working day, the docket was back 1400 cases. At that point, the Supreme Court recommended to the Senate Judiciary Committee, in which the Bill was sitting, some additional Judgeships (our county was one of them).

Judge Deneweth continued. When he got back from vacation, he found out that the Bill was before the Senate and it included an extra Judge for the county. In his conversations, the Bill was reported off the floor of the Senate. He requested that it not be passed, that it be tabled in order to have a chance to discuss it. It is his understanding now that it was passed last night by the Senate Judiciary Committee. He has requested and has been assured that it will go to a conference committee of the House. They not only added an extra Judge for this county, they added five or six others. He has been assured that it will go to a house conference committee and at that particular point in time, the ninth Judge for this county can be taken out.

Judge Deneweth said you want to know his position. It is this. There is no question that an extra Judge is needed. He did not instigate this. Statistics will bear out the fact. Every Judge is working at top capacity. There were over 10,000 trials last year and there will be more than that this year. They will continue to do everything to see to it that they keep abreast of the situation. He said he will make the report of the special committee on the docket study available for the members of this committee. If it is the consensus of this Board that an extra Judge is not necessary, he will not fight. He will only say one thing. All of the talk which he hears now seemed strangely absent when a third Probate Judge was added for ten years. The Bench did not ask for this. Judge Deneweth said at this stage of the game he couldn't care less what the Board does or doesn't do. He is tired of fighting. He will present the report he has for the Board to do with as they please.

Judge Deneweth continued. If it is the consensus of this Board that an additional Judge is not necessary, he will not go to the Legislature to argue for or against it. He didn't do it before and he doesn't intend to do it now. When you start talking about political deals, he suggests you check the facts and ask this question. Where were the conversations concerning the ten year probate term that was added, four years beyond that allowed by law. Question whether or not there was a political deal there. If people throw rocks at us, we will throw them back. The discussion is ended. I don't care what you do. He said he will stand on his record and the record of every Circuit Judge in the county. He will stack the record against any Judge in the State of Michigan, whether Probate, District or Circuit. The discussion is ended. The Bill will not be adopted unless someone gives it the O.K. It won't come from him.

Board Chairman VerKuilen stated that last Thursday Judge Deneweth came to him and told him what was happening. He said there is one thing that disturbs him and that is he feels an apology is needed. Insinuations and allegations were made that were unfounded and unnecessary. There is no reason for those allegations of political deals. The Judges have been honest and above board. This type of rapport should not be allowed and he was of the opinion that a public apology was in order.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he is not backing off. A deal has been cut. Why doesn't the House even discuss or recommend the idea of an additional Circuit Judge.

Judge Deneweth said the reason that was added in the Senate was because the Bill had already passed the House. If a Judge is to be added in 1977 it has to be passed fast. It is his understanding that the Bill would have to go to the House Judiciary Committee and then to a conference committee. The reason that speed is of the essence, is it would have to happen in time to allow people to file petitions. The deadline is June 3. Judge Deneweth said he didn't think other Circuit Judges

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are as aware as he is of what is going on.

Commissioner Back said when a Bill passes the House, that Bill can be amended. If it is amended in any way, it must go back to the House, as amended. When he talked to Judge Deneweth, he explained that this request did not come from anyone in the county. It came from the State Supreme Court, through the Bar Association.

Committee then turned their attention to the motion on the floor. A vote was called for on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Walter Franchuk, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE - MAY 12, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendation made by this Committee. DeGrendel, supported by McCarthy, moved that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Administrative Services Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE held on Wednesday, May 12, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Tarnowski-Chairman, Dane, Franchuk, Grove, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tomlinson, VanderPutten and VerKuilen

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations
Richard Guddeck, Purchasing Agent
Ray McPeters, Chief Civil Counsel
Al Blomberg, Director Civil Counsel
Phil Anderson, Assistant Civil Counsel

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:35 A.M. by the Chairman.

PAGE COMMUNICATION UNITS

Committee was previously mailed correspondence from the Controller pursuant to an offer made by the Radio Relay Corporation.

Mr. Guddeck informed committee the Radio Relay Corporation has offered to supply Macomb County with ten paging communication units in lieu of a rental fee, for allowing them to locate their transmitting equipment on the roof of the Macomb County Building.

The Radio Relay Corporation is a privately owned business and is licensed by the Michigan Public Service Commission. Their space requirements for the transmitter are 2' x 2' x 5' high in the roof penthouse and the antenna would be mounted directly on the roof. Normally, for renting space for the transmitter, the Radio Relay Corporation pays an average of \$70.00 to \$120.00 per month including electric, or approximately \$1,200.00 per year.

Macomb County is presently renting two paging communication units for the Macomb County Probate Court and has received requests for three units from the Macomb County Sheriff, three for Law Enforcement and one from the Health Department. This is a total of nine paging communication units.

The rental for the ten units that the Radio Relay Corporation would furnish the county is \$23.50 each, \$282.00 each per year or a total of \$2,820.00 per year, for ten units. This includes all maintenance, batteries and message service.

If Macomb County were to purchase the equipment, the cost would be \$275.00 each per unit or for ten units \$2,750.00 plus an extra cost of \$424.00 for an encoder or a total cost of \$3,174.00 for the first year. Additional yearly costs would be incurred for maintenance of the equipment and also for labor for operating the encoder that activates the system.

Commissioner McCarthy asked if the County's legal department reviewed the proposed lease for space, to which Mr. Guddeck replied they have not reviewed it because he wished to secure committee's feelings on this matter prior to proceeding.

In response to other questions by Commissioner McCarthy, Mr. Guddeck indicated within the proposed lease it says the antenna they wish to install will not interfere with the ir Base or other county equipment. It's a standard 20 foot whip antenna similar to the antenna already in the roof. These include 8 county antennae; 2 for Detroit Edison (which the county collects rent on) and one (1) for Clinton Township

Commissioner McCarthy was of the opinion the offer made by Radio Relay Corporation was beneficial but before entering into an agreement the legal department should look over the lease agreement and advise of their recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY MYSLAKOWSKI, RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE MR. GUDDECK TO PROCEED WITH NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO IMPLEMENT AN AGREEMENT WITH THE RADIO RELAY CORPORATION AND THAT WE ENTER INTO THE LEASE AGREEMENT SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF SAID LEASE BY CIVIL COUNSEL.

In response to question from Commissioner Muslakowski, Mr. Guddeck explained the county is currently renting 2 paging units for Probate Court. Assignment of the additional units the county would receive would be upon recommendation of this committee. The requests he informed committee of this morning were just an indication this type of equipment is being asked for. Mr. Guddeck emphasized he would bring any departmental requests for these page communication units to the Administrative Services Committee for review and determination of distribution.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

PENDING VACANCY - COUNTY'S LEGAL COUNSEL STRUCTURE

Chairman Tarnowski referred to copy of correspondence submitted to the Full Board in February from Al Blomberg advising of his resignation from the position of Director, Macomb County Civil Counsel, effective June 1, 1976. Chairman Tarnowski noted it is now up to the Administrative Services Committee to discuss this situation, consider a replacement for Mr. Blomberg, and who the other attorneys will be to be slotted into budgeted positions as well as any other ramifications.

Commissioner McCarthy said he felt this matter received a good deal of discussion among Commissioners and offered the following in order to get the issue off dead center:

A motion was offered by McCarthy, supported by VanderPutten, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve Ray W. McPeters, currently Chief Civil Counsel, being elevated to the position of Director of Civil Counsel for Macomb County; further, that Philip J. Anderson, currently Assistant Civil Counsel, be elevated to the position of Chief Civil Counsel for Macomb County.

In response to question by Commissioner Myslakowski, Mr. McPeters said he is not prepared at this time to recommend an individual for the vacant position.

Board Chairman VerKuilen noted some Commissioners have been discussing the possibility of even having full-time legal counsel. Because of this he suggested the position of Chief Civil Counsel be left vacant until a determination can be made on the feasibility of two full-time attorneys or otherwise. At this time, we can elevate Mr. McPeters to the Directorship and hold in abeyance the other moves until further study is made. This study would encompass such aspects as budgetary implications and even the fact that Messrs. McPeters and Anderson are in separate offices (different buildings) which might cause a problem.

Commissioner Dane said he has no objections to studying this further in view of the Board Chairman's remarks and he would support same.

Commissioner McCarthy said he would have no objection to changing the motion he offered; Commissioner VanderPutten, the supporter of said motion agreed as follows:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE ELEVATION OF RAY W. MC PETERS, CURRENTLY CHIEF CIVIL COUNSEL, TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF CIVIL COUNSEL FOR MACOMB COUNTY; FURTHER, THAT PHILIP J. ANDERSON CONTINUE IN HIS PRESENT POSITION OF ASSISTANT CIVIL COUNSEL AT THIS TIME PENDING THE RESULTS OF A STUDY TO BE MADE OF THE COUNTY CIVIL COUNSEL ORGANIZATION.

Commissioner McCarthy indicated his intent also is that Messrs. McPeters and Anderson meet to bring back a recommendation for filling the third party vacancy.

Commissioner McHenry agreed with the motion because it gave Mr. McPeters more time to study the situation and make a recommendation for filling the vacancy.

Commissioner Plutter, in light of previous remarks, asked if there would be enough county work or too much county work for two (2) full-time attorneys to handle.

Mr. McPeters replied there is no question, the workload is definitely there in sufficient quantity for two full-time attorneys.

In response to the Chairman's request, Mr. Blomberg told committee legal counsel's work for the county is on a rapidly accelerating rate. Mr. Anderson currently has 16 cases pending, 8 are tax cases and the remaining 8 are a myriad of cases. He said it has been his impression in the last 3 or 4 years Civil Counsel's Office has been working virtually on the basis of 3 full-time attorneys although they are officially designated part time. In all due respect to Mr. McPeters, Mr. Blomberg said he would hate to see him (McPeters) locked into a structure with only one other attorney besides himself because he (Blomberg) didn't think just two could handle the workload.

Mr. Blomberg said he would like to see an orderly transition and would be happy to lend assistance as he could to allow same. He did point out in the very near future in the labor field alone, compulsory arbitration may be coming up in addition to other legal matters currently pending. Mr. Blomberg was of the opinion no less than

3 attorneys will be needed at this time and in the near future possibly 4. He noted that he has utilized Mr. Snapp at his own expense on county matters.

Mr. Blomberg reiterated his opinion that at least 3 attorneys are needed whether it be full time or part time. Since 1972 when Mr. Anderson was put on board there have been no increases in Civil Counsel's department while other departments have experienced increase. Mr. Blomberg said he hoped when he left on June 1, 1976, Mr. McPeters and Mr. Anderson aren't flooded to the point of not being able to fulfill the needs of the county.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said as he understands it, Mr. Blomberg feels the county needs more attorneys.

Mr. Blomberg replied eventually additional attorneys will be needed. Civil Counsel is a part time designation now, but increasing, they are spending 7 and 8 hours a day in this job. Over a period of 22 years he has accumulated 3 filing cabinets of opinions, etc. pursuant to county matters; any stranger coming in would have to start from scratch.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said he feels the Board will have to fill Mr. Blomberg's vacancy as soon as possible and maintain the current level of attorneys but could not see the need for a 4th attorney. He advised of being prepared to vote against any increase in personnel or salaries.

In response to Commissioner Myslakowski's question, Messrs. Blomberg, McPeters and Anderson stated their present designation is part time for the county.

Mr. Myslakowski said he could see a definite need for Mr. McPeters to take over as Director of Civil Counsel on a full time basis and maybe Mr. Anderson and one other attorney full time. He felt it very important to study this along with Mr. McPeters, who should inform us of his needs.

Commissioner Dane noted committee has already agreed to make a study of this and return with definite recommendations. This discussion is actually getting away from the motion on the floor.

Commissioner Myslakowski asked if the vacant position would be opened up or publicized to secure applicants. He was advised this was not the procedure in this case.

Commissioner Tomlinson recalled a similar situation he experienced while serving on the St. Clair Shores City Council. He pointed out the price the county would have to pay for the current high caliber of attorneys we now have would be a great amount of money full time. He doesn't know what the study committee will come up with but such a study is a good thing; you can pay \$50,000, \$100,000 even \$150,000 per year for a capable attorney, it all depends on what you want. He continued, the caliber of attorneys this county has has been superior; they know law, government structure and legislation and he has been pleased with their superior quality.

Board Chairman VerKuilen noted that's not the kind of attorney you can advertise for in the paper. Commissioner Tomlinson concurred.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by McCarthy, supported by VanderPutten, that a study committee be established to review the complete situation of the County's legal department and whether as a County, we have matured enough to justify a full time legal staff for the County of Macomb. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued as relates to the committee to conduct this study and appointments to same. Committee agreed a special study committee should be appointed by the Administrative Services Chairman, no less than 5 members but no more than 7. Commissioner Dane said he didn't think the membership had to be comprised of Administrative Services Committee members only, it could be other members of the Board. Commissioner Grove felt since this is to be a sub-committee of Administrative Services, membership should stay within the major committee.

Chairman Tarnowski said he would take all of these comments under advisement.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Grove, supported by VanderPutten, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 A.M. Motion carried.

Donald G. Tarnowski, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE - MAY 19, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendation made by this Committee. Commissioner VanderPutten requested the Committee report be changed to indicate his "no" vote on the recommendation concerning the Community Mental Health Services Director. Motion was made by Myslakowski, supported by VanderPutten, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted.

Commissioner Johnson requested a division on the motion and the recommendation on page 6 regarding the Director of Community Mental Health Services appointment be voted on separately.

Commissioner Johnson stated he is in agreement with all the rules and regulations of the Community Mental Health Services except for the proposed amendment that would provide for the Board of Commissioners to approve the Mental Health Services Director before the Mental

Health Board does. This would be bad procedure and would set a precedent in the way we treat this particular board. The Public Act governing the set-up of Mental Health Services is very explicit on this. All the other County boards and commissions appoint their own director. I am opposed to that part only...the amendment.

Commissioner Back questioned Counsel if there is a problem here as the amendment reads? Mr. McPeters answered there is no problem.

Commissioner Myslakowski informed the meeting that he is the maker of the Committee motion or recommendation in question and the wording as stated in the report is incorrect. He advised he had stated "...with prior review and recommendation of the Board of Commissioners...", so the Board of Commissioners could give some input when the appointment is made.

Motion was then made by Myslakowski, supported by R. Sabaugh, that the Committee recommendation be corrected to read "The County Community Mental Health Board shall, with prior review and recommendation of the Board of Commissioners, appoint a County Director of the County Community Mental Health Program...", and the recommendation, as corrected, then be adopted.

Commissioner Dane concurred with Commissioner Johnson in treating all fairly. He then asked the Commissioner (Johnson) if now, after the correction to the recommendation, he had any objections.

Commissioner Johnson responded that it is still putting something in against what the law or act actually permits. I respect Civil Counsel McPeters, Commissioner Johnson continued, but I believe he is wrong here. To reiterate, I am against prior approval, consent or anything that contradicts the State law.

Commissioner VanderPutten indicated that the Board of Commissioners appoint the membership of the Health Board and by taking a position that we have a say in the appointment of their director, we're tying their hands.

On voice vote on the motion, the motion carried with Commissioners Johnson, Trombley, Gavin, VanderPutten, Gavin and Dane voting "no".

On voice vote on the original motion to receive and file the report and adopt the remainder of the Committee recommendations, ayes all and the motion carried.

Committee report follows:

Report of the
Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE, held on Wednesday, May 19, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Johnson-Chairman, Myslakowski, Bedard, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk,
McCarthy, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, Underwood, VanderPutten and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Gavin, S. Sabaugh and Trombley who asked to be excused.

Also present:

Jewell Mathews, Health Department
Dr. Leland Brown, Director, Health Department
Norm Hill, Director, Community Mental Health
John Shore, County Controller
Ed Bonior, Director, Macomb Community Services
Phyllis Vicks, Personnel/Labor Relations
Commissioner Michael Walsh, Health Board Member

There being a quorum of the Committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:40 A.M.

LETTER FROM HEALTH DEPARTMENT REGARDING VISION & HEARING PROGRAM

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the Director of the Health Department advising that the Board of Health had made an affirmative recommendation to raise the fees charged the various school districts from \$25 to \$30 per day per technician for vision and hearing testing. This increase would be effective when school commences in September.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC CARTHY, SUPPORTED BY FRANCHUK, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO RAISE THE FEES CHARGED THE VARIOUS SCHOOL DISTRICTS FROM \$25 TO \$30 PER DAY PER TECHNICIAN FOR VISION AND HEARING TESTING AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

REPORT FROM DR. BROWN ON PROGRESS OF BLOOD PRESSURE PROGRAMS

Dr. Brown stated that they hired two CETA people to do the blood pressures. They do approximately 30 a day in the lunch centers. They have just about covered everyone on the one time around. They will be put on a rotation basis in the Health Offices and such other places as they may be needed. The totals on his report would indicate they had a peak number that came in with interest and then it leveled off, which would indicate it might not be a good idea to expend a great deal of effort at any one particular site.

Commissioner McCarthy said while the blood pressure checks are being given at the Health Centers and at the nutrition sites, he asked if any requests came in from senior citizen meeting centers. He named two or three meeting sites in his area and asked if they requested this service, could the Health Department have their people there?

Dr. Brown stated that these people were hired with the understanding that they could work evenings, if necessary.

Commissioner Myslakowski pointed out that there are several places in Center Line where senior citizens gather, who do not go to the luncheon sites, and he thought it would be a good idea if they requested the blood pressure service, that it be set up in those meeting places. There are also many senior citizens in nursing homes.

Dr. Brown said he didn't know about taking the blood pressure program into a health institution. They have within their own institution resources for that.

Commissioner Myslakowski said as of now, the Health Department does not offer the blood pressure service to anyone under 60. The problem isn't just with those over 60. Perhaps on an ongoing basis, some attempt should be made to offer the test to anyone in the County at the Health Centers.

Dr. Brown was of the opinion that they should let the program settle in for a while.

Commissioner DeGrendel asked if there were such sites in the northern end of the communities. He said he would request when some of the centers are put into operation that Dr. Brown let him know where they are so that the senior citizen groups could be so informed.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he has concern for the rest of the senior citizen groups, referring to the list as compiled by Mrs. Lewis. He thought these groups should be contacted to inform them that the blood pressure service is available. If they are interested, they should call the Health Department and make arrangements. Also, he inquired if the people who are getting this service are aware that the service is being provided by the Board of Commissioners.

Dr. Brown stated that the people do get a handout.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by R. Sabaugh, supported by Bedard, that the Board of Commissioners approve sending letters to the various senior citizen groups notifying them that the Macomb County Health Department has a free blood pressure program; and further, that the material passed out by the Health Department specify that the program is sponsored by the Macomb County Board of Commissioners. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION RE PROPOSED RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES RE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH

Chairman Johnson stated that the proposed Rules, Regulations and Procedures of the Community Mental Health had already been passed by the Board of Commissioners and that there was one point brought up for discussion and that was the amendment that was added that the Board of Commissioners would have to approve the appointment of a Director whenever a Director is reappointed. The State regulations state this will be done by the Community Mental Health Board. That agency is financed 90% by the State. All of the other boards in the county, including the Road Commission, the Library Board, the Health Board, those boards hire and are responsible for the administration of their areas. He said he thought this part should be reconsidered.

