

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Monday, June 5, 2017 at 9:15 a.m.  
MINUTES



CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Courts called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.



ROLL CALL

**Roll Call.**

**Present:** Nolden, Clack, Ellenburg, Courts, Young, Shapiro, Cousineau, Henry, Martin.



MINUTES – May 15, 2017

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the May 15, 2017 Finance Committee meeting as presented

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Henry, **Seconded by** Nolden.

Motion passed unanimously.



PUBLIC COMMENT TO COMMITTEE

None



COMMUNICATIONS

None



OLD BUSINESS –

A. FA060517VIA: REGISTER OF DEEDS – Request to increase the salary of Chief Deputy to that of former Chief Deputy and for retroactive pay of lost salary and retirement contributions incurred from 11/21/16 to current pay period – Attached

**Motion:** to increase the salary of Chief Deputy to that of former Chief Deputy and for retroactive pay of lost salary and retirement contributions incurred from 11/21/16 to current pay period

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Shapiro, **Seconded by** Henry.

Commissioner Young asked if we could get the information from HR regarding the requested information asked for through our labor attorney.

Anita Galajda, HR advised that the opinion states that we are requesting an answer from MERC. Our labor attorney asked for us to wait for that answer.

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Ellenburg feels that this should be postponed until we have all this information.

Celeste Bell, Corporation Counsel advised that you would amend the current motion on the floor. Motion would state wait until receive findings from MERC.

Commissioner Shapiro asked how long we expect the answer to take. Anita said there is no way to determine how long that will take, we are just waiting on an answer.

Discussion ensued.

**Motion:** To wait until Board receives the findings from MERC.

**Action:** Approve **Moved by** Ellenburg, **Seconded by** Martin.

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Shapiro advised that he would be willing to accept the friendly amendment to his motion if they are willing to put a cap on this of three months and in that time there is not a decision from MERC, the Board would take action on this item.

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Shapiro did not accept as a friendly amendment

Commissioner Shapiro wanted to state for the record that there is information that has already been provided to the Board in regards to this issue, a legal opinion from Corporation Counsel originally and another legal opinion from Clarke Hill, so to say that there is no data to act on at this point, I think is a false narrative. There is, I just think the Board is not willing to accept the two opinions that we already have.

Commissioner Young as a point for the record stated that there are conflicting opinions by the legal experts that is why we are waiting for clarification. Unfortunately I think we all wish we could resolve this quicker than later.

Chairperson Courts advised that the vote will be on the amended motion of Commissioner Ellenburg to wait until we receive the MERC hearing results.

**Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 7, No = 2, Abstain = 0).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Young.

**No:** Cousineau, Shapiro.

Discussion ensued.

Now voting on the actual amended motion

**Motion:** to post vote on item A pending receiving the MERC hearing findings

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ellenburg, **Seconded by** Martin.

**Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 7, No = 2, Abstain = 0).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Young.

**No:** Cousineau, Shapiro.



## NEW BUSINESS



A. FA060517VIIA: Animal Control: Request approval to accept reimbursement check for the Bissell "Empty the Shelters" Grant – Attached

**Motion:** To request approval to accept reimbursement check for the Bissell "Empty the Shelters" Grant

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Young, **Seconded by** Nolden.

Motion passed unanimously.



B. FA060517VIIB: GCCARD: Request approval to create, post, and fill one (1) GCCARD Nutrition Services Program Specialist position – Attached

**Motion:** To request approval to create, post, and fill one (1) GCCARD Nutrition Services Program Specialist position

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Ellenburg.

Motion passed unanimously.



C. FA060517VIIC: GCCARD: Request approval to create, post and fill two (2) Clerical Assistant positions – Attached (**ROLL CALL VOTE REQUESTED**)

**Motion:** To request approval to create, post and fill two (2) Clerical Assistant positions

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Clack.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 9).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Cousineau, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.



D. FA060517VIID: GCCARD: Request approval to create, post and fill one (1) Senior Stock Clerk position – Attached (**ROLL CALL VOTE REQUESTED**)

**Motion:** To request approval to create, post and fill one (1) Senior Stock Clerk position

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Henry.

Commissioner Young made a friendly amendment to allow items D, E and F to vote on together

**Motion:** to vote on items D, E and F together

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Young, **Seconded by** Nolden.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 9).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Cousineau, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.

E. FA060517VIIE: GCCARD: Request approval to create, post and fill five (5) Part-time temporary Kitchen Aide positions – Attached (**ROLL CALL VOTE REQUESTED**)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote

F. FA060517VIIF: GCCARD: Request approval to create, post and fill seven (7) Part-time temporary Transportation Aide positions – Attached (**ROLL CALL VOTE REQUESTED**)

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote



G. FA060517VIIG: Human Resources: Request to approve the Parks and Recreation to staff the Administration Building Public Parking lot – Attached

**Motion:** To approve the Parks and Recreation to staff the Administration Building Public Parking lot

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ellenburg, **Seconded by** Nolden.

Discussion ensued.

Chairman Courts advised that there will be a Roll call vote.

**Motion:** to amend original motion to approve the Parks and Recreation to staff the Administration Building Public Parking lot for 120 days

**Action:** Approve **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Ellenburg.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 9).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Cousineau, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.



H. FA060517VIIH: Information Technology Department: Request approval to realign personnel position – Attached

**Motion:** To Request approval to realign personnel position

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Young, **Seconded by** Ellenburg.

Motion passed unanimously.



I. FA060517VIII: Medical Examiner's Office: Request approval to increase County appropriation in the amount of \$74,000.00 - Attached (**ROLL CALL VOTE REQUESTED**)

**Motion:** To request approval to increase County appropriation in the amount of \$74,000.00

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ellenburg, **Seconded by** Nolden.

Commissioner Ellenburg ask for explanation for the increase from Dr. Hunter

Discussion ensued.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 9).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Cousineau, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.



J. FA060517VIJ: Medical Examiner's Office: Request approval to transfer Money from 0867 Morgue Fees to a new objet, Morgue Operations – Attached (**ROLL CALL VOTE REQUESTED**)

**Motion:** To Request approval to transfer money from 0867 Morgue Fees to a new objet, Morgue Operations

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Young, **Seconded by** Henry.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 9).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Cousineau, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.



K. FA060517VIK: Office of the Sheriff: Request to purchase a closed-circuit System for the Genesee County Jail to monitor the jail operations, both inside and outside the building – Attached

**Motion:** to purchase a closed-circuit System for the Genesee County Jail to monitor the jail operations, both inside and outside the building

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Ellenburg.

Commissioner Ellenburg asked Undersheriff Swanson how soon these cameras would be installed.

Discussion ensued.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 9).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Cousineau, Ellenburg, Henry, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.



L. FA060517VILL: Parks Commission: Request approval of a 10% shift Premium for Seasonal Park Rangers – Attached

**Motion:** To approval of a 10% shift Premium for Seasonal Park Rangers

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Clack.

Commissioner Henry stated he just struggles with part-time employees getting another benefit. He cannot support this.

Commissioner Martin stated that the incentive is very worth while

**Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 8, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

**Yes:** Clack, Courts, Cousineau, Ellenburg, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.

**No:** Henry.



M. FA060517VIIM: Prosecutor: Request a new paralegal position be created in the Prosecutor's Office with immediate effect – Attached

**Motion:** To request a new paralegal position be created in the Prosecutor's Office with immediate effect

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Henry, **Seconded by** Clack.

Motion passed unanimously.



N. FA060517VIIN: Register of Deeds: Request \$2,000 budget amendment for overtime in fiscal year 2016/2017 (101.2364 Register of Deeds) – Attached

**Motion:** To request \$2,000 budget amendment for overtime in fiscal year 2016/2017 (101.2364 Register of Deeds)

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Shapiro, **Seconded by** Martin.

Discussion ensued.

Motion passed unanimously



## OTHER BUSINESS

None

## ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Courts adjourned The Finance Committee meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Transcribed by:  
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