

# PROPOSED

## JOURNAL OF THE COMMISSION

### CHARTER COUNTY OF WAYNE

#### STATE OF MICHIGAN

#### NO. 18

#### SPECIAL MEETING

#### EQUALIZATION SESSION

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#### ELEVENTH DAY

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Commission Chamber, Room 400, 4th Floor, Wayne County Building, Detroit, Michigan

Thursday, August 21, 2008

10:00 a.m.

The Commission was called to order by the Chair of the Commission, Jewel Ware at 10:01 a.m.

The roll of the Commission was requested by the Acting Clerk of the Commission, Joyua A. Bouldes:

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| <b>Bell</b>      | - present    | <b>Leland</b>   | - excused | <b>Williams</b>  | - present |
| <b>Blackwell</b> | - excused    | <b>McNamara</b> | - present | <b>Woronchak</b> | - present |
| <b>Bowman</b>    | - present    | <b>Palamara</b> | - present | <b>Cox</b>       | - present |
| <b>Cavanagh</b>  | - 10:08 a.m. | <b>Parker</b>   | - present | <b>Boike</b>     | - present |
| <b>Killeen</b>   | - 10:03 a.m. | <b>Varga</b>    | - present | <b>Ware</b>      | - present |

11 present, a quorum

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## INVOCATION

The Acting Clerk of the Commission introduced Reverend Scott Benjamin, Pastor of Resurrection Lutheran Church, who in turn gave the following invocation:

“A reading from Psalm 139. Oh Lord You have searched me as You know me. You know when I sit and when I rise. You proceed my thoughts afar. You discern my going out and my lying down. You are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue You know it completely. Oh Lord You hem me in behind and before. You have laid Your hands upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me and too lofty for me to maintain. Where can I go from Your spirit? Where can I flee from Your presence? If I go up to the heavens You are there. If I make my bed in the depths You are there. If I rise in the wings of the dawn or if I settle at the far side of the sea even there Your hand will guide me. Your right hand will hold me fast. We pray. Almighty God You have given us this good land as our heritage. Grant that we remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry and truthful education and honorable way of life. Bless the leaders of our land that we may be a people at peace amongst ourselves and a blessing to others. Save us from violence, discord and confusion, from pride and arrogance and from every evil course of action. Grant that we who come from many nations with many different languages may become a united people. Support us in defending our liberties and give those to whom we have entrusted the authority in government especially the County Commissioners, the spirit of wisdom that there may be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous may our hearts be thankful and in troubled times do not let our trust in you fail. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

## SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- A. A public hearing on the proposed 2008-2009 Appropriations and Budget Ordinance is scheduled this date, Thursday, August 21, 2008 as required by the “Truth-In Budgeting Act”. A notice has been published as required which includes the following statement: “The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be subject of this hearing”.

Note: The proposed millage for 2008-2009 is 7.8220 mills against the 2008 State Taxable Value.

**Commissioner Parker, supported by Commissioner McNamara, moved to open the required public hearing on foregoing item A.**

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## **The Commissioners voted as follows:**

Yea -- Commissioners Bell, Bowman, Killeen, McNamara, Palamara, Parker, Varga, Williams, Woronchak, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Cox, Vice-Chair Boike, Chairwoman Ware -- 12  
Nay -- None  
Abstain -- None  
Not Voting -- Commissioner Cavanagh -- 1  
Excused -- Commissioners Blackwell, Leland -- 2

At this point in the proceedings Chairwoman Ware requested comments from the public. Jacklyn Sledge with the Absence and Prevention Agency gave remarks.

Following public comments, **Commissioner Parker, supported by Commissioner Bell, moved to close the public hearing.**

## **The Commissioners voted as follows:**

Yea -- Commissioners Bell, Bowman, Cavanagh, Killeen, McNamara, Palamara, Parker, Varga, Williams, Woronchak, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Cox, Vice-Chair Boike, Chairwoman Ware -- 13  
Nay -- None  
Abstain -- None  
Not Voting -- None  
Excused -- Commissioners Blackwell, Leland -- 2

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Pursuant to the County Commission's Rules of Procedure, Chairwoman Ware invited comments from the public. There were no public comments.

## **RESOLUTIONS IN MEMORIAM**

1. By Commissioner Ware in memory of **Stephanie Tubbs-Jones**, U.S. Representative.

**Chairwoman Ware requested all to stand for a moment of silence in honor of the foregoing individual, following which she declared the Resolutions in Memoriam adopted.**

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## **RECONSIDERATIONS**

As no other business was presented, **Chairwoman Ware** thereupon requested a **Quorum Call**, and the **Acting Clerk** of the **Commission** reported that the following **Commissioners** were in attendance:

**PRESENT:**     **Commissioners Bell, Bowman, Cavanagh, Killeen, McNamara, Palamara, Parker, Varga, Williams, Woronchak, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Cox, Vice-Chair Boike, Chairwoman Ware -- 13**

**EXCUSED:**     **Commissioners Blackwell, Leland -- 2**

A quorum being present, **Commissioner Parker**, supported by **Commissioner Bell**, moved adjournment. The motion prevailed, the time being 10:11 a.m., and **Chairwoman Ware** declared the **Commission** adjourned until **Thursday, September 4, 2008**.

Joyua A. Bouldes  
Acting Clerk of the Commission

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