Commissioner McCarthy said he originally brought this up. He said he would go along with what the Board feels, but he is very concerned on this proposed Act. He said he has had phone calls from individuals relative to the programs that the State is planning on. He said he shows compassion to the individuals in the closing of agencies. People will be placed in homes and will not be accepted by society in their general area. It will make a program that will be unweilding. The time has come when we will have to take a very hard look at legislation that is being passed from the State relative to mental problems in the State. He said he is taking a personal interest in the type of legislation coming from Lansing on the programs they are trying to initiate in the State. Norm and the staff in his department have done an excellent job. He said if the Board of Commissioners can hang onto some string of power they will be better off. The State is cutting the funding for individuals from \$170 a month down to \$35 a month. The first thing they cut is the mental retardation program.

Chairman Johnson said he is one of the four Commissioners named to the Mental Health Board. The State required a 12 member board, and it has been made possible for four Commissioners to serve there. He said he would like to point out that the State is funding \$306,000,000 for the statewide budget. The funds that go into it are 90% state and 10% local. The only way to change that would be for 90% to be paid locally and the State pay 10%. Of all the State programs going on, Community Mental Health has really more control over what goes on than any other State agency. The fight is to keep the funds high and to keep the control at the local level.

Commissioner Underwood stated that he thinks the Director of Mental Health is doing a good job. If the County only pays 10%, that 10% should have some control by the County. Something should be written in whereby the County has some control. The State has full control and that is the reason he disagrees. Perhaps why he feels that way is that he feels strongly about home rule government.

Chairman Johnson said the Board of Commissioners has four people on that Board, and that is a lot of control.

Mr. Hill said he would like to add that not only does the Board of Commissioners have control, through the selection process of Board members, by the process procedure in preparing the budget, the staff has to recommend the programs to that Board and that Board approves the programs and level of funding. The budget then comes to the Board of Commissioners and it is approved by them before it goes to the State.

Chairman Johnson said the issue before committee is whether the Rules should be adopted with or without the amendment. The amendment says that the "County Community Mental Health Board shall (with prior approval of the Board of Commissioners) appoint a county director of the County Community Mental Health Program..." He said he thought that the Board should abide by the law and work within the system they have. He said he thought they should leave well enough alone.

Commissioner Myslakowski was of the opinion that this was just in addition to the Mental Health Board approving it and offered the following motion:

MOTION

A motion was made by Myslakowski, supported by R. Sabaugh, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the proposed Rules, Regulations and Procedures of Community Mental Health with the amendment - Rule 104 County Director - Appointment.

Discussion continued. Commissioner DeGrendel asked if MAC had taken a stand on this matter.

Chairman Johnson said the State law is explicit on this issue. He said this is published as an ordinance by State law.

Commissioner Walsh said he is not a member of this Committee, but in looking over the official resolution of the Board, the word "shall" is mandatory. Under Rule 104, reading the amendment, how can this committee change a mandatory law at this level.

Chairman Johnson said the State sets the guidelines, and from those guidelines we come up with our ordinance.

Mr. Hill said their feeling is you have selected them and under the law charged them with a responsibility and the authority to conduct programs in your name, holding them responsible for their action.

Commissioner Myslakowski said what this Committee is saying is we want you to come back to us. Legally, the ordinance says you shall make the appointment and we are saying in addition to that, you let us know what action you have taken.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said there are too many autonomous bodies. He likes the idea of the Board of Commissioners having some power. We are telling the Community Mental Health Board what to do.

Commissioner Walsh said we should try to adhere to the law as it is laid down. The way Commissioner Myslakowski is putting it, this Board will make the appointment. The County Community Health Board makes the appointment. He said he would suggest that it be added that the Community Mental Health Board appoint the Director which will take effect 30 days after the appointment. This Board can give their input into this. The way you are phrasing it, this law is wrong.

Commissioner Myslakowski said, in saying the County Board of Commissioners, means they will make the appointment and they should come to us for approval. If we don't approve of it, they could still make the appointment. Hopefully, we will agree on the appointment. Rapport should be there. They should have the courtesy to come to us with a recommendation for approval.

At this point the preceding motion was cancelled and the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MYSLAKOWSKI, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE PROPOSED RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND THAT RULE 104 - COUNTY DIRECTOR, APPOINTMENT SHALL BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"RULE 104. COUNTY DIRECTOR, APPOINTMENT:

THE COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD SHALL, WITH PRIOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, APPOINT A COUNTY DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM WHO SHALL, IN ADDITION TO PERFORMING HIS STATUTORY DUTIES, CARRY OUT THE GENERAL POLICY GUIDELINES AS PROMULGATED BY THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RANGE OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED TO COUNTY RESIDENTS".

MOTION CARRIED WITH CHAIRMAN JOHNSON VOTING NO.

LETTER FROM MACOMB COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING REGARDING VACANCY ON AREA AGENCY'S EXECUTIVE BOARD

Committee was in receipt of a letter from the Macomb County Council on Aging advising that they had selected Dr. Ralph Chenoweth to fill the vacancy on the Area Agency's Executive Board and were seeking approval for their selection.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY FRANCHUK, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOM-

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MENDATION OF THE MACOMB COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING IN THEIR SELECTION OF DR. RALPH CHENOWETH FOR THE VACANCY ON THE AREA AGENCY'S EXECUTIVE BOARD. MOTION CARRIED.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM HEALTH & MENTAL HEALTH
SUB-COMMITTEE

Commissioner Daner explained that her committee held a meeting and discussed two items. They discussed the hiring of one dentist for Project Dental Health to work one day a week, for the remainder of the year, to take care of patients who have already had their teeth pulled in preparation for dentures or partials. They also discussed the hiring of seven nurses by the Department of Health. She said she was asking that this Committee concur in the action taken by her committee, and the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SUB-COMMITTEE AND THAT A SUM OF \$3,300 BE ALLOCATED FOR THE HIRING OF ONE DENTIST FOR PROJECT DENTAL HEALTH TO WORK ONE DAY A WEEK, FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR, TO TAKE CARE OF PATIENTS WHO HAVE ALREADY HAD THEIR TEETH PULLED IN PREPARATION FOR DENTURES OR PARTIALS. WHEN THIS PHASE OF THE WORK IS COMPLETED, THAT PARTICULAR PROGRAM OF PROJECT DENTAL HEALTH WILL BE FINISHED. ALSO, PROJECT DENTAL HEALTH IS TO ESTABLISH MORE ACCOUNTABILITY WITH THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; FURTHER, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE HIRING OF SEVEN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 A.M.

Patrick Johnson, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - MAY 25, 1976

After the Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee, motion was made by McCarthy, supported by Bedard, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Finance Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

At a meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Tuesday, May 25, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk,
Grove, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh,
Tarnowski, Tomlinson, VanderPutten, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Underwood, Gavin, Hramiec, R. Sabaugh and Walsh, all of whom asked to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the Committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 A.M. by the Chairman.

The Chairman called a recess for a period of five minutes to review the bills and the Finance Sub-committee report. The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 9:35 A.M.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

Committee was in receipt of a recommendation by the Finance Sub-committee to approve the Board Chairman's per diems for the period May-22, 1976 as submitted by the Chairman.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO CONCUR IN THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVE THE BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS AS SUBMITTED FOR THE PERIOD MAY 10-22, 1976. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was previously mailed the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared by the Controller's Office. Chairman Back conducted a page by page review of the listing and specific questions on same will be detailed in the minutes (retained in the Board of Commissioners' Office only) of the meeting rather than this report. Following the review, action was recorded:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD

OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$708,975.40 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MAY 14, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$833,013.85 AND THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE SO APPROPRIATED, AND FURTHER APPROVE THE ADDENDUM TO THE BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,180.00 FOR THE ANNUAL PREMIUM FOR THE PROFESSIONAL MALPRACTICE INSURANCE. MOTION CARRIED.

CADASTRAL MAPPING SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Committee was in receipt of an excerpt of the Cadastral Mapping Sub-committee minutes for the meeting of April 28, 1976 wherein a recommendation was made that the county contract with Oakland Microfilm and Consultants in the filming of 500,000 parcel cards.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ZOCCOLA, SUPPORTED BY FRANCHUK, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CADASTRAL MAPPING SUB-COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONTRACT WITH OAKLAND MICROFILM AND CONSULTANTS FOR FILING OF 500,000 PARCEL CARDS VIA COMPUTER OUTPUT MICROFILM AT A COST OF \$1,076.84. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE - CONTROLLER'S OFFICE
EXPLANATION OF VOUCHER 5-302

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the Controller's Office dated May 11, 1976 wherein an explanation was given on Voucher 5-302 - contagious disease in the amount of \$20,035.48. It was noted this voucher was deferred on May 11 by the Finance Committee for additional information (see 5-26-76 meeting file for copy of correspondence).

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDDEL, TO RECEIVE AND FILE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHER 5-302 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,035.48. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Caruso, supported by Tarnowski, to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 A.M.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - MAY 25, 1976

Upon hearing the recommendation of this Committee, as read by the Clerk, motion was made by Caruso, supported by McCarthy, that the report be received, filed and the recommendation adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Personnel Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, held on Tuesday, May 25, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Franchuk-Chairman, Bedard, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Grove, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, VanderPutten, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Gavin, Hramiec, R. Sabaugh, Underwood and Walsh, all of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director, Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:10 A.M. by Chairman Franchuk.

VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT
BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Mr. Zacharzewski said in accordance with Board procedure, he requests reconfirmation of the following vacant or soon-to-be vacant budgeted personnel positions as listed in his correspondence under date of May 14, 1976:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
One Male Turnkey, position vacant May 15, 1976 (T. Nemeth transfer to Probation)	Macomb County Sheriff Department
One TC I/II, position vacant May 3, 1976 (S. Schumacher)	Macomb County Library
One Dietary Aide I, position vacant May 6, 1976 (C. Delauder)	Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility

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DEPARTMENT

Three Nurse Aide positions vacant
P. Caryton - May 4, 1976
Ruby Sanders - March 11, 1976
Anne Pelter - May 23, 1976

Martha T. Berry Medical
Care Facility

One TC I/II position to be vacant
June 1, 1976 (Mabel E. Vanasse)

Macomb County Health
Department

One RN Supervisor position to be
vacant July 1, 1976 (retirement
Mary Havelka)

Macomb County Health
Department

Mr. Zacharzewski stated he has checked the need for these positions and they are necessary to maintain the current level of service in the respective departments.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS CONTAINED IN CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR UNDER DATE OF MAY 14, 1976. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Bedard, supported by Caruso, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 A.M. Motion carried.

Commissioner Franchuk advised committee that an Executive Session will be held immediately following this meeting for the purpose of receiving a report on the progress of union negotiations.

Walter Franchuk, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

BUDGET COMMITTEE - MAY 26, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendation made by this Committee and motion was made by Plutter, supported by McHenry, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

Report of the
Budget Committee
To the Board of Commissioners

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the BUDGET COMMITTEE held on Wednesday, May 26, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building, in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Walsh-Chairman, Grove, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Gavin, Hramiec, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Plutter, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Trombley, VanderPutten, Zoccola and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Bedard, Franchuk, Myslakowski, R. Sabaugh and Underwood all of whom asked to be excused.

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at 9:10 A.M.

DISCUSSION OF 1976/77 MACOMB COUNTY
COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY BUDGET

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the 1976/77 Macomb County Community Services Agency Budget so that action may be taken thereon at the Full Board meeting immediately following this meeting.

Commissioner Caruso asked if this was standard procedure - that a budget would be reviewed by another committee other than the budget committee. He said he never knew this was done.

Chairman Walsh pointed out that if a particular department comes under the jurisdiction of a particular committee, that major committee can go over their budget.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE 1976/77 BUDGET FOR THE MACOMB COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 10:13 A.M.

Michael J. Walsh, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 1329 - COMMENDATION TO
CIVIL COUNSEL ALFRED A. BLOMBERG

The Clerk read the resolution commending Alfred A. Blomberg for his outstanding service, in excess of twenty-two years, as attorney for the County of Macomb. The resolution also recognized Mr. Blomberg's personal dedication and integrity while rendering the highest level of professional legal ability and service to the County.

Motion was made by Tomlinson, that this resolution honoring Alfred A. Blomberg be adopted and the record indicate the Board of Commissioners' appreciation to this fine gentleman who will be sorely missed. Motion supported by Caruso and carried unanimously with a standing ovation by the entire meeting.

Mr. Blomberg expressed deep appreciation at having served as legal counsel to the Board of Commissioners. He continued that his experience has indicated that Commissioners are very dedicated and conscientious people. With the recent occurrences, this Board of Commissioners has acted with the interest and benefit of the taxpayers of this County in mind.

It was Mr. Blomberg's observation that the Board take prompt action to increase or supplement whatever is necessary to furnish a legal counsel's office for the County of Macomb. He again thanked the Board for affording him the opportunity to serve them.

APPOINTMENT:

COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

The Board was in receipt of three (3) applications for appointment to the Macomb County Road Commission, namely, Keith Bovenschen, John J. Zoccola and Dominick Spano.

Matthew Wagner, Chesterfield Township Supervisor had requested appearance before the Board, on behalf of the Macomb County Supervisor's Association, to speak on this matter and was now allowed to do so.

Mr. Wagner advised his presence today was to speak on behalf of Keith Bovenschen, candidate for the Road Commission appointment. Mr. Wagner advised that he (Bovenschen) has already given his background and record of past performance for the 18 years he has served on the Road Commission to the Board for review. This is the first time, Mr. Wagner continued, that the Supervisor's Association has come before the Board of Commissioners. We are asking, why, after 18 years of service you are considering not re-appointing Mr. Bovenschen? We have not been given an answer. What is to be done for the benefit of the County? Mr. Bovenschen has fulfilled the requirements of his office and has worked with many of you. If he is not re-appointed the County of Macomb will be set back. Mr. Wagner outlined the notable commendations bestowed upon Mr. Bovenschen and the several State Road Commission affiliated offices held during his tenure. He also advised of personally serving under Mr. Bovenschen in Chesterfield Township. Mr. Bovenschen, Mr. Wagner continued, is always thinking of his job. He was recently criticized for his "no vote" which he explained to this Board. He has served you well and done the job for you.

Commissioner Franchuk stated that the citizens of the northern end of the county carry the same sentiments as expressed by Mr. Wagner.

Commissioner Walsh said that it annoys him that some people believe that because you live in a certain part of the county you must do something for that part or section. The implication in all my mail and telephone calls is that the Road Commission decisions will be predetermined by where the Commissioner lives. I only hope that whoever is appointed to the Road Commission will realize they are part of management and will function as such. All three Road Commissioners should keep this in mind.

Commissioner McHenry said this north and south thing irritates me. He believed a larger allocation for bridge construction in the County was given to the northern communities than the southern ones.

The Chair recognized Commissioner Grove who addressed the meeting as follows:

"Mr. Chairman, it is my pleasure to place the name of John J. Zoccola in nomination for appointment to the Macomb County Road Commission, commencing January 1, 1977, for a six year term, with the commensurate wages and fringe benefits to be identical to that of the present Road Commissioners. In placing his name in nomination, I feel it incumbent upon me to give a brief background on John Zoccola's long distinguished career in public service to this county and citizens thereof.

Mr. Zoccola was a member of the Macomb County Board of Supervisors beginning in 1959 through 1968 and then in 1969, when the first Board of Commissioners was elected, he was elected from his district, District #19. During his tenure as an elected County Commissioner, John Zoccola served three terms as Chairman of the Board. He is well respected by his fellow Commissioners and during his tenure as Board Chairman, established an open-door policy for fellow Commissioners and County department heads to discuss mutual problems, programs and suggestions and to gain meaningful advice.

In addition to his distinguished tenure as a County Commissioner, he has been a member of the Macomb County Drainage Board, whose primary responsibility it was to develop and supervise millions of dollars of major drainage programs and projects throughout the County. He is also presently vice-chairman of the Macomb County Mental Health Board and a past member of the Macomb County Retirement Commission. In addition Mr. Zoccola has been in the construction business for over 25 years and has thus acquired the knowledge and expertise which will prove invaluable as a County Road Commissioner.

It is my opinion that one of the most necessary qualities in a County Road Commissioner is a strong relationship and willingness to cooperate with the Board of Commissioners and I cannot think of a more qualified applicant than John J. Zoccola. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Commissioner Franchuk asked the Chair if nominations were necessary or the submitted applications sufficient?

Commissioner Dane believed that the applications, duly received as paper nominations, were enough.

Chairman VerKuilen advised they were and suggested the Board vote on the applications.

Commissioner Back moved, supported by Trombley, that nominations be closed and the Board vote on the applications as submitted. Ayes all, motion carried.

Prior to the vote, Commissioner Myslakowski stated that it is a tough decision to make. Mr. Bovenschen has done a very good job and so has Mr. Zoccola, but, he can only make on choice.

Commissioner Caruso advised that there are 3 names in contention, not 2. Let's get on with the roll call vote.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

VerKuilen - Zoccola; Myslakowski - Zoccola; R. Sabaugh - Bovenschen; S. Sabaugh - Bovenschen; Walsh - Zoccola; Dane - Zoccola; McCarthy - Zoccola; Gavin - Bovenschen; Caruso - Spano; Plutter - Zoccola; DeGrendel - Bovenschen; Franchuk - Bovenschen; Trombley - Bovenschen; Daner - Zoccola; Hramiec - Bovenschen; Bedard - Zoccola; Grove - Zoccola; Tarnowski - Zoccola; McHenry - Zoccola; Back - Zoccola; VanderPutten - Zoccola; Tomlinson - Zoccola; Johnson - Zoccola.

The votes cast were 15-Zoccola, 7-Bovenschen and 1-Spano. Mr. Zoccola was appointed.

Commissioner Caruso stated that it may not be proper at this time, but because this has been a tough campaign and decision and if only for unity of the Board, he moved that the Board of Commissioners make this an unanimous appointment. Motion supported by Walsh and carried.

A motion was made by Myslakowski that a resolution be prepared commending Mr. Bovenschen on his years of service with the County. Motion supported by Hramiec and carried unanimously.

MACOMB COUNTY EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM 1975 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board was in receipt of the 1975 Financial Report of the Macomb County Employees' Retirement System.

Motion was made by Dane, supported by McHenry, that this report be received and filed. Ayes all and motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman VerKuilen requested Civil Counsel explain the situation involving the County and the State Tax Commission.

Mr. McPeters advised the meeting that last Monday, Mr. VanderPutten, Mr. Schuette (Director of the County Equalization Department) and himself appeared on the County's behalf before the State Tax Commission on the County's equalization issue. Formal objections were made by Commissioner VanderPutten with the result being the assessed valuation was increased. Mr. McPeters indicated he preserved the right to appeal if this Board so chooses.

It was Mr. McPeters' belief that the Tax Commission did not review enough counties to make the right decision. They have adopted their preliminary figures but official word has not as yet been received by the Board.

The Board of Commissioners' believed the County's citizens are being discriminated against by the Tax Commission by their not allowing a proper review of the necessary paperwork.

Commissioner VanderPutten stated that Mr. Purnell of the State Tax Commission resigned and his vacancy has not been filled. The Commission has reduced the assessment of homes along the Lake St. Clair shoreline because of the recent high water damage, but until the State replaces Mr. Purnell, the Commission will continue to be adrift on a sea and floundering about. Many people believe the Preliminary Report put out on May 10 will become final on May 24. I see no movement by the State, Mr. VanderPutten continued, or relief from the State Tax Commission.

Commissioner Tomlinson believed the County's schools really have a problem and their status depends greatly upon the forthcoming decision by the State Tax Commission. In regard to Senator Bowman's Bill, Commissioner Tomlinson stated he would like to know what effect this would have and what avenues the Board of Commissioners is going to take.

Commissioner Franchuk asked Mr. McPeters if the Board is waiting for a decision in the Emmet County case prior to any formal action?

Civil Counsel answered, yes. The Tax Tribunal is holding this Board's action pending receipt of a Supreme Court rule on whether or not a County has the right to appeal. This particular case was filed last June or July and on December 3, 1975 oral arguments were held. Subsequently, the Bowman Bill was introduced. A decision was to be rendered no later than March 1, 1976 but we are still waiting.

Commissioner Franchuk then asked if there was anyway MAC or this County could push this...maybe by involving the Governor?

Mr. McPeters stated he would support this Board's action in notifying the Governor and urging quick action. The Supreme Court decision will help in many ways. This opinion is desperately needed now in this complex problem.

It was Commissioner R. Sabaugh's belief that this Board is being cut-up by the news media on this problem. 95% of the people of this County feel as we do on this. I know the schools need money, but given a choice, I'm on the side of the taxpayer. People on fixed incomes can't afford an increase.

Commissioner Johnson said the County schools are in a state of crisis. The Board of Commissioners has been very unfairly attacked by the Detroit Free Press. We've acted in good faith and so has the schools but a lot of the schools will have irreparable harm done. Only 20 counties have been studied by the State Tax Commission and this County is assessed right up to the hilt. Stop blaming this Board of Commissioners, get those (State Tax Commission) people off dead center.

Commissioner Hramiec concurred with Commissioner Johnson and hoped this could be resolved soon.

Commissioner Back said Mr. McPeters hit it squarely, that the Supreme Court has a decision to make. The Governor has a tremendous influence over that Court as he made the judicial appointments. Perhaps a telegram to the Supreme Court and a stronger one to the Governor to get this moved up on the docket is needed. I regret the schools' lawsuit was not adhered to because of some technicality. I think they should file another suit then. There is no question that the State Tax Commission has done the worst job of any State committee or commission. Mr. Back believed the Board should focus in on the Governor and Supreme Court for a decision.

Commissioner Bedard stated that he agreed with Commissioner Back wholeheartedly. Senior citizens would be very hard pressed and could not afford any type of tax increase. It would be unliveable for them.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh indicated in light of all this discussion, he remembers when Bobby Crim's assistant attended a committee meeting of this Board and stated that the State evaluation was too high. He had promises to remedy the situation but nothing has materialized. Hard working taxpayers and senior citizens should not be exploited by the State. This is our fight with the State Tax Commission and it was Commissioner Sabaugh's belief that Civil Counsel and the Board is proceeding correctly by fighting.

Commissioner McHenry agreed with Commissioner Back's comments and indicated he would like to see his suggestions as a motion.

Commissioner Back obliged and moved that the Board of Commissioners go on record and send a telegram to the Michigan Supreme Court spelling out distinctly the problem we find in the Macomb County schools because of the dispute over the State equalized property valuation and the County assessment of same; further, that a telegram to that same effect be forwarded to Governor Milliken requesting he use his influence on the Michigan Supreme Court to get this moved up on their docket. Motion supported by McHenry and carried.

Commissioner Dane read a section of an article which appeared in this morning's Detroit Free Press. "It appears to us that the County Commissioners would have been wiser to have taken the route of the other counties unhappy with the State equalized valuation schedules or methods; levy the tax while the appeals process goes on, with the hope that if they win, the taxpayers will get a rebate. That way the operating capital stays at a decent level." In reference to the quote, Commissioner Dane stated it would be naive for anyone to believe it. Reporters from that newspaper should come to our meetings and get good, accurate facts.

Commissioner Tomlinson referred to a letter written by Dr. Robert Lutz, Superintendent of the Intermediate School District, explaining the very situation this Board is now discussing. His account was accurate and very well written. It was Commissioner Tomlinson's suggestion that a copy of said letter be forwarded to the Governor too.

Commissioner Trombley stated that much has been said today and said well. Win or loose, let's get a decision.

Chairman VerKuilen spoke on the legality of the action taken by this Board and criticized by the Detroit Free Press. This Board has acted according to State statute in setting a tentative assessment. This is absolutely legal. Someone at the newspaper should get their information straight. Never has a reporter from the Detroit Free Press been here. We are being treated very unfairly by the news media. When half truths start showing up in a newspaper, it's aggravating.

Commissioner Johnson asked that Mr. Finlan or Dr. Lutz be allowed to speak on this same issue. Motion was then made by Johnson that the rules be suspended and Mr. Finlan or Dr. Lutz be allowed to speak now. Motion supported by Back and carried.

Mr. Bill Finlan, Assistant Superintendent for Legislation for the Intermediate School District addressed the Board. He indicated there was no question in his mind that the Board of Commissioners has been doing a good job and took the best political position on this issue, but one with the most risks. Mr. Finlan believed the Board thought the State would be fair, but, they were not.

Mr. Finlan continued, we, the Board and the schools, need a leader to take this into the ring. We didn't think there would be as many things done as was done. Only 8 days ago was a Justice assigned since December 3, 1975.

We are 9 months into this crisis and even the banks are getting worried about this. Mr. Finlan advised that he was talking about 11½ million dollars. If the banks say the money is not receivable, we are done.

Everyone I talk to says "sue the County Commissioners". We did not and it made sense. There isn't one leader in any State office who is carrying on the battle for this Board. They are not even looking at your case.

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Mr. Finlan stated he was sorry for the bus press, but we're desperate. We need the cash flow to stay afloat.

The Chairman advised the school aid formula they are using is the State equalized valuation (SEV) instead of County equalized which should have been according to law.

Mr. Finlan agreed and stated that the battle is with the State. They are using the schools as a club to beat the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Johnson said the State is afraid to meet with the Board. The Governor is trying to run an archaic tax system in a modern society.

Mr. Finlan advised that the Schools don't want to carry on a fight here, we would like you to provide a leader for us.

Commissioner Back asked Mr. Finlan if special appropriations for the County's schools, as in the City of Detroit, were to be used during the interim would help?

Mr. Finlan advised that several legislators introduced that same type Bills and were only laughed at.

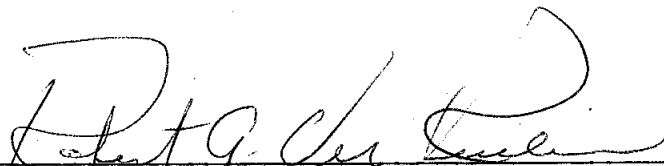
Commissioner Back then asked Mr. Finlan where the leadership he requested would come from?

Mr. Finlan replied that he didn't know, he'd been looking since August. If this had been any other county it probably would have been resolved by now.


Motion was made by Back, supported by McCarthy, that the Board Chairman and Commissioner Johnson meet with the school representatives, as soon as possible, to get their approval to enter into a lawsuit, on their behalf, regarding the equalized valuation property tax situation. Ayes all, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by VanderPutten, that the meeting adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. Motion supported by McCarthy and carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.



ROBERT A. VER KUILEN, Chairman



EDNA MILLER, Clerk

JUNE 23, 1976

A regular meeting of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, June 23, 1976 in the Commissioners' conference room on the second floor of the Macomb County Court Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan. Chairman Robert A. VerKuilen called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M. and the following members were present when the Clerk called the roll:

Robert A. VerKuilen	District 1
Raymond D. Myslakowski	District 2
Richard D. Sabaugh	District 4
Sam H. Sabaugh, Jr.	District 5
Michael J. Walsh	District 6
Stephen W. Dane	District 7
James E. McCarthy	District 8
Arthur J. Gavin	District 9
Ralph A. Caruso	District 10
Joseph P. Plutter	District 11
Raymond F. DeGrendel	District 12
Walter Franchuk	District 13
Raymond H. Trombley	District 14
Mary Louise Daner	District 15
John P. Bedard	District 17
Harold E. Grove	District 18
John J. Zoccola	District 19
Donald G. Tarnowski	District 20
Herbert P. McHenry	District 21
Willard D. Back	District 22
Hubert J. VanderPutten	District 23
Thomas L. Tomlinson	District 24
Patrick J. Johnson	District 25

Commissioner Underwood and Hramiec were excused. A quorum of the membership present, the meeting proceeded to transact business.

AGENDA

Motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by McCarthy, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

MINUTES--MAY 26, 1976

The minutes of the Board meeting held May 26, 1976 had been previously forwarded to each Commissioner and, there being no objections or corrections made thereto, motion was made by Plutter, supported by Tarnowski, that they be approved as presented. Ayes all and the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from George J. Bouhana, Operational Manager of Independent Postal Systems of America, requested appearance before the Board to discuss certain money saving services provided by his company. Motion was made by Walsh, supported by McHenry, that said correspondence be received and filed. Ayes all, motion carried.

The Chairman introduced Mr. Bouhana to the Board. Mr. Bouhana advised his presence today was to discuss the progress as well as the savings that could be realized by the taxpayers of the County if the Board considers and consents to use his company's services. Postal delivery is now available to, in excess of 100,000 homes throughout Macomb County with the only exception being to homes in the northern section of the County (i.e., Chesterfield, Macomb, Lenox and Richmond Townships and the cities of Richmond and Memphis).

Mr. Bouhana also advised his presence was to submit a bid to the Board, whether it be for a year, six months or three months from now, on the delivery of the Board of Commissioners' Annual Report at 6¢ per delivery. This would be a savings to the Board and taxpayers of the County.

Mr. Bouhana requested the Board give this serious thought and advised he would appreciate any consideration given his company on his proposal. He thanked the Board for allowing his appearance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - MAY 27, 1976

The Clerk read the several recommendations made by this Committee. Motion was made by Trombley, supported by Franchuk, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Motion carried. Commissioner Dane abstained from voting. Committee report follows:

REPORT OF THE
PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, held on May 27, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building, Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Trombley-Chairman, Gavin, Bedard, DeGrendel, Grove, Hramiec, McHenry, R.Sabaugh, Tomlinson, VanderPutten, Walsh and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Caruso and Underwood, both of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

John Shore, County Controller
Robert Maeder, Director, Facilities & Operations
Richard Guddeck, Purchasing Agent
Tom Welsh, Public Works Commissioner
Dick Dougherty, Office of Public Works Commissioner
Howard Snapp, Attorney
Al Blomberg, Civil Counsel
Ben Giampetroni, Director, Planning Commission
Mickey Meltzer, SEMTA
Bob Nyovich, Director, Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice
Robert Wakely, Wakely Kushner
Robert Coulon, Director, Friend of the Court
Bob McClure, Giffels Associates

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:37 A.M. by the Chairman.

HUNTINGTON LAKE LEVEL STUDY

Committee was previously mailed copies of the Public Works Commission's study on petition of homeowners to raise the lake level of Huntington Lake located in Shelby Township.

Mr. Dougherty indicated the report, as submitted, is self-explanatory. It relates to the petitioners' request to raise the level of Huntington Lake from its present elevation of 728.94 to 731.0.

Mr. Dougherty said the preliminary investigation and findings are as follows:

1. Huntington Lake is an artificial man-made lake and the adjoining properties are platted as Hunting Park Subdivision #3.
2. The designed normal lake level is 729.0. The high lake level established by the Department of Natural Resources and referred to as the 50 year flood plain limit is elevation 737.0. This elevation is recorded as a part of the plat and is titled "Flood Plain Contour".
3. The raising of the normal lake level from 729.0 to 731.0 would subsequently raise the 50 year frequency flood elevation from 727.0 to approximately 738.4.
4. A field survey of all the homes adjoining the lake was made to determine the elevation of critical items such as house grade, low entry and/or walkout elevations, and basement floor elevations. This information is tabulated in the attached exhibit. (see committee report in 6-23-76 meeting file)

In summary, the results show that there are four homes with low entrances or walkouts which are at, or below, elevation 738.4. There are twelve houses with basement elevations at, or below, 738.4. A comparison was made between the elevations found in our survey and the elevations shown on the grading plan at the time the subdivision was approved. This comparison reveals that there are several homes constructed with walkouts which were not shown on the approved grading plan and that there is one with a walkout elevation of 3.8 feet lower than shown on the approved grading plan.

It is our conclusion that there is sufficient evidence to warrant a more detailed investigation before a decision can be made as to the expediency for the raising of Huntington Lake to elevation 731. Such an investigation should be made by a consulting firm with expertise in hydrology and of Act 146, Public Acts of 1961, as amended, known as "The Inland Lake Level Act."

Chairman Trombley advised committee there is a representative present from the homeowners of this area, Mr. George Grudick, who requested a few minutes to present the homeowners' case.

MOTION

A motion was made by Grove, supported by R. Sabaugh, to suspend the rules and allow Mr. Grudick to make his presentation to committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Grudick said he represents the Huntington Lake Homeowners Association and reviewed for committee the efforts of the Association for the past three (3) years in an attempt to get the lake level raised. Their request was first taken to the Shelby Township Supervisor, who brought in Mr. John Lehner, Township Engineer. Mr. Lehner reviewed the situation and submitted a report (copy was provided to committee). Soon after that it was determined that the Township didn't have jurisdiction over this request.

Mr. Grudick explained when the subdivision residents first moved in there was about ten feet of beach. The lake was higher than normal at that time because the construction going on filled the drains with sand. When construction was completed and the pipes cleared, it was like someone pulled the plug and the lake level fell.

When it was determined this was not the responsibility of the Township, the homeowners went to the D.N.R. They said there were four homes with walkouts below the requested level, but we could put in an adjustable weir. They also advised it wasn't

their responsibility and directed us to go to the County, Mr. Grudick said, and this was done.

Mr. Grudick noted the Public Works' study recommends further investigation by a consulting engineering firm. If a new firm is brought in at this point, it will probably take another year and cost the homeowners extra; therefore, in order to save the homeowners some time and probably some money, Mr. Grudick asked that the engineering firm be Lehner Associates, since they are familiar with the area.

In response to Public Works Commissioner Welsh's question, Mr. Grudick replied the homeowners of Huntington Lake are prepared to pay the cost involved and understand that the cost would appear as a special tax assessment; 85% of the homeowners are in agreement.

Mr. Welsh said the things the homeowners want can be done, but he suggested that we have Civil Counsel rule on the validity of the homeowners' petition as they drafted it. Perhaps something with different language would be needed for circulation. At that point, the County can follow its engineers advice, take bids, and send the homeowners the bill.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, THAT A PROPER FORMAL PETITION BE DRAFTED AND SIGNATURES OBTAINED WITH SAID PETITIONS BEING BROUGHT TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OFFICE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, UPON RECEIPT OF PETITIONS, TO PROCEED WITH NECESSARY STEPS TO ACCOMPLISH THE PETITIONERS' REQUEST.

Commissioner VanderPutten said if the Board approves this and it doesn't work, can we be sure of not getting involved in a law suit.

Mr. Welsh said if a law suit is filed, it stops in his office.

Mr. Grudick noted with regard to concern for basements being flooded, when the land was originally sold by the builder, those four homes were not to have walk-out basements when the lake was initially designed. In order to protect those homes, however, instead of putting a fixed weir in, the homeowners are willing to spend more money and put in an adjustable weir.

Mr. Blomberg pointed out a portion of the entire proceedings includes a court cast that has to be tried in order to get the lake level raised. He felt the County is safeguarded.

Mr. Welsh said he felt it wise to run a preliminary estimate of cost so this, too, could be presented to the homeowners with the formal petition that's going to be passed around.

Commissioner Gavin referred to the Public Works study and their determination that additional detailed investigation was needed before a decision could be reached. He asked who would pay for this detailed investigation.

Mr. Welsh said that cost would be passed on to the special assessment district.

Mr. Grudick stated the homeowners are willing to pay for this but suggested Lehner Associates be the firm brought in because they are already familiar with the area, so possibly some time and cost can be saved.

In response to Commissioner R. Sabaugh, Mr. Welsh said he has no timetable for the project since this is actually the first time we have conducted such proceedings in Macomb County. He further suggested a letter of explanation as well as cost estimates be circulated with the formal petitions so that the homeowners know what is involved from the start.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

REPORT - CIVIL COUNSEL AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT
REGARDING RAMIFICATIONS OF WITHDRAWAL FROM SEMTA

Mr. Blomberg said in accordance with direction from the Board, the Planning Department and he spent many hours on the subject of County withdrawal from SEMTA in two (2) regards: (1) to confirm procedure in the event the County wanted to withdraw from SEMTA and (2) the feasibility of establishing a public transportation system for the County of Macomb.

Mr. Blomberg referred to a prepared memorandum previously mailed to committee. He asked that committee follow same as he briefly reviewed the contents.

Director of Civil Counsel pointed out if the County considered withdrawal and did so, they are considered an eligible agency under the act for the purpose of utilizing monies from the General Transportation fund (½ cent per gallon of the tax on gasoline and liquified petroleum gas) and to receive grants for public transportation from said fund. Also to be considered is once you become eligible, what does it entail, including obligations, responsibilities, costs and obstacles that may be confronted.

Mr. Blomberg noted establishment by the County, or any other eligible unit, has to be in an area not already covered by a transportation authority. Southeast Michigan (seven county area) is covered by SEMTA and SEMTA is authorized to be the transportation authority by law. He emphasized the fact that under existing law, a transportation authority is authorized to operate transportation facilities for a distance of ten miles beyond the boundary limits of the authority if there is no similar authority established or operating public transportation facilities within such ten miles extra territorial distance.

Mr. Blomberg remarked if Macomb withdrew, SEMTA still has authority to operate within ten miles of each of Macomb County's borders because we are surrounded by counties in

the organization. If we were to move ten miles in from each of our boundaries, the area would overlap.

Further, Mr. Blomberg said, the County has to show the State Highway Department that it is able and by statute authorized to establish a public transportation system. He said it appears it is not possible to establish a public transportation system and operate it solely on the $\frac{1}{2}\%$ allocation. It would entail additional cost, and the County is authorized under law with bonding authority for a public improvement including "transportation facilities owned by the County".

Mr. Blomberg also informed committee that, should the County formulate its own transportation program, said program must be reviewed by the regional planning agency (SEMCOG) and approved by the department.

Director of Civil Counsel then reviewed the list of public transportation services provided by SEMTA in Macomb County as follows:

- A. Bus Service - SEMTA currently provides bus service along several routes in Macomb County, mainly in the southern and eastern portions of the County. According to SEMTA, over 4,100 persons daily utilize this bus service in the County. Senior citizens and handicapped persons ride the buses at half-fare during non-peak hours. To support this operation, a \$1.7 million SEMTA bus terminal has been developed in Clinton Township, employing nearly 150 persons.
- B. Dial-A-Ride - The City of Mt. Clemens has been operating a Dial-A-Ride program since April, 1975. The first year of operation was funded by SEMTA through a 100% demonstration grant, under Act 235, P.A. 1974, the Small Vehicle Operating Assistance Program. After the first year, responsibility for the program rests with Mt. Clemens hopefully with some assistance from SEMTA. Between 350 and 400 persons daily use the program, with senior citizens riding for half-fare or 25 cents.
- C. Macomb Essential Transportation Service (METS) - METS is a non-profit corporation providing transportation primarily to the handicapped throughout Macomb County. It is funded by SEMTA under the same legislation as Dial-A-Ride with funds originating from the State of Michigan. According to METS, about 150 persons utilize its services daily.
- D. Park and Ride - SEMTA currently provides Park and Ride Express service from Utica to the General Motors Technical Center in Warren and from Roseville and Harper Woods to the Ford Complex in Dearborn.
- E. Charter Service - SEMTA buses are currently available for group charter in Macomb County for trips anywhere within the Southeast Michigan region.

In summary, Mr. Blomberg said, it appears the County may withdraw from SEMTA and is an eligible government agency to establish a public transportation system and receive public funds therefore subject to: (1) the County cannot be a member of a transportation plan that is permitted under state statute, complies with the General Transportation Fund (G.T.F.) Administrative Rules, complies with the guidelines of the Bureau of Urban and Public Transportation, is approved by the Department of State Highways, complies with review of the regional planning agency (SEMCOG), and does not encompass an area already served by a transportation authority; (2) in order to qualify the County must actually provide public transportation and meet cost requirement as outlined in G.T.F. Administrative Rules; (3) population and vehicle miles of service determine amount of share of payments and a formula would have to be developed to determine the split between SEMTA and Macomb County.

Mr. Blomberg then reviewed the pitfalls Macomb County may face in establishing a public transportation system separate and distinct from SEMTA as follows:

- A. The Urban Mass Transportation Administration does not look kindly upon proliferation of transit agencies within metropolitan areas and would lean toward the continuation of an existing transportation authority (SEMTA) in preference to the creation of an "island" surrounded by such authority.
- B. The establishment of the county system requires the approval of the federal government, the State Highway Department and the regional planning commission and is contrary to the accepted concept of a regional transportation system promoted by the above.
- C. The financial risk and additional cost to the County of Macomb to establish a public transportation system must be considered as well as the question as to whether the County of Macomb is in a position to assure residents of the County that it will provide equal services to that provided by SEMTA presently and in the future.
- D. A further question arises as to the area in the County that may be approved for servicing in the light of the services currently provided by SEMTA and its authority as set forth.

Mr. Blomberg concluded, stating these matters are a summarization of a great deal of time spent by the Planning Director, his staff and himself (Mr. Blomberg), which they consider vital to the Board of Commissioners' decision on whether to withdraw.

Mr. Giampetroni emphasized the finding that SEMTA is empowered to operate ten miles beyond their boundary limit. Therefore, in effect, there is no spot in Macomb County where SEMTA could not operate and continue their functions.

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Commissioner McHenry was of the opinion the study presented is certainly an in-depth review and offered the following motion:

A motion was made by McHenry, supported by Grove, that committee receive and file the report prepared submitted by the Director of Civil Counsel and the Planning Department and recommend to the Board of Commissioners that we do not withdraw from SEMTA at this time.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh voiced his surprise at the motion made because the subject matter was brought up by the Board of Commissioners due to concern about a tri-county tax that is being proposed. We were going to use withdrawal as leverage, and now that's shot. He referred to Senate Bill 1375 (the next agenda item for discussion) and the fact that it is out of committee and could be passed. Commissioner R. Sabaugh was of the opinion if the County withdraws, there is no way SEMTA would continue servicing Macomb because we would be cutting into the funds they are currently getting. He noted that SEMTA in 1974 took a loss and in 1975 also operated at a loss of \$427,000. Further, Detroit gets 52% of the total SEMTA expenditure even though they have only 38% of the area population. Macomb County has 17% of the SEMTA area population, and money-wise we should get services comparable to \$2½ million but we only get \$700,000. He pointed out the SEMTA lines in Macomb County now run through our County on the way to Detroit, but they don't help our people get around within the County. Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he has a letter from the Department of Transportation that says we could get as much as \$1 million. Commissioner R. Sabaugh felt the County could operate a system much more efficiently and have buses running more frequently. SEMTA is wasting money; they know it and we know it.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh felt Macomb should devise its own system and tie it into the systems of other surrounding counties. He told committee, if not this year, next year and for coming years Macomb will be taxed, and we won't be getting our money's worth. He said if this motion passes the County will have completely lost all the leverage we thought we had. Commissioner R. Sabaugh advised of his vote against it.

Commissioner Tomlinson said he concurred in part with Commissioner R. Sabaugh and that he felt the motion was premature. We do not have to jump into a decision at this time. As it stands, he advised of voting against the motion but would prefer the maker withdraw it. He attested to the fact that the Jefferson and Harper bus lines are being used regularly and frequently by people working downtown. The only trouble is it's necessary to transfer when you get to the Fisher Building; if you transfer to a bus going downtown, there is no additional charge, but if you want to get to the New Center area, you are required to pay another fee. The current service is just not good enough.

Commissioner Tomlinson told committee about a retiree who supplements her income by doing light garden work around the County. It's not unusual to see her hitchhiking, because there is no public transportation available to get to her job. He said there are people in Macomb County who need public transportation; not everyone is fortunate enough to own a car. He also felt there are a lot of people who can't get to a place of employment without public transportation and, therefore, don't have jobs.

Commissioner McHenry, as maker of the motion, said he wished to leave it as it stands.

Board Chairman VerKuilen said it was our original intent to put SEMTA and the State on notice if this County is taken for a ride through legislation; we are not going to pay any cost. He felt this County should still maintain its fight for equal representation and also maintain our stand that we won't stand still for a tri-county tax. That tax should be spread at least over the seven-county area and more preferably state-wide. Board Chairman VerKuilen said he hoped we maintained our positions and efforts to insure our people don't pay over and above what's fair. Possibly we should receive and file and put SEMTA and the State on notice that if we get unfair treatment by the Legislature, we will pull out.

Commissioner Grove said he can't speak for SEMTA, but he was of the opinion they are even opposed to a tri-county tax structure.

Mr. Meltzer advised committee the SEMTA Board has not taken a position on the funding aspect; that has been left up to the Legislature.

Commissioner Gavin stated the reason we have gotten to this point is back in February, Senator Bowman appeared before the Full Board, and committee's instructions were to study and make a recommendation to the Full Board. This he read from the minutes. The second request was to review Senate Bill 1375, which is the next agenda item. Commissioner Gavin said from what the presentation pointed out, if Macomb considers withdrawal at this time, we would endanger services which now exist in our County for thousands of people, mainly senior citizens and young adults who don't own or drive cars, as well as people being helped by METS, who are the handicapped. SEMTA is committed to giving them 75% subsidy from here on; normally we would have to pick this up after the second year. He could not see this Board cutting off such an essential service. Also, Commissioner Gavin said he could not see us setting up another bureaucracy when we have no one with expertise to run it and not without subsidy. He pointed out in April, 1976, SEMTA increased their services, and in June, they will increase the services again. SEMTA gets money from the Federal Government; and he was of the opinion it's logical to believe the Federal Government would be opposed to our own little system and quite possibly wouldn't even fund it. Commissioner Gavin said he couldn't see any honest economical reason in trying to set up a new department in this County when we already face economical problems. Our own Planning Commission finds people are going across county lines, and from point to point within our County is not going to satisfy their needs.

Commissioner Gavin felt the committee's charge from the Full Board is to make a recommendation back to them. Our recommendation is not a final answer; it's just that at this time. He advised of endorsing Commissioner McHenry's position. If S.B. 1375 does pass or something drastic happens, this Board can change its position.

Commissioner VanderPutten said it is not only our position on S.B. 1375, because on Tuesday WWJ had an editorial comment and they felt a special tax should definitely be spread at the very minimum across the seven-county area and preferably state-wide and not tri-county.

Commissioner McHenry agreed with previously stated comments that the Board is looking for a recommendation from committee.

Board Chairman VerKuilen said there has been no positive motion made, so a motion to withdraw isn't necessary. Possibly we should receive and file and continue to survey what is happening in Lansing.

Lengthy discussion ensued, and the motion was re-read. With consent by the maker and supporter, the motion was slightly revised to read as follows:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MC HENRY, SUPPORTED BY TOMLINSON, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT AS PREPARED AND SUBMITTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL COUNSEL AND THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MAINTAIN ITS CURRENT STRATEGIC POSITION WITH REFERENCE TO SEMTA PENDING FURTHER LEGISLATION OUT OF LANSING; ALSO, THAT A COPY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED REPORT BE PROVIDED ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

Commissioner Gavin said our fight is not with SEMTA; they are operating bus services primarily for the suburbanites, not for the people of Detroit. This Board's attention should be directed to the State Legislators, who might do the wrong thing. If we can get decent legislation out of the Governor and State Legislature, we will remedy our problem.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he will vote for the motion as long as it leaves the door open as he is opposed to staying in SEMTA.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SENATE BILL 1375

Distributed to committee was a memorandum highlighting Substitute Senate Bill 1375 (see committee report, 6-23-76 meeting file)

Mr. Giampetroni noted the status and review of S.B. 1375 was conducted by Messrs. Blomberg and Nyovich and the Planning Department. At this point in time, S.B. 1375 no longer exists; it is now known as Substitute Senate Bill 1375. Mr. Giampetroni reviewed the major amendments proposed in the Substitute Bill as follows:

Section 2 - Defines public transportation, public transportation service and public transportation purpose. These are declared to be highway purposes for financing out of gas tax revenues.

Section 5A - If SEMTA acquires the Detroit Department of Transportation (D-DOT), SEMTA must also assume the Pension Fund Liabilities of D-DOT. In addition, SEMTA would also have to retain the employees of D-DOT.

Section 10 - Effective July 1, 1977, the terms of office of the SEMTA Board shall expire. A new governing board shall be formed consisting of fifteen members instead of the current nine member board.

Mr. Giampetroni then referred to the formula proposed for increasing membership on the SEMTA Board from the current nine to fifteen members. Mr. Giampetroni also pointed out it appears the Substitute Bill is the first attempt to put the \$35 per diem figure for the SEMTA Board up front.

Mr. Giampetroni then read Section 16A contained within the Substitute Bill as follows:

Section 16A - An authority with a member county having a population of 600,000 persons or more shall create a transportation district within its boundaries. The district shall include all counties within the Authority with 600,000 persons or more. Those counties in the Authority with less than 600,000 persons may join the district upon a majority vote of its County Board of Commissioners.

Those counties within the district will have imposed a tax of \$2.50 per each \$500.00 of valuation on the sale or transfer of property. This tax is nearly five times the current transfer tax and will be applicable to the counties of Macomb, Oakland and Wayne.

Mr. Giampetroni, Mr. Blomberg and Mr. Nyovich set forth observations in their report to the extent that the Macomb County Board of Commissioners, in formulating their position with regard to Substitute S.B. 1375, should pay particular attention to the following:

- 1) Method of financing
- 2) Method of appointments to the SEMTA Board
- 3) Proposed SEMTA acquisition of the D-DOT pension fund and employees

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY DE GREDEL, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OPPOSE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1375 AS WRITTEN.

Commissioner McHenry noted they want to take care of that pension plan to the tune of \$9.1 million a year for ten years. If we really take a good look at this thing, it will become evident that Detroit has bested little interest in the transportation system; the Federal Government bought most of the buses and we have been paying for it indirectly. Now Detroit wants someone to buy the system back from them, because they think it's their line.

Mr. Giampetroni remarked if the City of Detroit gets five votes on the SEMTA Board because it has the transportation system and SEMTA comes along and acquires that system, what happens to those five votes?

Commissioner Tomlinson stated all three of the observations noted by the technicians have been opposed openly by this Board of Commissioners. It's useless to debate it; we are already on record.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked for a report on the status of that pension fund. He felt that is what broke DOT and that they are approximately \$81 million in debt.

Commissioner Gavin recalled S.B. 931 and the opportunity we had then to get amendments in that we wanted but they didn't change it one bit; it just faded out. New things have been added to this which makes it even worse with this pension fund thing. He indicated the last he heard, according to the Detroit Free Press, there were 22 votes in the Senate to pass this bill. Commissioner Gavin suspected, because SEMTA doesn't want to pick up that pension debt, they will probably lose some votes on it.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CONSTRUCTION REQUEST - FRIEND OF THE COURT

Mr. Coulon referred to material previously mailed committee in which he advised of the Board of Commissioners' approval of the Cooperative Reimbursement Program for the fiscal year 1976-77 and written confirmation from Lansing allowing the hiring of four additional employees in said program. Mr. Coulon said at this time it would appear that he is in a position to hire another Judicial Service Officer to serve within the program on or about June 1, 1976. It is absolutely necessary that all of the Judicial Service Officers within his office have available a private office as those subjects dealt with involving the general public are in many cases very private and confidential and cannot be aired publicly.

For this reason, he requested committee's consideration and approval for construction of a private office and storage room (for Cooperative Reimbursement Program supplies) within the current space allocation of the Office of Friend of the Court.

At the Full Board's direction, Mr. Coulon said he contacted Mr. Baily, Chairman of the Central Registry Office in Lansing and was informed that Federal regulations prevent program funds being used for construction and major renovations. Since this request is simply for one small office and one small storage area and cannot be considered major renovations, Mr. Baily said he would do everything in his power to pick up the cost.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOMLINSON, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF ONE PRIVATE OFFICE AND STORAGE AREA WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE FRIEND OF THE COURT AND THAT MR. COULON PURSUE THE POSSIBILITY OF THE STATE PICKING UP THE COST FOR SAME.

It was noted the cost is estimated at \$2,735 for material, with actual work to be done in-house.

Having questioned Commissioner DeGrendel, Chairman of the Building and Grounds Subcommittee, Commissioner VanderPutten pointed out neither sub-committee nor the sub-committee Chairman was even aware of this request. This committee doesn't even have a sketch of the area of what will be done. He offered the following motion:

MOTION

A motion was made by Vander Putten, supported by R. Sabaugh, to refer this request to the Building & Grounds Sub-committee for study and recommendation.

In response to questions, Mr. Coulon reiterated as of June 1st, he may hire another Judicial Service Officer. Mr. Maeder has informed him that it would take six to eight weeks from the date of Board approval to get this work done. The new officer cannot effectively operate without an office to work from. Mr. Coulon said he is very confident this minor alteration won't cost the County anything, and it's actually just creating an area within his current space; no additional floor space is being requested.

Commissioner DeGrendel, in light of Mr. Coulon's remarks, asked that the maker of the referral motion withdraw said motion. He advised of his concurrence in the request as presented.

Commissioner VanderPutten and Commissioner R. Sabaugh, maker and supporter of the referral motion, withdrew said motion. Commissioner VanderPutten said the next time something like this comes up, he would like to see a sketch of what is going to be done.

A vote was called on the original motion to approve. THE MOTION CARRIED.

LAW ENFORCEMENT/REQUEST TO ACQUIRE EQUIPMENT

In addition to correspondence previously mailed to committee, Mr. Nyovich was in attendance to request purchase of ten VHF portable and ten VHF mobile radios from Clinton Township. These are available due to the Township Police Department switching from VHF to UHF frequency. The radios are fairly new and can be used by all County departments (i.e., Health Department, Road Commission, Facilities & Operations, etc.)

by merely switching a crystal and making minor adjustments. Mr. Nyovich explained the costs of new radios, be they portable or mobile, are running over \$1,200 now, with the escalated costs which have occurred in the radio industry. The County could purchase either mobiles or portables from Clinton Township at \$425 apiece. Mr. Nyovich requested that this committee consider the purchase of ten portables and ten mobiles, at a total cost of \$8,500, which could be utilized by county services now and in the future.

Mr. Nyovich said several departments have been requesting additional radios for some time, and the cost of new radios has been prohibitive. In addition, there are some radios in service that have become outdated and could be replaced. With the acquisition of these radios, we would have sufficient numbers for both now and in the future at a significantly reduced price.

In response to question, Mr. Nyovich stated any and all minor adjustments needed on the radios can be done in-house.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY VANDER PUTTEN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE LAW ENFORCEMENT EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE TEN VHF PORTABLE AND TEN VHF MOBILE RADIOS FROM CLINTON TOWNSHIP AT A TOTAL COST OF \$8,500.00. MOTION CARRIED.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION /VEHICLE PURCHASE - HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Committee was in receipt of correspondence as forwarded by the Health, Education, Environment & Welfare Committee along with said committee's recommendation to approve a request of the Health Department to purchase a replacement sedan for the Health Department.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF ONE REPLACEMENT AUTOMOBILE FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND DIRECT THAT BIDS BE TAKEN ON SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

BIDS/ANIMAL SHELTER - TWO (2) TRUCKS

At a meeting of this committee on April 22, 1976, permission was given the Controller's Office to go out for bids for one (1) half ton pickup and one (1) half ton cab chassis with two vehicles to be traded.

Fourteen invitations to bid were sent out and three responses were received.

The bids received are as follows:

Bernie Hout Chevrolet	\$5,255.06
Russ Milne Ford	6,145.45
Buff Wahlen Chevrolet	NO BID

Permission was requested from committee at this time to award the bid to the low bidder, Bernie Hout Chevrolet, in the amount of \$5,255.06. Funds would be available from the furniture and equipment appropriation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE HALF-TON PICKUP AND ONE HALF-TON CAB CHASSIS FOR THE ANIMAL SHELTER FROM THE LOW BIDDER, BERNIE HOUT CHEVROLET, FOR THE BID AMOUNT OF \$5,255.06. MOTION CARRIED.

CHANGE ORDER #106/ELECTRICAL - REHABILITATION CENTER

Committee was previously mailed the bulletin outlining necessary alterations in electrical systems at the Rehabilitation Center.

Mr. McClure informed committee the Change Order is for \$7,385.31 to cover miscellaneous electrical items to agree with various items that have been purchased. In some cases, it is to provide control wiring for the heaters.

Mr. McClure continued with a review of items listed (attached to committee report, see 6-23-76 meeting file).

In response to question, Mr. Maeder stated he did check this out.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY TOMLINSON, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #106 - PALMER SMITH CO./ELECTRICAL, REHABILITATION CENTER, AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,385.31.

In response to Commissioner R.Sabaugh, Mr. McClure said he went back and checked the four lowest bidders on electrical for this project and this Change Order does not alter the low bidder standing.

A vote was called on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

INVOICES

Committee was in receipt of numerous invoices for contract work performed on various projects. Mr. Maeder advised of reviewing each and approving them as submitted.

The following action was recorded:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY TOMLINSON, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO E. F. HAUSERMAN CO. FOR WORK PERFORMED ON INSTALLATION OF PARTITIONS IN THE COUNTY BUILDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,036.10. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY R. SABAUGH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO ANDERSON, ECKSTEIN & WESTRICK FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,375. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOMLINSON, SUPPORTED BY R. SABAUGH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO ELLIS/NAEYAERT ASSOCIATES FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PROBATE COURT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$705.50. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY TOMLINSON, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO WAKELY KUSHNER FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,512.32. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY R. SABAUGH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO CARL WALKER & ASSOCIATES FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE ELECTRICAL SURVEY, SERVICE CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,943. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY HRAMIEC, SUPPORTED BY R. SABAUGH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO PALMER SMITH COMPANY FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE REHABILITATION CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$281,089.16. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOMLINSON, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO PASTERNAK & FUGA, INC. FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE INTERMEDIATE FLOORS AT THE COUNTY BUILDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,500. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE INVOICE PAYMENT TO HICKSON-COSTIGAN FOR WORK PERFORMED ON THE PROBATE BUILDING PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$148,548.20. MOTION CARRIED.

WAKELY KUSHNER - PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY

Mr. Shore explained Wakely Kushner is presently requesting final approval in order to go out for bids for the Public Service Facility Project at the Service Center. The specifications are just about complete. These specifications are now being reviewed by his department and Civil Counsel. Mr. Shore didn't believe there will be very many changes to the specifications at all. The price estimate of the project, before certain alterations would be included, falls within the original budget. There are some items they would like to take bids on that do fall in the sphere of alternates such as parking.

Controller Shore stated at this time the County has concurrence of agencies that are involved in leasing; they have concurred with the site and their locations within the building, although no formal agreements have been signed. They have also agreed with the prices.

Mr. Robert Wakely referred to six sets of working drawings available for committee's review.

In response to Commissioner Hramiec's questions, Mr. Wakely said the concept of the building is the same as was presented to committee some time ago.

Commissioner Hramiec indicated his support of the design concept when it was first presented because of the ability to expand.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY HRAMIEC, TO REAFFIRM PREVIOUS APPROVAL OF THE DESIGN BY WAKELY KUSHNER FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY - SERVICE CENTER, AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE BIDS BE TAKEN FOR THIS PROJECT. MOTION CARRIED.

In response to question, Mr. Wakely said he hopes to have all the specifications out in order to receive bids some time in mid-July.

Controller Shore noted they are trying to set the timing of bids around Congressional action on the Public Works Bill now going through Congress again. Hopefully, if approved, this project might be financed through that if we can get approval. We will go out for bids right now while the market is good, but we might have to extend the time for accepting bids after they have been opened.

BOAT HOUSE - BIDS

Committee was in receipt of correspondence from the County Controller advising that bids were taken for the new Boat House Facility for the Macomb County Sheriff Department. This new facility is to be located on the D.N.R. property located at the foot of South River Road, Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

The two bids that were received are as follows:

Progressive Design & Build Ltd., Inc.	\$157,800.00
P & M Marine	\$189,713.00

Controller Shore pointed out that both bids are in excess of the estimated cost. Therefore, they would like to reject these bids, re-design to bring the cost down, and go out for new bids.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED ON THE BOAT HOUSE FACILITY, RE-DESIGN THE FACILITY FOR MORE ECONOMY, AND RE-BID THE PROJECT. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Trombley declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:50 A.M.

Raymond Trombley, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE - JUNE 2, 1976

Upon hearing the recommendations of this Committee, as read by the Clerk, motion was made by Myslakowski that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Motion supported by Grove and carried. Committee report follows:

REPORT OF THE
BY-LAWS COMMITTEE
TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the BY-LAWS COMMITTEE held on Wednesday, June 2, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

McCarthy-Chairman, Myslakowski, Walsh, Plutter, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Daner, Grove, Tarnowski, Back, VanderPutten, Bedard and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Underwood and Hramiec, both of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

Ray McPeters, Chief Civil Counsel
John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:38 A.M. by the Chairman.

POLICY CHANGE - DEPARTMENT HEADS, ASS'T DEPARTMENT HEADS - NOTIFICATION OF LEAVE TIME

Mr. McPeters advised committee that on October 15, 1973, the Board of Commissioners adopted the following vacation policy as relates to department heads and/or assistant department heads:

"No department head and/or assistant department head under jurisdiction of the Board of Commissioners, shall absent himself from county employment for vacation purposes for more than five working days without prior consent of the Board of Commissioners first had and obtained through the Chairman of the Board. Notice shall be given to the Board of Commissioners no less than thirty (30) days previous to the commencement of any vacation."

Mr. McPeters pointed out at the time said policy was adopted, there was nothing pursuant to absences during working hours other than vacation.

Upon direction, Mr. McPeters said he has drafted the following proposed rules:

"ABSENCE FROM COUNTY DURING WORKING HOURS

"No department head and/or assistant department head, under jurisdiction of the Board of Commissioners shall absent himself from county employment by leaving the County of Macomb for any purpose whatsoever related to county employment without prior consent of the Board of Commissioners first had and obtained through the Chairman of the Board."

Mr. McPeters indicated the purpose of this rule is to insure the Chairman of the Board will know when a department head or assistant department head is in Lansing, Detroit,

Troy, etc. on county business and not at his regular employment. He pointed out the existing policy relates only to vacations while the new one makes reference to not being on vacation but just the same leaving the county. Ordinarily, an individual has to come to the Board of Commissioners for travel authorization but experience shows some department heads travel short distances outside the county then submit their expenses. Mr. McPeters believed what the Chairman is most interested in is learning when a department head is out of the county. It creates an awkward situation for the Board Chairman when he doesn't know where his department heads are, particularly, if he must contact them on an important or urgent matter.

Commissioner Walsh referred to the proposed rules. He pointed out that even if the individual doesn't leave the county and decides to stay home, the Board Chairman should know it. Anyone reading the proposed policy would get technical because it says "by leaving the county" and not give notice. He suggested the phrase "by leaving the county" be deleted.

Chairman McCarthy noted the newly proposed rule is in addition to the existing vacation policy, it doesn't alter nor isn't meant to replace current policy.

Commissioner Walsh was of the opinion that no department head should absent himself or herself without this Board knowing where they are. An employee wouldn't do it.

Commissioner Back said as it stands, some would be gone up to a week and members of this Board wouldn't know they were gone. He said the real problem is the fact that some department heads and assistant department heads go to Lansing to testify and meet with Legislators offering positions contrary to the position this Board has taken on any given issue. The intent for a change is to alter that five day provision so they can't take off without notifying this Board. Once that is changed, the secretaries in the Board Office should develop a ledger to record these absences. By doing this, if a Commissioner is concerned about a department head or wishes to contact him, the Board Office would have a continuous record and would be able to locate the department head. If they are in Lansing and they take personal time and do it, we should know it. This proposed procedure provides checks and balances. What hurts this Board most is to find out after the fact one of our department heads or assistant department heads has gone to Lansing to testify on something this Board has taken an opposite position on.

Commissioner Myslakowski asked for clarification noting any department head or assistant is entitled to take time off if he has accumulated it, but this Board should know of it.

Chairman McCarthy said it will be necessary to repeal the existing vacation policy that deals with department heads and/or assistant department heads.

Mr. McPeters read the new language of proposed policy taking into consideration the deletions previously suggested:

"ABSENCE FROM COUNTY DURING WORKING HOURS:

"NO DEPARTMENT HEAD AND/OR ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT HEAD UNDER JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL ABSENT HIMSELF FROM COUNTY EMPLOYMENT FOR ANY PURPOSE WITHOUT PRIOR CONSENT OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FIRST HAD AND OBTAINED THROUGH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD."

Commissioner VanderPutten noted everyone takes vacations including the Board Chairman; what happens when the Board Chairman is not available. We had had instances in the past when someone is called to Lansing on two or three hour notice. We should provide for such a case and not tie our department heads' hands. He suggested the policy contain a provision that the Board of Commissioners' Committee Reporter be notified in the absence of the Board Chairman and when the Vice Chairman can't be reached.

Commissioner Walsh noted if you leave them with an escape hatch it will be taken advantage of. We have a chain of command with first the Board Chairman and if he is not available with the Vice Chairman.

Chairman McCarthy said he understands Commissioner VanderPutten's concern but suggested we try it out as it is set up. He felt there was enough flexibility in this system to work adequately.

At this point, Commissioner Back reiterated the importance of the Board Office keeping a log so at any given time the Board Chairman or any Commissioner, upon request, can know where a department head is.

Chairman McCarthy said so that this policy works effectively, it is important that the Board Office know the whereabouts not just one individual. In this way, the information will be available upon questioning at any time.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MYSLAKOWSKI, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REPEAL EXISTING VACATION POLICY AS WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD ON OCTOBER 15, 1973, PURSUANT TO DEPARTMENT HEADS AND/OR ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT HEADS. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY MYSLAKOWSKI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT NEW POLICY CONCERNING "ABSENCE FROM COUNTY EMPLOYMENT DURING WORKING HOURS" AS FOLLOWS:

"NO DEPARTMENT HEAD AND/OR ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT HEAD UNDER JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL ABSENT HIMSELF FROM COUNTY EMPLOYMENT FOR ANY PURPOSE WITHOUT PRIOR CONSENT OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FIRST HAD AND OBTAINED THROUGH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, OR IN HIS ABSENCE, THE VICE CHAIRMAN."

MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman McCarthy noted a letter did go out to each Commissioner requesting their suggestions for changes in the Board of Commissioners' Rules of Procedure. As of this date, no response has been received.

Commissioner Bedard asked if there is an occasion when a County Commissioner cannot attend a meeting, but desires to cast his vote on an issue, is there a provision for proxy votes.

Mr. McPeters said this is not possible. It is state law that you must be present to vote, no proxy is permitted in this type of office.

Commissioner Myslakowski asked if it is correct that when a person is voting he must cast a "no" or "yes" vote; he cannot "abstain".

Mr. McPeters stated an abstaining vote can be cast with the consent of the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Back noted, normally in a case where there might be a "conflict of interest" question, a member can ask for the privilege of "abstaining" and if there are no objections, he may do so. If someone objects, then a vote must be taken.

Mr. McPeters said that is correct and a vote passed by a simple majority would permit that member to abstain.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Walsh, supported by Myslakowski, to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 A.M.

James E. McCarthy, Chairman

Sandra Pietrzniak, Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - JUNE 8, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee. Commissioner Myslakowski stated that it was his recollection that a separate motion or recommendation was offered by Commissioner R. Sabaugh concerning the request that County school boards lower their millage rate and not as indicated in the Committee report, consolidating both recommendations and crediting it as being made by himself. Commissioner R. Sabaugh concurred. It was the Board Chairman's recollection that the report was correct as written. Both Commissioners Myslakowski and Sabaugh believed to have made known this fact, if only to appear in the proceedings of this Full Board meeting would then be sufficient. Motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by Bedard, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Ayes all and the motion carried. Committee report follows:

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held on Tuesday, June 8, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building - Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Back-Chairman, Bedard, Caruso, Dane, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, Grove, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, Trombley, VanderPutten, Walsh and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Underwood and Hramiec who requested to be excused.

Also present:

Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer
John Shore, County Controller
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations
Adam Nowakowski, County Treasurer
Chuck Rice, Director Parks & Recreation

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 A.M. by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Franchuk, supported by Plutter, to approve the Board Chairman's per diems for the period May 24 through May 29 and June 1 through June 4, 1976. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was previously mailed the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared by the Controller's Office. Chairman Back conducted a page-by-page review of the listing and the following motion was made.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FRANCHUK, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$388,968.10 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION RE ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 375

Chairman Back explained that the reason for bringing this matter before committee today was that it was necessary for the Chairman of the Board to sign tax warrants. In the last week, Messrs. VerKuilen, McPeters and Shore have been spending a lot of time as it relates to the responsibilities and obligations of the Board of Commissioners in connection with the Senate Bill 375.

Chairman Back referred to the copy of the Enrolled Senate Bill 375 which committee was in receipt of. He said that Mr. McPeters would point out those changes that were made last September by the Senate and signed by the Governor, which are now a part of this amended Bill. He said there were some new dimensions in the Bill that this committee should be aware of. It is necessary that Board Chairman VerKuilen sign the warrants as soon as possible and, therefore, it was necessary to get this information before this Committee today.

Mr. McPeters said, as the Chairman has pointed out, that over the period of the last several weeks, and with particular emphasis on the last week, Messrs. Shore and VerKuilen as well as himself have met regularly concerning the Enrolled Senate Bill 375 and also concerning the status of the county's appeal from the 1975 equalization and concerning the implications of this legislation with reference to the position the Board of Commissioners will take regarding an appeal for 1976 and also with reference to the tax warrants. The warrants have to be signed by the Chairman and sent to the local units. They want to know what SEV figures will be placed on those tax warrants, whether it be the county figure or the state figure. The county was not faced with this problem last year because they did not have the benefit of this legislation. It became law in 1975 when the Governor signed the Bill. An appeal was filed in June and part of this legislation arose as a result of the appeals filed by the counties.

Mr. McPeters continued. As a result of the action taken by the State Tax Tribunal in the increases of the SEV, this Board of Commissioners is obligated to notify local units of government of the increased figure. The local units of government are obligated to roll back their millages so that dollar-wise they will not take into their treasury more money than would have been assessed against the county equalized value of a higher millage rate. That figure does not apply to the schools. They do not have to roll back. We have to conclude, in light of this Bill, and in light of other legislation, and in light of the fact we have no appeals filed this year by the cities and/or the schools districts and the college or the intermediate school district, that we still have the appeals pending from 1975.

Mr. McPeters continued. This year there are no appeals filed as to the county equalization and factors given out by the county. It is incumbent upon the Board of Commissioners to place on the tax warrant the state equalized valuation handed down by the State Tax Commission and that the tax warrant be sent out with that increase expressed thereon. The local units of government will have to roll back their millages so that the tax yield will be no greater. However, the schools may take advantage of the state increased valuations and not roll their's back and, therefore, receive the increased millage. Mr. McPeters stated that the Bill before committee today came after the appeal had been filed by the Board of Commissioners in 1975. The discussions today are strictly relating to the 1976 SEV that have been established by the Board of Commissioners and just recently by the Board of Equalization. The new language of the law that went into affect September, 1975, after our appeal was filed, as is underlined in the following paragraph quoted from the Bill:

"Sec. 34 (1) The board of commissioners in each county shall meet in April each year to determine county equalized value. In addition, within 30 days after the effective date of this act and each year thereafter the county board shall advise the local taxing units when the state tax commission increases the equalized value of the county as established by the board of county commissioners and each taxing unit other than a school district, intermediate school district, or community college district, shall immediately reduce their millage rate so that subsequent to the increase ordered by the state tax commission pursuant to Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1911, as amended, being sections 209.1 to 209.8 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, total property taxes levied shall not exceed that which would have been levied if there had been no increase in valuation by the state. The county board of commissioners shall examine the assessment rolls of the several townships or cities and ascertain whether the real and personal property in the respective townships or cities has been equally and uniformly assessed at true cash value..."

This again is legislation enacted since the 1975 appeal. One other issue associated with this to be aware of, this section of thw law has nothing to do with whether or not this Board of Commissioners decides to appeal the 1976 state equalized value. That question is still open. This provision does not preclude this Board from appealing. They still have the right to appeal. It is possible, if the county wins, the taxpayers will be given a credit or rebate as the result of paying the higher taxes.

Board Chairman VerKuilen stated that in a way, the county's appeal has been taken away from them. Last year when the county appealed, no one could levy against the state equalized value. This now takes away that portion which says we can appeal and no one can levy against it until the appeal process is through. Now it says the schools can collect on the state equalized value and the county can still appeal. He said he would recommend that the county does appeal.

Commissioner Tomlinson said the question given to him most often is who cares what the evaluation is. The schools probably won't roll back the millage. You do your job by rolling back the millage and let the schools worry about their own. We can't do anything about it.

Commissioner Dane said it appears with the schools involved, as the Bill is written, the only way to obtain any relief, would be through public opinion. People are the only ones who can go to the School Boards and ask them to comply with what everyone else has to do.

Board Chairman VerKuilen said this brings out once and for all - the state blames the county, the local assessor says the county does it. This Bill has to show you, it is definitely the state who dictates to us. The state is setting the equalized value in all of the counties. This Bill has to bring out that fact.

Mr. McPeters stated that reference was made to the constitutionality of this Bill. Board Chairman VerKuilen told him ten days ago to start research work on testing the constitutionality of this legislation and he has been doing that. The question concerning the constitutionality provision relative to "uniformity" he is now researching. He is exploring that. He said he would like to make reference to the point raised by Chairman VerKuilen concerning the state being in the business to telling us what to do. Mr. McPeters referred to page 2 of Enrolled Senate Bill 375 concerning the new language with reference to the jurisdiction of the State Tax Tribunal and read as follows:

"... The State Tribunal shall fix a valuation on all property of the county. If the State Tax Tribunal shall decide that the determination and equalization made by the board of commissioners is correct, no further action shall be taken. If the State Tax Tribunal, after the hearing, decides that the valuations of the county have been improperly equalized, it shall proceed to make deductions from, or additions to, the valuations of the respective townships, cities or school districts as may be deemed proper, and in so doing, the Tribunal shall have the same powers as the board of commissioners had in the first instance..."

Mr. McPeters continued. What this means is this. Heretofore, if you filed an appeal, as Emmet County did, when the matter reached the stage of appearing before the Tribunal, Emmet County would be on one side of the table and the Tax Commission on the other side. They made an agreement to settle their differences and come up with a higher figure than the county, but lower than the state. The new language provides that the State Tax Tribunal does not have that authority any more. The only thing they can do is force changes intra-county. If someone appeals from this county and, suppose, One Million Dollars is cut off of the equalized value, that is to be spread internally, so that the value doesn't change. That points out that the state is really coming down hard on us.

Mr. Shore stated that according to the Bill, all local governmental units can appeal. What that language means is once the State Tax Commission has set the SEV for the county, all the Tax Tribunal can do is say "yes", Roseville is over assessed. We will redo it, but we will spread that money over the rest of the county". That means if one school district is adjusted, it will be spread among the rest of the school districts in the county. The state SEV once set under this Bill is it. There is no modification. The question of appeal on SEV is now in the courts. That determination is still to come.

Mr. McPeters pointed out that the state is saying that we are not going to permit anyone to tamper with SEV. We will declare the state equalized values. It will not be changed under any circumstances. There may be some internal adjustments, but we will not permit it to change the total SEV of the county.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked Mr. McPeters for a hypothetical situation.

Mr. McPeters said if the local units prevail on the basis that the assessments were too high, the tax tribunal is obligated to declare whatever excess there was has to be spread on another community in the county and the Tax Tribunal will do the spreading. If an appeal is won, they will spread it in the county. They will never change the SEV. That is set by the state. They will force us to take what they give us as a result of an appeal. This will probably stifle appeals. Any community will think hard if they want to appeal.

Mr. McPeters continued. Another question being asked is, is the 21% an increase in assessed valuations only. It is not an increase in taxes necessarily. It is an increase in assessed valuation against which the taxes are spread. This County Board of Commissioners, as a result of the action taken by it, the county tax does not result in one dime more to this county, because this Bill provides that this Board of Commissioners will have to roll back the millage given by the Tax Allocation Board.

Commissioner McHenry asked if the schools would then be able to pick up that additional millage. Mr. McPeters replied NO.

Commissioner Caruso said he is happy that part of this Bill does take care of the schools. They will take the SEV and we can still appeal and they will get their aide. He said he is not happy with the county's right of appeal being taken away. He said he is also dissatisfied that the state has the power to set the equalized value for the county. The people will never understand this.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said he had a question in regards to local units of government. The local units of government can raise their millage rate without a vote of the people. According to this Bill, the cities will be required to lower the millage rate. What if the cities, at a later date, find it necessary to raise the millage rate which is not required by the vote of the people. Can this be done in order to offset any emergency that may arise?

Mr. McPeters said he could not give an answer because each charter is different. Most provide that the cities can raise the millage up to 20 mills. However, regardless of how a charter reads, if it is a matter of a debt, they can spread it on regardless of the amount of the millage.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said some cities are at the point where they are at the maximum level of the millage rate. If assessments are raised throughout the county, and they have to lower their millage rate, they have the option in the future to raise the millage rate. They are required by this Bill to lower their millage rate, however, the assessments will be higher. Can they raise the millage rate at a later date?

Mr. McPeters said each year is a new year for tax purposes. Under the provisions of the Bill, the local units of government cannot take in any more money than they could under the equalized value.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh asked what if it is determined that by the State Tax Commission that our county is assessed too high and they lower the assessments, what happens to the millage rate?

Mr. McPeters said that the Board of Commissioners can only concern itself with 4.94%. The cities will be dependent upon their charter.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said in looking at the intent of this legislation, it may have been good. He said he can see that the results will be an increase to the taxpayers to pay more school taxes in the county. It doesn't answer all of the problems of the school taxes. People are hit really hard with paying a large amount of school tax.

Commissioner Myslakowski stated that this Bill takes all the air out of the bag of the Tax Commission. If the county were to appeal this, would they have to go to the Michigan Supreme Court?

Mr. Shore said the county would have to appeal to the State Tax Tribunal.

Commissioner Myslakowski pointed out that Center Line raised their millage rate 3.01%. They haven't adopted their budget yet. They raised the millage from 17.25% and with the increased 3.01% it makes a total of 20.26%. Right now, Center Line is at 20.26% and they also added a ½ mill for collection. Right now Center Line is at 20.26%. They have already raised 3.51% before the state equalized value goes into effect.

Commissioner Myslakowski continued. In the past year, the county never raised the millage. The assessors did it and got their increases. Finally, this year, the county took the State Tax Commission to court. We are fighting automatic increases in assessments. The county has not increased the millage rate and he thought the people of the county should know this.

Commissioner McHenry said he realizes that the assessed valuation, millage and taxes are all inter-related. He would like to see this Board stick to equalization and have nothing to do with what the schools or cities have set for a millage. He said he thinks the county's job is equalization. If we equalize this county properly, we have done our job.

Chairman Back said he thought the big concern is the argument with the state, as it relates to the kind of equalization in the county. That is why the Board did what it did last year and that was to appeal the high SEV of the state. The average man has no protection unless it is the governmental unit.

Commissioner Tomlinson asked if the county does appeal what affect would it have on the schools?

Mr. Shore said it could have a future affect, but no present affect. It depends on whether the appeal was taken up promptly and a decision came down prior to October or early November when the Board has to apportion the millage.

Chairman of the Board VerKuilen stated that according to the state law, school districts can levy now on the state equalized value. Even if the county appeals, it has no affect on that. They can still levy on the state equalized value rather than the county equalized value, but the county can still appeal. According to the law, we must give them the state equalized value. They are allowed to levy on that assessment. We should still contest it. The people have put their faith in us in the battle we have started.

Mr. McPeters said what he was looking for was two kinds of motions: First that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to sign the tax warrants and that the local units and school boards be notified of the affect of Enrolled Senate Bill 375; and, second, that the Board of Commissioners appeal the 1976 state equalized value as set by the State Board of Equalization.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOMLINSON, SUPPORTED BY TROMBLEY, THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD BEING AUTHORIZED TO SIGN TAX WARRANTS AND THAT THE LOCAL UNITS AND SCHOOL BOARDS BE NOTIFIED OF THE AFFECT OF THE ENROLLED SENATE BILL 375. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MYSKAKOWSKI, SUPPORTED BY S. SABAUGH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEED WITH WHATEVER MEANS IS NECESSARY TO APPEAL THE 1976 STATE EQUALIZED VALUE AND TO REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARDS OF EDUCATION LOWER THEIR MILLAGE RATE TO COMPENSATE FOR THE INCREASE IN ASSESSED VALUATION. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner VanderPutten pointed out that Chairman Back made a suggestion a few

months back and that was to disband the Equalization Department. If the county gets into this hassle every year, let the schools and the communities deal directly with the state.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh thought that legal counsel should be asked to draft some legislation to rescind the changes in the Bill until the appeal is exhausted. Mr. McPeters said he discussed amending the Bill with Bowman's Aide. They want to amend some of the provisions of the Act. He said he couldn't tell how it will come out but it should be followed carefully. They are working on the suggested amendment.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Tarnowski said a few months ago, the Board of Commissioners authorized the borrowing of \$93,000 for construction purposes at the Dollier-Galineer Park. They said they would come back for approval of bids as they are received on the various work to be done and he was seeking approval today of a low bid of \$24,647.90 for subsurface field tile to be awarded to Mago Construction Company. They were the low bidder on the job.

It was determined that there would first have to be a motion to rescind the rules and the following motion was made:

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by VanderPutten, supported by Franchuk, to amend the rules in order to allow this (following) matter to be acted on. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TARNOWSKI, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF PARKS & RECREATION IN THE AWARDED OF THE CONTRACT TO MAGO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,647.90 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SUB-SURFACE FIELD TILE AT THE DOLLIER-GALINEER PARK. MOTION CARRIED.

At this point in the meeting, Chairman Back said he wished to bring to the attention of the committee a change in policy procedure that requires some urgency. Under the present policy, a member of the Board of Commissioners can go to a conference. They notify the secretary and that individual can go. However, based on the Board policy, there is nothing in the policy that takes care of a person who no longer will hold office after November. A policy ought to be set that would take care of those people. Some day, it will include all of us. A policy should be set if a person is not running for re-election or will not be in office he would not go to a conference or convention.

Commissioner Dane said he has no objection to that, but let's establish it for the entire county. If a person decides not to run, or a person is defeated in an election, or if a person files for another position in the county, they could look at that separately.

Commissioner Gavin said he is taking this matter personally. He said he understands there are three people who didn't file and who intent to go to Utah. He pointed out that he has seven months to serve on this Board and he feels he can make a major contribution yet. He said he still intends to do certain things and resents this implication. He said he will not vote for such a motion.

Chairman Back said one day this will affect every member sitting here, unless the exception is Commissioner Walsh who is running for another office. We are talking about where you will no longer be in a position to utilize what happens at a conference or convention.

Commissioner Gavin said he has a letter from NACO asking him to testify at the Transportation Steering Committee Meeting. They invited him to come there and he intends to speak to them at that meeting and get this position into the NACO platform. NACO doesn't care whether or not his term ends and he said he is upset that someone would bring this up.

Commissioner Back stated if Commissioner Gavin is to speak to the NACO Transportation Steering Committee and it relates to policy position, has it ever been brought as a position of this Board. Every time in the past, when it is known that a person is serving on a committee or board, they have brought their position paper to the Board. If they went to speak as a member of this Board, they should bring the paper to this Board. The Board may not agree that it should be the position of the Bull Board.

Commissioner Gavin said in March he drove to Washington and along the way he had difficulty with the trucks on the highway. He introduced a resolution at the NACO Conference and he is simply going on record asking for better law enforcement on the highway in dealing with the 55 mile per hour speed limit. He said he didn't think the whole Board would have to go on record.

Chairman Back pointed out that there might be someone who does not agree with the 55 mile per hour law. If someone appears before NACO or MAC as a member of this Board, they should bring their position paper back to the Board.

Commissioner Trombley said he may have made or supported the motion to send the Sheriff to a conference, but he did not know that this policy opinion was coming up this morning. If the Board goes this way, it will be necessary to rescind the previous motion. He said there may have been need for this type of rule at the beginning of the year. This would have taken care of some of the personal dissatisfaction. He said he would back Commissioner Gavin. He does his job. These men have many months to serve yet.

Commissioner Johnson said he agrees with Commissioner Trombley. He asked if this

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was part of the By-Laws and perhaps should be referred to the By-Laws Committee for action. He said he would hope this could be handled that way. Commissioner Gavin has seven months to serve yet. He said he doesn't like the timing here. It is a problem that can be handled sensibly. He said it should be referred to the By-Laws Committee so that the travel policy can be redone and the rules clearly understood. He said he doesn't want one person to be treated one way and someone else another at the eleventh hour. Commissioner Johnson then offered a motion, supported by Myslakowski, to refer this matter to the By-Laws Committee.

Commissioner Myslakowski was of the opinion that each case should be judged for itself. You can't have a cut and dry law. Commissioner Gavin has done a great service to the county in bringing back a lot of information to the county. The timing is very poor and asked that this matter be tabled.

At this time, Commissioner Walsh asked to be excused as it was necessary for him to attend a meeting in Lansing.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he disagrees on a number of things. He said he supports the Chairman wholeheartedly. What concerns him is the taxpayers' money. The county may have to layoff some employees. The contract has not been settled. We have to watch every tax dollar. It should be a policy of this Board and if it applied to one, it should apply to all. He said he doesn't see anything wrong with bringing this up at this time. Some people feel their vacation time will be ruined and he supports this new policy.

Commissioner Caruso said he disagrees with Commissioner Gavin's stand on the 55 mile per hour speed limit. He himself would like it back to 70.

A motion was offered by R. Sabaugh, supported by Caruso, that the Board of Commissioners adopt a new policy whereby any elected official or department head who meets the definition of a "lame duck elected official" would not be allowed to go to a convention or conference following the time when he ceases to become a lame duck elected official or department head. Any exemption to this policy shall be by a vote of two-thirds of the Board. (No vote was taken on this motion as they changed the wording later in the meeting)

Commissioner Dane said there are exceptions. They have to be covered. We can make an individual decision based on several things. Using the Sheriff, as an example. If he decides after many years of fine service to the county that he was going to retire and was, in fact, the outgoing or incoming or present President of his Association, we should be able to deal with him individually. He should be able to go to his last meeting to say farewell and pass the gavel on. He said he is glad there will be a provision that the Board can individually look at these cases and to be fair about it.

Commissioner Trombley said he would not vote for something that was improper. He felt that this came up unexpectedly. If this was the beginning of the year, he would vote for it immediately.

Commissioner Gavin said the definition of a "lame duck" bothers him. According to the dictionary, a "lame duck" is a person who is not re-elected. A number of men in the U. S. Congress have announced they are not running. They are not a lame duck until after their election. He said he does not consider himself as a lame duck. He has one-quarter of a fully elected term to go. There is no way his power is lame. He said he doesn't think the term should be used improperly. There is a proper way to do things.

At this time, the motion was amended to read as follows:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY CARUSO, THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A NEW POLICY WHEREBY ANY COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO HAS NOT FILED FOR RE-ELECTION TO HIS OR HER OFFICE, OR WHO WILL NOT BE HOLDING AN ELECTED OFFICE AT THE TIME A CONFERENCE OR CONVENTION IS BEING HELD, WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND. THIS POLICY SHALL ALSO APPLY TO COUNTY APPOINTED DEPARTMENT HEADS. RECONSIDERATION OF A TRAVEL REQUEST FOR AN INDIVIDUAL FALLING INTO THIS CATEGORY SHALL BE MADE BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND EXCEPTIONS MADE BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE.

Commissioner Johnson said if there is a need for a change, he doesn't like to see it at the eleventh hour.

Commissioner Johnson offered a motion which was supported by Myslakowski, to refer this matter to the Policy Committee for study and recommendation.

A vote was then called for on the previous motion and the MOTION CARRIED with Commissioners Myslakowski, Johnson and Gavin voting NO.

Commissioner Dane pointed out that since this action was taken after the Sheriff's travel request was approved, that motion would now have to be rescinded.

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Caruso, supported by Myslakowski, to rescind the previous travel request of the Sheriff. Motion carried with Commissioner Johnson voting NO.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh asked if this policy will take affect now.

Chairman Back said this is the official committee at which travel requests are approved and is, in fact, comprised of the Full Board of Commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

Willard D. Back, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE - JUNE 16, 1976

After hearing this Committee's recommendations, as read by the Clerk, motion was made by Johnson that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Motion supported by McCarthy and carried. Committee report follows:

REPORT OF THE
HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE
TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the HEALTH, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & WELFARE COMMITTEE, held on Wednesday, June 16, 1976, on the 2nd floor of the Court Building in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Johnson-Chairman, Myslakowski, Bedard, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk, Gavin, McCarthy, Plutter, R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Trombley, VanderPutten and VerKuilen

Not present was Commissioner Underwood, who asked to be excused.

Also present:

Commissioner Michael Walsh, Health Board Member
Ben Giampetroni, Director, Planning Department
John Shore, County Controller
Merlin Damon, Director, Environmental Health
Tim Backhurst, Planning Department
Norman Kerr, Health Department
Dr. Leland Brown, Director, Health Department
Don VanderVeen, Director, Social Services
John Carroll, Planning Department
Dick Roose, Assistant Director, Planning Department
Charles Warren, Administrator, Mount Clemens General Hospital
Dr. Ross, Director, Mount Clemens General Hospital

There being a quorum of the Committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:35 A.M.

CHARLES WARREN, ADMINISTRATOR, MOUNT CLEMENS GENERAL HOSPITAL,
SPEAKING ON ANTICIPATED BUILDING AND EXPANSION PROGRAM

Mr. Warren introduced the Director of the hospital to committee. He began by stating that the hospital has been in operation for 32 years providing health care to the community. He said they have been working on an expansion program at the hospital in the amount of eleven and one-half million dollars. He said he was here today to seek support from the community to provide a medical need to this part of the County. There are 260 beds presently in the hospital, and they have over 800 people employed with an annual payroll of eight and one-half million dollars. They have an operating budget that exceed \$15 million. In this type of an operation, to be more efficient, it was determined that they needed additional beds for the hospital. They submitted an application through the proper agencies. They complied with all of the guidelines they had to follow. The Greater Detroit Hospital Planning Council indicated that for this part of the country, identified as Area 77, there was a bed need of 228 beds by the year 1980. The State Health Department indicated for this area there would be 105 beds needed by 1980. On the basis of this information, they submitted an application to the CHPC, indicating they wanted to expand the hospital to show a net growth of 100 beds. In addition, they showed they wanted to replace 68 existing beds that do not conform to the State Health Department standards. They showed expansion of other services in the hospital.

Mr. Warren continued. In submitting the application to CHPC, they indicated they were in compliance, however, the CHPC disapproved the application. It went through several committees, however, under PA 256 for the State of Michigan, on a Certificate of Need, there is a channel it goes through, and by July 24, it will be acted upon. What they are asking for is support from the committee to help them to get this through, if only by moral support. He said he feels there is a definite need for these beds. He said he feels the hospital and the community has been denied what is due them in the health care field.

Board Chairman VerKuilen said he would like to point out that Mount Clemens General Hospital always cooperated very closely with the County Board and with the EMS Council. That hospital was one of the first to train the EMS people in the County. He said with this type of cooperation, he would certainly support the hospital in their expansion and suggested a letter be sent to the CHPC asking them to reconsider the hospital's application.

The following motion was then offered:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY BEDARD, THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS GO ON RECORD SUPPORTING MOUNT CLEMENS GENERAL HOSPITAL IN THEIR APPLICATION

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TO THE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE HOSPITAL.

Mr. Warren pointed out that due to overcrowding, the technicians cannot perform properly. The space is inadequate. The surgical suite was built in 1954 for 100 beds. Since that time, 160 beds have been added to it, and the suite has stayed the same. The same thing applied to the X-ray Department. By enlarging the departments and with the addition of the beds, they will come up with a more efficient operation.

Commissioner Gavin asked Mr. Warren why the CHPC turned them down.

Mr. Warren said he wished he knew the definite reasons. In respect to the application, they followed all of the guidelines that the CHPC called for. They submitted their application on that basis. They questioned the area of the architectural design of the building. They questioned the cost of the building - not that it was too high, but that it was too low. They responded to that. They asked questions about the Board composition. They responded to that. They asked about the patient flow. They responded to that. When they appeared at the meeting, they had an opportunity to make a presentation on the questions that they raised. The committee of CHPC indicated that they were satisfied with their answers. When it went to the hospital committee to make the decision, some of the questions raised had no bearing upon the application and what the needs were in the community. It was turned down. Frankly, at this point, Mr. Warren said he doesn't know what the reasons are.

Commissioner Gavin said it seems that the Federal Government has been supporting the building of hospital facilities for some years and asked if he was correct in assuming that the hospital would not use Federal financing.

Mr. Warren said the expansion would be financed by the hospital strictly using their own funds. They have a couple of ways to go - through bank financing or through a bond issue. No government funds will be used.

Commissioner Gavin asked if it is their intent to use their own funds would they still have to be reviewed by CHPC?

Mr. Warren explained that there are two requirements. The State Department of Health, Education and Welfare indicated that Medicaid and Medicare require there shall be a Certificate of Need. All states shall set up an agency to have a hospital plan and review it. In connection with the State of Michigan, this came out with PA 256. The two are really two different agencies. The CHPC is under the federal part of Medicaid and Medicare. The State of Michigan is under the Act for Hospitals for Certificate of Need under PA 256. The State of Michigan Health Department still has the authority in making the final decision on this. CHPC only makes the recommendation to the State Health Department under the current setup. In a way, it seems like a duplication of efforts here in the state, but that is the process. If you go ahead and build anyway, the State of Michigan could issue an injunction against them. They could not be reimbursed on certain types of patients in the hospital.

Commissioner Gavin said it sounded like we are dealing with a type of bureaucracy. There are a small group who make the decisions. He said he has received an agenda for a meeting at which the Executive Board will make a decision on various hospitals. He said what concerns him is that some of the hospitals in the Detroit Medical Complex have extra beds available. While they have a surplus of beds, in this County we do not. Perhaps that is their reasoning. Why not send people to where space is available. If there are already sufficient beds in some areas and if doctors would send their patients to those places instead of having a favorite hospital, this situation would not exist.

Chairman Johnson pointed out the crime problem in Detroit and thus in getting from your car to the hospital. The situation is getting worse. He said he thought people deserved some consideration. He said he doesn't know how much representation the County has on that Council, but it is not a matter of just beds but all support services that need to be developed.

Commissioner Gavin said he thought this sort of thing results in high health costs, and we all know who eventually pays for this. We just had St. Joseph West open, South Macomb recently put an addition on and part of this is a competitive situation.

Mr. Warren said he would like to speak on the bed situation. The main areas in the greater Detroit area are divided into four areas: Area 4 is 14 Mile Road north; area 3 is south of that and carries along the border of Eight Mile Road; area 2 is the northwest area of Detroit; area 1 is the Detroit area and southeast of Detroit.

Mr. Warren continued. Part of the methodology was that area number 4 over a number of years had a need for beds in that area. Areas 1, 2 and 3 were over-bedded. Consequently there was a moratorium put on area 4 until such time to the south of 14 Mile Road there was a construction of a hospital in an area that was over-bedded. To help the hospital get by, area 4 was combined with area 3. Once that was accomplished, areas 3 and 4 were together for a number of years until recently, when the people in this area that is St. Joseph Hospital, Mount Clemens General, Almont and Harrison, raised their voices about being combined with area 3 and were separated. The beds they are asking for are not to provide an exotic surgery for heart transplants but merely to provide the care that is expected of a community hospital. The exotic cases are transferred to some other major hospital. They feel providing the beds in this area, they are not sending the citizens of this community into Detroit or areas on the fringes of Detroit for the primary care that they should get in the area where they live.

Commissioner R. Sabaugh said he would support any expansion building at Mount Clemens General Hospital. He pointed to the fact that the hospital is the only one in the area with a hemodialysis service and that patients who need this type of service must travel into Detroit.

Chairman Johnson then called for a vote on the motion presented and THE MOTION CARRIED.

1976 REVISION - SOLID WASTE PLAN

Chairman Johnson stated that committee was in receipt of the Solid Waste Plan revised for 1976 which must be submitted to the State of Michigan by June, 1976 to comply with Act 86 of 1965 as amended. Committee was in receipt of the Solid Waste Program.

Ben Giampetroni, Director, Planning Commission, began the discussion by stating that under Michigan P. A. 86 of 1965, as amended by P. A. 89 of 1971, the County is responsible for solid waste planning for those communities of less than 10,000 in population if they do not: (a) prepare their own plan or (b) adopt the plan of a special authority or regional body. Those communities over 10,000 persons in population size are responsible for their own solid waste plans.

In 1973 the County informed all communities, by letter, of their responsibilities under P. A. 87. The communities were asked to respond by stating their intentions to meet the state requirements. At that time, the County became responsible for solid waste planning for eight communities; namely, Utica, Romeo, Memphis, New Haven, Lake Township, Lenox Township, Richmond Township and Ray Township. Since the 1973 plan, Lake Township has been covered by the Grosse Pointes-Clinton Refuse Disposal Authority Plan and the County's plan area now consists of seven communities.

John Carroll of the Planning Commission said that the document was approved by the Board of Commissioners in 1973 and sent to the State, and it was accepted by the State.

Mr. Damon stated that there isn't a great deal of change from the 1973 plan. It is a legal responsibility the County is meeting. In two years, we will be back doing it again. Mr. Damon then explained how the various communities dispose of their solid waste.

City of Memphis - The City has a contract with a private hauler. All residents are serviced by the private hauler. They have one major industry, a pickle factory, and they do their own hauling and haul somewhere in St. Clair County.

New Haven - They contract with a private hauler. They pick up at 450 homes in that community. The people are billed quarterly along with their water bill. Most of their material comes to a commercial land fill.

Ray Township - They have their own land fill. The people carry their own waste there. It is owned and operated by the Township. It costs over \$6,000 a year to run that operation.

Township of Richmond - They have a private hauler. They also run their own land fill. It is being fast filled up. Hopefully, it will be out of operation soon.

Village of Romeo - They have a combination of a private hauler, or they can also go through the City Hall and purchase a service ticket for use at the South Macomb Disposal Authority. The Ford Plant has a private hauler. They handle some of their waste. Some is taken by the Ford Company to the South Macomb Disposal Authority.

Utica - Everyone is on their own. You can hire who you want. Most deal with Utica Disposal Company.

Mr. Damon continued. As far as the short range plan, it is pretty much status quo. Within two years, they will be back reviewing this. In talking with the communities, they are suggesting that they start thinking about cooperation. They are talking to Richmond about a box system. That is a small box where people bring their trash and it is picked up regularly. There is also a roll off box system which is designed for over their existing fill. It is a larger container and it would be handled from one site. There are major things happening that may change a number of things. East Detroit, who is a member of the South Macomb Disposal Authority, determined because of the hauling costs to their land fill, it would be cheaper to haul into Detroit. The City of Roseville had some axle trucks overloading and they were getting into trouble with the weight people.

Commissioner McCarthy said he is not happy with the report. He said he knows this is an update. He said he didn't think this was the type of solution to the solid waste program. It is oriented strictly toward land fill. He said he didn't think that was the solution to the problem in the County. Other people are taking steps in getting programs initiated. Land fills are the cheaper way to go, but it is using up land the whole state needs. You speak of a number of haulers. What control do we have, as a County, through the Health Department, in licensing of these people? Communities on the west side of the County had private contractors come in and ask for funds to haul trash away. They collected the money and bugged out. What prevents a person from getting a truck and taking their waste to a land fill? Do we have control over the licensing of these people? What does the Health Department do in regards to this?

Mr. Damon said several good points were raised. He said he would hope it was understood that this report is to meet a technical legal problem. He said he didn't want anyone to think that the Health Department was leaning toward land fill. It will take a combination of many different types of disposal systems to make the thing work.

Chairman Johnson pointed out that the County is meeting the basic requirements of the State. This report is highly land fill oriented. Washington Township passed a one mill tax to fight South Macomb Disposal Authority to prevent them from using their land for land fill. Oakland County is approaching us to use our territory for land fill. That is not the answer.

After discussing this report, Chairman Johnson said he would be asking for a motion to approach the Resource Recovery Commission, a Division of the Environmental Pro-

tection Agency, to use the money for working on a long range program for the County. It is coming. The evidence against land fill is going up fast. We have to operate with the money in our budget. One of the things the County has going for it is an excellent Planning Commission and Health Department. When you get reports like this with the indepth of research behind it, we are headed in the right direction. We have the best plan around. Oakland County and others want in on it.

Mr. Damon stated that there is a licensing procedure for haulers and a licensing procedure for disposal operations. This does not mean that it is working well. It is a serious problem and they do not have good control over it. The refuse haulers are getting larger and they are having a difficult time keeping up with their roll offs. Roll Offs may be in our County today and the next day in Oakland County and the next day in Detroit. The law reads the County has to inspect all of them for \$10 each. There are a series of bills that will change this system and make it easier to control in that the company will write Lansing for the license and the County won't have to inspect every box on the site.

Commissioner Gavin said he read every page of this report and compared it to the 1973 report and he didn't think it was updated very well. There is a lot more to be done. For instance, the DPW Director in Detroit has set up a program whereby a private company is coming in to take all of the city's garbage. They are setting up a recovery system where that company can make a profit by shredding, separating and burning the garbage. That might be a better way to sell our garbage to the City of Detroit or Oakland County.

Commissioner Gavin referred to three years ago when he, along with various other Commissioners, were on a committee to work out the 1973 plan. At that time, they had a great deal of difficulty getting any cooperation from the communities or from the South Macomb Disposal Authority. They couldn't talk with them or get any figures and asked if they were still acting that way.

Chairman Johnson said South Macomb Disposal Authority is willing to cooperate. He said he would like to read into the record a letter he received from Oakland County Department of Public Works.

"Oakland County over the past several years has been in the process of developing a Solid Waste Disposal System Master Plan. It is recognized that until some of the more exotic resource recovery systems prove themselves and can be constructed, sanitary landfills will continue to be the prime method of disposal."

"During the course of the implementation of Oakland County's Solid Waste Master Plan we may have need for additional sanitary landfill sites. Accordingly, to improve our knowledge of the areas' resources in that regard, do you know of any such public or private sanitary landfills in your County, either existing or proposed, that would be willing to accept solid waste flows from Oakland County? Any information along these lines that you could send us would be very much appreciated."

Chairman Johnson stated that until the exotic methods of disposing of waste are developed, the County will have to stick to land fill for a while. This is a status quo thing. It wasn't meant to be the blueprint for the future.

Mr. Giampetroni said he should point out again the Solid Waste Plan for 1973 was accepted by the State and adopted by the Board of Commissioners. In his mind, they had to really work to get this report out in order to meet the deadline.

Commissioner DeGrendel said his concern is land fill disposal. It is time that some alternative methods were looked into. Washington Township is voting for a one mill increase to fight any expanded landfills.

Commissioner Myslakowski said half of our waste problems can be taken care of by the existing laws. By burning papers you have some of the best fertilizer available. Half of the waste materials could be utilized if people knew how to dispose of them. Wasting land is not the best solution. We do have to look toward better plans and systems. He said he really thought it unfortunate that the report didn't say too much for the future. He doesn't agree that sanitary land fill is the best solution. He would like to see the County going toward future resource recovery.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FRANCHUK, SUPPORTED BY MYSLAKOWSKI, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO ADOPT THE 1976 SOLID WASTE PLAN AND THAT IT BE SUBMITTED TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN BY JUNE 30, 1976, TO COMPLY WITH ACT 86 OF 1965, AS AMENDED, AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VANDER PUTTEN, SUPPORTED BY DE GRENDEL, TO CONTACT THE RESOURCE RECOVERY COMMISSION, DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, IN ORDER TO ACQUIRE FEDERAL FUNDS TO PLAN AND IMPLEMENT A SOLID WASTE RECOVERY PROGRAM, THE PLANNING PROCESS TO INCLUDE ALL INTERESTED UNITS OF GOVERNMENT IN MACOMB COUNTY, AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SAME. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Patrick J. Johnson, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - JUNE 17, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. Motion was made by DeGrendel, supported by Walsh, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

REPORT OF THE
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

At a meeting of the JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE held on Thursday, June 17, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building - Board of Commissioners' conference room the following members were present:

Hramiec-Chairman, DeGrendel, Back, Caruso, Dane, Daner, Johnson, Plutter,
S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Walsh and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Bedard and Myslakowski who requested to be excused.

Also present:

Robert Nyovich, Legislative Aide
Sheriff Almstadt, Sheriff Department
John Shore, County Controller
Bill Boyea, Administrator, Juvenile Court
George Parris, Prosecuting Attorney
Joe Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations
Don Amboyer, Coordinator Correctional Rehabilitation Center

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 9:35 A.M. by the Chairman.

LEAA GRANT APPLICATION - PROSECUTION ADMINISTRATOR
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Because of the fact that George Parris had left the meeting, Commissioner Walsh said he would like to speak on this matter as he had considerable information on it. Commissioner Walsh said he had received in the mail information on the number of Assistant Prosecutors that the department has in 1976; how many they had in 1974 and what the trial work load was. He said he thought he would check it out and find out how valid it was. He not only found the information valid, that the workload had increased considerably, but that it was out of proportion to the number of Assistant Prosecutors added in the last few years. He found there was a great deal of work that they didn't bother to tell the Commissioners about. For instance, how many phone calls are being made, how many files they opened, how many warrants were issued, and in checking all of this out, he found that the workload increased greatly out of proportion.

Commissioner Walsh continued. For example, in the Consumer Fraud Division alone, they handled 18,000 phone calls and written contracts had to be studied. They opened over 1500 files and issued 144 warrants in 1975. None of those things were mentioned. He said he also found out that their office has taken on a great deal of detail work that should be handled by clerical people. Commissioner Walsh said he was in favor of applying for this grant and in providing a Prosecution Administrator in the Prosecutor's Office. The total cost of this project will be \$33,535. The local cash match requirement for the county will be \$1,677 or 5% of the grant total for the first year.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE APPLYING FOR AN LEAA GRANT FOR THE HIRING OF A PROSECUTION ADMINISTRATOR, LOCAL CASH MATCH REQUIREMENT BEING \$1,677. MOTION CARRIED.

LEAA GRANT APPLICATION - CORRECTIONAL
SERVICES (SHERIFF DEPARTMENT)

Don Amboyer, Coordinator for the Correctional Rehabilitation Center, explained the need for this grant. They are requesting permission to apply for an LEAA Grant for funds to staff and operate the new 104 bed facility. The operation will require an additional four Deputy Sheriffs and 28 correctional officers (turnkeys) to operate on a 24 hour per day, seven day per week basis. Three of the deputies and 23 of the turnkeys will be included in the grant application for federal funding. That is the major budget item in the grant application.

Mr. Amboyer then referred to a chart which showed the makeup of what LEAA funded services consisted of and what other funded services were.

Commissioner DeGrendel asked Mr. Shore how this affects the county budget.

Mr. Shore stated that the county has sufficient money for match purposes at this time. The full impact of this does not come with this year's budget, but it comes in the year 1978.

Commissioner Tarnowski asked Mr. Shore how the county will survive the full impact of this grant.

Mr. Shore said he would not like for this committee to look at 1978. The Board will have to address itself to various priorities in the year 1977.

Commissioner Tarnowski asked what happens in the future if there are not enough prisoners and the county is at full capacity in employees.

Mr. Shore replied the same thing happens as in any other organization. When the activity is there you man for that activity. If it changes or disappears, your manning power changes. Mr. Shore pointed out that in the first year there is a screening period whereby prisoners are screened for programs. Manning is related to the number of prisoners. The building is being built in houses or wings. The facility requires certain people. As you fill each wing, you will require a certain number of people. The employees will be added as the wings are filled or as required.

Commissioner Tarnowski asked what happens in the future if we don't have enough prisoners and we have to pick up the tab.

Mr. Zacharzewski said there may be a question on civil services on who would go. There would be a reduction of people at the point that the Board of Commissioners indicates that so much money will not be allocated for personnel.

Commissioner Caruso said he could see no reason why the Board couldn't reduce the amount of people hired if the facilities are not needed and offered the following motion:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARUSO, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO CONCUR IN THE REQUEST OF THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE APPLYING FOR AN LEAA CORRECTIONAL SERVICES GRANT, THE COUNTY'S SHARE OF WHICH WILL BE \$53,064.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh said he has the grant in front of him and notes that the Correctional Services Grant is in the total amount of \$530,638. The County's share is 10% of that or \$53,064. He asked how long the federal government grant lasts.

Mr. Nyovich replied that all LEAA Grants are on a year-to-year basis. The Correctional Grant is ordinarily a three year program. The entire LEAA program is up for discussion. They are discussing the various amounts and the number of years that it will be extended. It could be a three year extension and a five year extension. Now it is on a year-to-year basis, but each year the Judiciary Committee would review the request and submit it.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh pointed out that it has been the experience with other federal programs - they lasted three years and after that time, the government bails out and leaves it with the county. He said \$530,000 is a lot of money and asked if part of the salaries would be part of a CETA funding program. When the funding is no longer there, then what happens to the employees?

Mr. Zacharzewski said there would be several ways to go. They would have to fall within the guidelines to be eligible for CETA funds. They would have to be unemployed for a certain period of time to be brought back under CETA.

Mr. Shore said the reason they are thinking in terms of LEAA is because of the three year life of the program. The CETA program is year-to-year based entirely on the economic factors in the county. He said he thought the LEAA program would be extended until September of 1977. If the county gets this grant, or a part of it, if there are additional needs, the county could supplement the additional needs with CETA. But until they submit the grant, they don't know if they will get a part or all of the grant. They are asking for these moneys under what they think will be favorable circumstances. He said they don't know how the agency in Lansing and Washington will look at this grant. If the grant is not accepted, in whole or in part, they will have to look at other means to put these people on.

Commissioner S. Sabaugh asked what Mr. Amboyer expected to be the overall acceptance of the program as regards the prisoners.

Mr. Amboyer said that this data is necessary for the federal government to make a determination based upon the need in terms of over crowding. The facility was designed to hold 250 people. Because of over-crowding conditions, people had to be transferred out of the county. As a result of three surveys conducted from November, 1973; two surveys in 1974 and one survey on May 26, 1976, a great deal of base line data was established. They determined the academic level of inmates employed prior to commitment. Programs have been developed to get people working to support themselves and families. They are attempting to develop work skills in the jail so when a person is released, they will have a trade in order to be employable. There is a great need among employers for people with a welding trade. People could also work on county vehicles as there is also an opportunity to get jobs in mechanical areas.

Commissioner Back said he was glad to see this grant application coming before this committee. It is an excellent program. He said we can't forget that the facility is going to be there as a facility under the designs of the Board of Commissioners and their idea of what would be as near an ideal to a minimum security facility. He thought it might be a model that other counties might come to and look at as it relates to the future. They had in consideration a number of people for total rehabilitation so that the county could derive some benefits to the extent of mechanics, car washers, welders, etc. Hopefully what the Board saw back then will become a reality. The inmates will get some kind of exercise, some screening and in some cases, some psychiatric help and proper counseling. He said it would be money well spent.

Commissioner Back continued. He said one day he would like to see a total type of program. As far as the needs as they relate to manpower, there will be recommendations coming back from Mr. Amboyer and Mr. Nyovich's Office for some changes, based on the experience with the program and they will, in the future, request the Board to do certain things. He said he hopes the grant is successful and that the county is able to get the moneys. If we don't get the money, we have to staff it anyway. If we have the three years to continue the program, perhaps some priorities will have to be set in the Sheriff's Department so that this will be successful. He said he would like to believe in a year or two, when the program really gets going, people will come to this county to see this facility and what we are doing here.

Board Chairman VerKuilen pointed out that some of the questions asked sounds like the county created a new program that it didn't really need. One of the other things besides rehabilitation - look at the City of Detroit. They have to build a facility that will cost a lot of money. This county is trying to keep away from doing this. By constructing a facility now, that is minimum security, it will cost less than building a maximum security. It is our obligation, under the law, to put people in jail at times. We are trying to do it with rehabilitation. If a youngster faces an offense for six months, we want to help him out to keep him from coming back. In the future, no doubt, the jobs will be here. Facilities will be needed. The county has already had to put people in other jails. The time is here. It is not a frill type thing. We didn't create a new program. We have to do this under the law.

The Chairman then called for the question on the motion. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Hramiec said he had one comment to make. He said on all of the programs in the county, the success of it depends on who runs the particular program. He said he is very proud of all of the programs in the county. All of the programs under LEAA have been very successful. We always look at them closely. Other counties took advantage of that money and used it unwisely. We always look closely on all grants. There has been a lot of work and input on it. All comments show we feel strongly about this area. It is a difficult area. It isn't that easy. Just the idea to start welding - this plants the seed there. He said with the man that was selected (Mr. Amboyer) he thinks he will be able to carry the ball along with the people that the Board of Commissioners hired to assist him.

Commissioner Back said he thought it would be a good idea if the Chairman of the Board would follow through and work with who is in charge of the jail at that time and hold an open house, to which the general public would be invited and give them an opportunity to see the kind of facility it is.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

John C. Hramiec, Chairman

June Walczak, Ass't Committee Reporter

FINANCE COMMITTEE - JUNE 22, 1976

The Clerk read the report of action and recommendations made by this Committee. Motion was made by McHenry, supported by Caruso, that the report be received, filed and recommendations adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

TO: THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FROM: Willard D. Back, Chairman
Finance Committee

Because of the time element involved, the following is submitted to you in letter form so that it may be acted upon at the meeting of the Full Board to be held tomorrow, June 23, 1976. The minutes (retained in the Board Office only) of the Finance Committee meeting will be in more detail.

APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S PER DIEMS

COMMITTEE ACTION - MOTION

A motion was made by Plutter, supported by Tarnowski, to concur in the Finance Sub-Committee's recommendation and approve the Board Chairman's per diems as submitted for the period June 7 through June 18, 1976. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SEMI-MONTHLY BILLS

Committee was previously mailed the semi-monthly bill listing as prepared by the Controller's Office. Chairman Back conducted a page-by-page review of the listing and specific questions were asked, all of which will be detailed in the minutes of this meeting.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PLUTTER, SUPPORTED BY GROVE, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE SEMI-MONTHLY BILL LISTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$619,562.89 (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MAY 28, 1976 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$833,402.72 (THIS FIGURE REPRESENTS PAYROLL FOR TWO PAY PERIODS) AND THAT NECESSARY FUNDS BE APPROPRIATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee was in receipt of insurance invoices recently discussed at a meeting of the Insurance Sub-Committee held on June 15, 1976.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY R. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE INSURANCE SUB-COMMITTEE AND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE INSURANCE INVOICES OF THE COUNTY IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$43,253.00. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
S/June Walczak
Ass't Committee Reporter

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - JUNE 22, 1976

After hearing the several recommendations made by this Committee, as read by the Clerk, motion was made by R. Sabaugh that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Motion supported by Walsh and carried. Committee report follows:

TO: THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 FROM: Walter Franchuk, Chairman
 Personnel Committee

Because of the time element involved, the following is submitted to you in letter form so that it may be acted upon at the meeting of the Full Board to be held tomorrow, June 23, 1976. The minutes (retained in the Board Office only) of the Personnel Committee meeting will be in more detail.

VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT
 BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Mr. Zacharzewski said in accordance with Board procedure, he requests reconfirmation of the following vacant or soon-to-be vacant budgeted personnel positions as listed in his correspondence under date of June 14, 1976.

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
One Custodian II (James Asaro) position vacant May 21, 1976	Controller's Office (Fac. & Oper. Division)
One Nurse Aide (Judith Quinn) position vacant May 28, 1976	Martha T. Berry M.C.F.
One Charge Nurse (Donna Dombecki) position vacant June 10, 1976	Martha T. Berry M.C.F.
One SC III (Irene Gauvreau) position vacant May 28, -976	Prosecuting Attorney
One TC III (grandfathered) position now reverts to TC II (A.A. MacDonald, position vacant June 14, 1976)	Register of Deeds
One Draftsman II (Hali Chaffins) position vacant March 8, 1976	Office of Public Works Commissioner
One Adoption Caseworker (R. S. Pringle) position vacant June 11, 1976	Juvenile Court
One Cook I (Dorothy Krebs) position to be vacant June 30, 1976	Juvenile Court (Y.H.)
One Ass't Dog Warden (Paul Lobsinger) position vacant June 14, 1976	Animal Shelter

Mr. Zacharzewski stated he has checked the need for these positions and they are necessary to maintain the current level of service in the respective departments.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GREDEL, SUPPORTED BY WALSH, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR UNDER DATE OF JUNE 14, 1976. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Zacharzewski said, as usual, there are additional vacancies, received too late for inclusion in his letter of June 14, 1976. These are also necessary to maintain the current level of services in respective departments and are budgeted positions. They are as follows:

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>
One Nurses Aide	Martha T. Berry
Two laundry helpers	Martha T. Berry
One Emergency Services Co-ordinator	Law Enforcement Services Department
Two Ass't Prosecuting Attorneys III	Prosecutor's Office
One Circuit Court Clerk	County Clerk's Office
One Sanitation II	Health Department
One Public Health Nurse III	Health Department

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WALSH, SUPPORTED BY MYSLAKOWSKI, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECONFIRM THE VACANT OR SOON-TO-BE VACANT BUDGETED PERSONNEL POSITIONS AS VERBALLY REPORTED BY THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR THIS DATE. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

S/June Walczak
Ass't Committee Reporter

BUDGET COMMITTEE - JUNE 22, 1976

The Clerk read the recommendations made by this Committee. Commissioner Walsh advised the motion he made at this Committee meeting regarding the non-union personnel being offered the same as the union membership of the several departments listed, was missing. The Chairman stated it's still in Committee and will be referred. The Chairman further advised that Commissioner Walsh's motion will be in the Committee minutes, this is only the Committee report.

Motion was made by Walsh, supported by Plutter, that the report be received, filed and the recommendations adopted. Ayes all, motion carried. Committee report follows:

REPORT OF THE
BUDGET COMMITTEE
TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

At a meeting of the BUDGET COMMITTEE held on Tuesday, June 22, 1976 on the 2nd floor of the Court Building-Board of Commissioners' conference room, the following members were present:

Walsh-Chairman, Grove, Back, Bedard, Caruso, Daner, DeGrendel, Franchuk,
Gavin, Johnson, McCarthy, McHenry, Myslakowski, Plutter, R. Sabaugh,
S. Sabaugh, Tarnowski, Tomlinson, VanderPutten and VerKuilen

Not present were Commissioners Dane, Hramiec, Trombley and Underwood, all of whom requested to be excused.

Also present:

Joseph Zacharzewski, Director Personnel/Labor Relations
John Shore, County Controller
Dan Agacinski, Budget Department
Dave Diegel, Cost Audit Officer

There being a quorum of the committee present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 10:30 A.M. by Chairman Walsh.

CONTRACTS - Registered Nurses, Health Department
Building Trader
Operating Engineers

Mr. Zacharzewski requested the Budget Committee recommend that the Full Board of Commissioners concur in the 1976/77 Contract Amendments as ratified by a) Registered Nurses, Health Department; b) Employees represented by the Detroit Building Trades Council (Carpenters, Electricians, Painters, Plumbers, Carpenter-Helper); c) Employees represented by the International Union of Operating Engineers (Licensed Boiler Operator-Maintenance 1st Class Refrigeration, Licensed Boiler Operator-Maintenance 2nd Class Refrigeration, Licensed Boiler Operator-Maintenance 3rd Class Refrigeration, and Boiler Operator-Maintenance) respectively.

Mr. Zacharzewski reviewed, in depth, the contract amendments for each of the above units (details of same will be contained within the minutes of the meeting (retained in the Commissioners Office only) rather than this brief report). It was emphasized that the basic salary increase for all three units is 5.5% in 1976, retroactive to January 1, 1976 and 4.5% as of January 1, 1977. In the case of part-time Registered Nurses effective January 1, 1976, daily rate will be increased by 5% only and effective January 1, 1977 increased by 4\$ only. A five-year retirement improvement program was also explained as part of the agreement.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DE GRENDEL, SUPPORTED BY MC CARTHY, TO CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR IN THE 1976/1977 CONTRACT AGREEMENTS AS RATIFIED BY A) REGISTERED NURSES, HEALTH DEPARTMENT; B) EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS. MOTION CARRIED WITH ONE ABSTENTION (SEE EXPLANATION BELOW)

Commissioner Caruso advised of abstaining on that portion of the vote pertaining to the Building Trades Contract while voting "yes" on the Registered Nurses and Operating Engineers portions. Commissioner Caruso said while he is certain there is no conflict of interest, he would prefer casting his vote in this manner.

CHILD CARE FUND PLAN FOR BUDGET

Mr. Shore explained this matter is before the Budget Committee upon recommendation of the Judiciary & Public Safet Committee. It is due in the State of Michigan by June 30, 1976. Controller Shore referred to the material mailed to committee and noted the Child Care Budget as prepared includes increased levels as recommended by the State of Michigan which was about 12½% for institutional costs. The salary contingency contained therein is predicated basically in what this committee approved

today. The budgetary period was modified to fit the State's fiscal year and conform to same. The program represents about 50/50 match with the State.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY S. SABAUGH, SUPPORTED BY PLUTTER, TO CONCUR IN THE COUNTY CONTROLLER'S RECOMMENDATION AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE CHILD CARE FUND PLAN AS PREPARED BY THE CONTROLLER FOR SUBMISSION TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Caruso, supported by Franchuk, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 A.M. Motion carried.

Michael J. Walsh, Chairman

Sandra K. Pietrzniak, Committee
Reporter

Commissioner Caruso referred back to the Finance Committee report of June 8, wherein he made a motion to grant Sheriff Almstadt and Commissioners Walsh and Gavin's recent travel requests. This motion or recommendation, Commissioner Caruso continued, was not listed in the report. The Chairman concurred and indicated he also recalls the motion which must have inadvertently been left out of the report.

Motion was then made by Caruso, that the Board of Commissioners concur in the travel requests, as submitted, by Sheriff Almstadt and Commissioners Walsh and Gavin. Motion supported by Franchuk. Ayes all and the motion carried.

APPOINTMENT
COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 19

Applications for appointment to County Commissioner-District 19 vacancy were received from Elizabeth M. Slinde, B. Eugene Love and Denny L. Robinson.

Motion was made by Trombley, supported by Tarnowski, that the Board received, filed and vote on the three aforementioned applications for appointment to County Commissioner-District 19 vacancy. Ayes all, motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Myslakowski - Slinde; R. Sabaugh - Robinson; S. Sabaugh - Robinson; Walsh - Slinde; Dane - Slinde; McCarthy - Slinde; Gavin - Slinde; Caruso - Slinde; Plutter - Slinde; DeGrendel - Slinde; Franchuk - Slinde; Trombley - Slinde; Daner - Slinde; Bedard - Slinde; Grove - Love; Tarnowski - Slinde; Back - Love; VanderPutten - Slinde; Tomlinson - Slinde; Johnson - Slinde; VerKuilen - Slinde.

The votes cast were: Slinde - 18; Love - 2; Robinson - 2. Ms Elizabeth M. Slinde was appointed.

Commissioner Daner stated, being the only other woman on the Board of Commissioners, she would like to welcome Betty and congratulate the Board in making this unbiased and unprejudicial choice of appointing a woman to the membership.

Motion was made by Daner, that Ms. Slinde's appointment to the Board of Commissioners be made unanimous. Motion supported by Johnson. Ayes all and motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner VanderPutten requested Robert Nyovich be allowed at this time, to bring the Board of Commissioners up to date on Substitute Senate Bill 1375.

Mr. Nyovich reviewed the contents of the Bill as passed by the Senate Appropriations Committee and Senate yesterday. He also mentioned several of the stipulations included in the Bill: SEMTA funds are not to be used for a subway system; the SEMTA Board membership was increased from 15 to 21 members, two of which are appointed by the Macomb County Board of Commissioners; SEMCOG shall have two appointments to the Board as also does the Governor; as a method of financing SEMTA, a \$4.00 addition to the license plate fee is to be collected on vehicles within the 7 county area composing SEMTA. These funds, as collected, are to be used as matching funds in federal grants providing public transportation services only. Mr. Nyovich advised that he telephoned the Senate Clerk to verify if these amendments were passed and was informed by the Clerk that he wasn't sure as there was much debate, and would return his call.

Commissioner Caruso indicated concern that the Bill states the County's SEMTA membership remains at two although the entire Board's membership was increased from 15 to 21. He objected very strongly to this and asked Mr. Nyovich who pushed this Bill and its amendments.

Mr. Nyovich replied it was pushed by various legislators. He then reviewed the make-up of the SEMTA Board: 4 members appointed by the Mayor of Detroit; 4 members appointed by Wayne County Board of Commissioners; 2 members appointed by Macomb County Board of Commissioners; 3 members appointed by Oakland County Board of Commissioners; 1 member each appointed by St. Clair, Washtenaw, Monroe and Livingston County Boards of Commissioners; 2 members appointed by the Governor and 2 members appointed by SEMCOG.

Commissioner Caruso, understanding this new formula, then agreed it was fair.

Commissioner Tomlinson praised Chairman VerKuilen's recent correspondence on this matter to the Governor and Representatives. He then asked Mr. Nyovich if a population shift within the 7 county SEMTA organization would change its membership.

Mr. Nyovich stated he didn't know, but would check this possible situation out.

Commissioner Tomlinson stated that this County isn't going to get everything we want for it but this compromise or substitute bill sounds better.

Commissioner Gavin said this Bill is a product of Bill Huffman from Oakland County. The Commissioner advised of receiving a telephone call from Lansing yesterday and was informed that Detroit didn't oppose. Detroit and Representative Ryan are unhappy now that Detroit only has 4 of the 21 seats. This is heresy, that the House Urban Affairs Committee (which Ryan is Chairman) will possibly make a few changes to this Bill. Commissioner Gavin advised that he was pleased with the Senate version as it is now. We won't get subways or D-DOT (Detroit Department of Transportation) employees. This is a suburban bill. 2 out of 21 (members) sounds worse than 2 out of 15, but it's not.

Commissioner Back stated the Board of Commissioners should take some action to let the people and our representatives know how we feel on this. Take a positive opinion here now. We don't have the luxury of time on this. Population shift thing is very important.

Chairman VerKuilen advised that Mr. Nyovich has given all the highlights of this Bill as he is now aware. Copies of Substitute Senate Bill 1375 were passed out for review by the Board.

Commissioner Back reiterated that the legislators should be let know the Board's opinion on this Bill. When the census is again taken and the population shifts, there should be a provision in the Bill for this.

Chairman VerKuilen asked if it was the feeling then that the reapportionment of the SEMTA Board should go along with the one man one vote theory and the membership reflect accordingly.

Commissioner Bedard and Back called for a 5 minute recess to study the contents of the Bill.

After the recess, Commissioner Myslakowski spoke on the proposed \$4.00 license plate increase. He stated he learned the other day that 50% of the taxes go into the general fund and not the repair and maintenance of roads.

The Chairman corrected the Commissioner and advised that only the sales tax on gasoline goes into the general fund and this is according to State law.

Commissioner Myslakowski asked then why sales tax monies couldn't be earmarked for roads throughout the State. He indicated he was very much opposed to the \$4.00 addition to license plates. The wool is being pulled over our eyes.

Chairman VerKuilen advised that the sales tax money is also used for other areas such as schools...it couldn't be earmarked for one purpose and abandon all the others.

Commissioner Myslakowski believed that those who use the highways and automobiles should have their tax money used for maintenance of the roads and those that use the rapid transit system should pay that way.

Commissioner Tomlinson stated we're down to the wire on this. I'm not thrilled either about the \$4.00 license plate addition, but this is better than what was previously proposed. A possible population shift is important and we should take positive action. Yes, we agree, but are concerned with 1980 census figures and the fact the legislature will change. We are troubled and concerned about this.

A motion was made by Tomlinson, that the Board of Commissioners go on record in concurrence with the concept of Substitute Senate Bill 1375 as explained this morning by Mr. Nyovich and passed by the Senate Appropriations Committee, and also look into the possibility and ramifications of the inclusion of a provision regarding a population shift within said area. Motion supported by Trombley and carried with Commissioners R. Sabaugh, S. Sabaugh, Myslakowski, Walsh, Tarnowski, Caruso and Franchuk voting "no".

Commissioner R. Sabaugh wished to comment on his no vote. He stated that the Board of Commissioners has gone on record for a tax increase without a vote of the people. Approval of this Bill means exactly that. Commissioner Sabaugh read a section of the Bill. The 8.3% limitation on State spending means this tax increase will be part of it and taken from somewhere else in the County.

Commissioner Tomlinson said the quote read by Commissioner Sabaugh refers to the subway thing. Anytime we bond for drains by selling bonds and default, the taxpayers pay them off.

Commissioner Walsh stated, on these taxes we obligate ourselves too and what we are doing now benefits people of the city of Detroit. There's no correlation between these things.

Commissioner McHenry believed this Board should also look after senior citizens and students traveling the roads. This County should have some input on that authority.

Commissioner Gavin said we're talking about the creation of jobs and turning people who are not working into better taxpayers. Commissioner Gavin stated he would like to see that federal money come in here to the benefit of the people.

Commissioner Back said debate should be made prior to the vote, not after. Any statement made in affect to a vote should be made before. Commissioner Back continued, we were totally opposed to the prior wording of this Bill. We have a responsibility as elected officials to come up with an alternative plan. Let's call a special Board meeting for Friday morning then if Mr. Nyovich's report is not to our liking. We've already hinged on taxes... let's be positive in our actions or legislation. Let's come up with alternative programs.

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The Chairamn met with various legislators regarding this same thing and reflected the feelings of the Board of Commissioners. Those things that provide services and additional jobs we're always inconsistent about and refer to taxpayers...Just because you're against an increase in taxes, you must also look to the merits of a Bill or piece of legislation.

Commissioner Tomlinson strongly advised that the vote was already taken, the discussion not ceases.

Chairman VerKuilen stated, we sat here, all of us. We've got senior citizens, handicapped persons and children going to jobs and school. We want a tax that's equitable to everyone.

Commissioner Grove in answer to several Commissioners advised that he has gone to Lansing and reflected this Board's views on various matters at the direction of the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Tomlinson again strongly urged that the meeting continue with the business at hand.

Commissioner Johnson advised that the Macomb County American Revolution Bicentennial Commission at the request of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission is participating in a bell ringing service to be held at 2:00 P.M. on July 4. In a national service, the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia will be rung for 2 minutes at that same time. Motion was made by Johnson that Macomb County participate in said bell ringing service on July 4 and all units of government within the County be so notified and invited to participate. Motion supported by McCarthy. Ayes all and motion carried.

Commissioner Myslakowski read a quote from the current issue of The Macomb Daily where the Board of Commissioners were inaccurately assessed as the major factor for the tax problem recently existing between the State, County and schools. It was Commissioner Myslakowski's belief that the Chairman should address correspondence to that newspaper's editor regarding this misinformation.

The Chairman advised he was preparing a statement and will accurately assess what has happened regarding this Boards' appeal and the treatment received by the schools.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by Dane, supported by McCarthy, that the meeting adjourn, subject to the call of the Chairman. Ayes all and motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M.


ROBERT A. VERKUILEN, CHAIRMAN


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