

MINUTES

Committee of the Whole

County of Saginaw
Board of Commissioners
2020 Strategic Planning Session
September 16, 2020
Horizons Conference Center
6200 State St., Saginaw, MI 48603

Present: Carl Ruth – CoW Chairman, Michael Webster – Chairman, Kathy Dwan, Cheryl Hadsall, Sheldon Matthews, Dennis Krafft, Kirk Kilpatrick, Chuck Stack, Amos O’Neal
Absent: James Theisen, Kyle Harris
Others: Robert Belleman, Dave Gilbert, Cindy Louchart, Suzy Koepplinger, Blair Stevenson, Trent Boyd, Jack Tany, Dr. Sam Shaheen, Dr. George Kikano, Norm Bamberger, Lee Ann Peterson

I. Call To Order---**Carl Ruth at 4:10 p.m.**

II. Welcome

III. Public Comments---

- **Blair Stevenson, Assistant Prosecutor, spoke to commissioners about the hardship of finding 4.21% to cut from the Prosecutor’s Budget. Support staff are crying, working through lunch, coming in on weekends, and there aren’t enough people available for arraignments. The Prosecutor has found \$63,000 in revenue (\$38,000 from Animal Care & Control and \$25,000 billed to municipalities) and he heard counties were not losing revenue sharing. Mr. Stevenson provided information on grant funding through MDHHS. A \$220,000+ reduction to the Prosecutor’s budget would account for three (3) administrative positions. The Prosecutor wants to keep the office whole, as all staff is vital to the process.**

IV. Presentations: *To be determined* 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

---**Discussion of budget shortfall for the Prosecutor’s office, which may create loss of positions within the office. The Controller advised that ACC has not signed off on \$38,000 – this could be impacted by the budget/millage. (Information on file)**

---**Dr. Shaheen and Dr. Kikano presented information regarding the impact of CMU School of Medicine on the community including a new facility, additional housing and long term planning for the health department. (Information on file)**

---**Norm Bamberger and Lee Ann Peterson gave a presentation on health care. (Information on file)**

V. Dinner 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

VI. Discussion/Goal Setting 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

---**Discussion included review of strategic planning goals from 2018 which included impact on quality of life and safety in the community; use of fund balance/general fund balance; funding for MSUE, SFI, and SCCMHA; job loss due to budget cuts; impact of raises as a result of the compensation study; employee/retiree health insurance; and impact of pandemic on budget.**

VII. Adjournment---***Adjourned at 7:46 p.m.***

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk
Carl E. Ruth, Committee Chair

Note: Upon completion of discussion, only motions to refer to an organized committee or to postpone indefinitely shall be allowed - Article IX, Section 9.5, and 2020 Board Rules.