

## MINUTES

### KALAMAZOO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

OCTOBER 20, 2015

PLACE: Room 207A, County Administration Building

TIME: 4:06 p.m. – 10:07 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners John Gisler, Jeff Heppler, Scott McGraw, Stephanie Moore, Larry Provancher, Julie Rogers, Michael Seals, Dale Shugars, John Taylor, Roger Tuinier and Kevin Wordelman

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: John Faul, Thom Canny, Tracie Moored, Mary Balkema, Kelly Clarke, Pat Crowley, Jeff Getting, Lisa Bradshaw, Terra Mickolatcher, Tim Snow, Kristine Cunningham, Dina Sutton

Chairman Taylor convened the Committee of the Whole at 4:06 p.m.

#### 1. Land Bank Authority Interviews

The Board introduced themselves and interviewed the following candidates:

- Michael Collins
- Pam Jackson
- Angela Brown
- Carl Roberts
- Elisheva Johnson
- Alberta (Berta) Griffin

Chairman Taylor inquired of the Board who they wished to be appointed to the Land Bank.

Commissioner Gisler stated he was quite impressed with the candidates.

Commissioner Rogers reviewed the interview process and was confused why the applicant deadline was extended.

Chairman Taylor stated the Land Bank requested to expand the application deadline so the Board Appointment Committee voted 2 to 1 to expand the deadline.

Commissioner McGraw stated Mike Collins was a good candidate and should be reappointed. He also stated he supported Berta Griffin or Carl Roberts.

Commissioner Tuinier stated he was impressed with Berta Griffin as well as Carl Roberts. He stated he wasn't opposed to reappointing Mike Collins.

Commissioner Seals stated he liked Berta Griffin and Tom Kostrzewa.

Commissioner Provancher stated he was impressed with Carl Roberts, Berta Griffin and Tom Kostrzewa.

Discussion ensued.

By show of hands Ms. Alberta Griffin and Mr. Carl Roberts would be appointed to the Land Bank Authority under New Business tonight.

2. Review of Transfers and Disbursements

Ms. Tracie Moored, Finance Director stated claims for October 20, 2015 totaled \$2,221,844.44. She indicated there were a number of departmental year end budget adjustments.

3. Report on Transit Transfer Agreement

Ms. Linda Teeter, Chair, Kalamazoo County Transportation Authority (KCTA) and Central County Transportation Authority (CCTA) provided the Board with an update on the Transit Transfer Agreement. She stated the City of Kalamazoo unanimously approved the Transfer Agreement.

Mr. Sean McBride, Executive Director, distributed a Summary of the Comprehensive Transition Agreement and reviewed such document.

Commissioner Moore inquired about transferring those city employees with felony convictions and Mr. McBride stated they would be employees of CCTA.

Chairman Taylor stated he was very impressed that this was finally coming to fruition. He inquired about the bargaining units. Mr. McBride indicated there were three bargaining units currently, and those contracts would be assumed.

Commissioner Rogers inquired what, if any working changes would occur and Ms. Teeter stated she felt the relationships would remain similar, if not the same.

Commissioner Gisler thanked Ms. Teeter for her hard work and dedication.

4. Corporate Counsel Evaluation

Chairman Taylor stated the summary of Mr. Canny's evaluations were distributed to the Board.

Mr. Canny stated he read all of the evaluations and stated there were areas identified in which improvement could be made and he would work on those. He thanked the Board for their positive comments and support.

The rest of the discussion would be held during closed session.

5. Commissioner Agenda Request Process

Chairman Taylor stated he was asking the Board to bring requests to the Board Leadership concerning projects or time consuming requests before asking staff for that information.

Commissioner Shugars inquired who made the request.

Chairman Taylor stated it was stemming from the requests for data concerning the relocation of HCS. He stated there had been a request made of staff to prepare cost allocations, which would have been very time consuming.

Ms. Moored offered to meet with Commissioner Shugars.

Discussion ensued.

6. Fraud & Abuse Committee Report

Chairman Taylor indicated this would be done during Executive Session.

7. Any other items

There were no other items.

8. Executive Session

Commissioner Seals moved and it was duly seconded that the Board of Commissioners, go into a closed session pursuant to Section 8 (h) of the Open Meetings Act to review and discuss and attorney-client privileged legal opinion dated October 20, 2015, issued by the Kalamazoo County Labor Counsel and to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of the Corporate Counsel who requested the closed session.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: All members present  
Nays: None  
Abstains: None  
Absent: None

The motion carried.

9. Adjournment – no later than 6 p.m.

The Committee recessed at 7:07 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Taylor adjourned the meeting at 10:07 p.m.

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John Taylor, Chairman  
Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners