

# MINUTES

## BUDGET/AUDIT COMMITTEE

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111 S. Michigan Ave., Room 200, Saginaw, MI 48602

**Thursday, January 11, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Jack Tany – Vice-Chair, Tracey Slodowski, Rich Spitzer, Christopher Boyd  
Absent: Dennis Krafft – Chair  
Others: Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Dennis Harris, Michael Webster, Sheldon Matthews, Gerald Little, Mark Piotrowski, Tony DePelsMaeker, Dennis Borchard, Lacey Ziola, Dan Armentrout, Eric McGlothlin, Christina Harrington, Jennifer Broadfoot, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Catherine Hicks, Marissa Sawdon, Suzy Koeplinger and others

- I. Call to Order ---***Tany at 4:00 p.m.***
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (***December 7, 2023***)  
---***Moved by Boyd, seconded by Slodowski. Motion carried.***
- IV. Public Comment ---***None***
  - *Speakers limited to 3 minutes*
- V. Agenda
  1. **Tony DePelsMaeker, Maintenance Director, re:**
    - **1-16-11** Requesting approval of up to \$275,000 to be allocated from the Public Improvement Fund for relocation of Circuit Court Probation from 1931 Bagley to 618 Cass Street  
---***Moved by Spitzer, seconded by Boyd, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)***
    - **1-16-15** Requesting approval of up to \$52,000 to replace two (2) oversized 25 horsepower booster pumps with properly sized 10 horsepower booster pumps to remedy over-pressurization problems at the Jail  
---***Moved by Spitzer, seconded by Slodowski, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)***
  2. **Dennis Borchard, Managing Director, Lacey Ziola, Finance & Benefits Director, Road Commission, and Eric McGlothlin, Dickson Wright PLLC, re:**
    - **1-16-12** Submitting a Resolution requesting Saginaw County issue general limited tax bonds for Road Commission facilities to not exceed the amount of \$17,000,000  
---***Moved by Boyd, seconded by Slodowski, to approve. Motion carried. (Res. 2024 – 2)***
  3. **Koren Thurston, Finance Director, and Chris Harrington, Health Director, re:**
    - **1-16-13** - Vendor Transactions Dec. 1 – 31, 2023 \$6,148,923.68  
---***Moved by Spitzer, seconded by Slodowski, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)***

**Referred to committee from the December 19, 2023 Board Session:**

- Discussion and approval of the county's General Fund Maintenance of Effort contribution to the Health Department increase of \$199,148 from the current budgeted amount of \$1,600,000  
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Slodowski, to approve the MoE formula. Motion carried.**  
---**Moved by Spitzer, seconded by Boyd, to approve the \$199,148 increase in budget.**  
(Board Report)

~~4. **Honorable Chief Judge Julie A. Gafkay, re:**~~

~~**Postponed from the December 7, 2023 Budget/Audit Committee:**~~

- ~~▪ Discussion of hiring the equivalent of two (2) full-time deputies (4 part-time deputies at 20 – 25 hours/week) in Circuit Court *(Information to be provided)*~~

**Per Judge Gafkay, postpone to February Budget/Audit Committee meeting**

5. ~~**Blair Stevenson, Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, re:**~~

~~**Referral from Courts & Public Safety Committee:**~~

- To amend the Prosecutor's Office FY 2024 Budget by \$185,000 as new revenue (\$100,000 from MDHHS and \$85,000 from City of Saginaw) and to use existing funds for APA and staff raises in the Prosecutor's Office  
---**Moved by Spitzer, seconded by Slodowski, to approve. Motion carried with an abstention from Boyd. (Board Report)**

VI. Miscellaneous ---**Chairman Boyd referenced an MLive article that spoke of the Buena vista demolition project and stated we need to take action as a board to resolve this matter.**

VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Slodowski, seconded by Spitzer, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 5:15 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jack Tany, Committee Vice-Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk