

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Emmet County Finance Committee was held on Monday, May 10, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in the Controller's conference room.

Commissioners present: Daniel Plasencia, Acting Chairman  
Thomas Shier, Vice-chairman  
Leroy Gregory

Excused absence: None

Staff present: Cynthia Van Allen, Finance Director  
Lyn Johnson, Controller  
Michele Stine, Register of Deeds

Guests: Dennis Cross, Petoskey Title Agency, Inc.  
Dale Hull, Blissfest

Commissioner Plasencia was established as acting Chairman until the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners can appoint a Chairman.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved the minutes of the April 12, 2010 meeting.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved for payment all committee and travel vouchers presented.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion that the Finance Committee recommend approval for payment of the May finance claims in the amount of \$9,856,757.46. Commissioner Shier seconded the motion. By voice vote the May finance claims were unanimously approved for recommendation to the full Board.

Mr. Johnson let the Committee know that Ms. May, Emmet County Treasurer, let the Personnel Committee know that there will be \$196,422.47 available when the 2005 delinquent tax fund is closed. Commissioner Shier moved to recommend to the Board that \$50,000.00 of this amount be used to fund the Land Bank Authority, \$46,422.47 be allocated to the Housing Council and that the remaining \$100,000.00 be added to the Special Projects/Budget Stabilization Fund. Commissioner Gregory seconded the motion. By unanimous voice vote this proposal will be recommended to the Board.

The Committee reviewed the proposed ballot language for the senior and the ambulance millages.

The Committee approved changing the June Finance Committee meeting to 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2010. Personnel has already agreed to hold their June meeting at 3:00 p.m. on the same day.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve a resolution in support of an application by Blissfest for a Community Development Block Grant for energy savings and building improvements on their property. Commissioner Plasencia seconded the motion. The vote was two in favor and one opposed so the recommendation will be made to the Board.

Ms. Van Allen let the Committee know that the Board will be asked for authorization for the Chairman to sign a State of Michigan grant for \$24,100.00 to support the County's Community Corrections program.

Commissioner Shier made a motion to support collection of 100% of the \$6,165.00 debt owed to the Register of Deeds by Petoskey Title Agency, Inc. by November 30, 2010. Commissioner Gregory seconded the motion. By unanimous voice vote the collection will be pursued.

Ms. Stine agreed to provide information to Mr. Cross in support of the current fee structure.

Mr. Johnson reviewed with the Committee his current projections for the General Fund 2010 revenues and expenditures and discussed his recommendations for 2011.

Mr. Johnson let the committee know that he has been approached by Griffin Arena for lease modifications. There is an amendment that would make it easier for them to refinance, they would like to be able to host non-skating events for additional revenue and they would like to be able to assign the lease upon sale of the facility. Mr. Johnson was instructed to work with the Arena owners to effect these changes for Board approval since the Committee had no objections.