



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY FINANCE & BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
1:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll. Committee members Miller, Gallagher, Germana, Schron, Jones and Greenspan were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmember Brady was also in attendance. Committee member Simon was absent.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 17, 2012 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Greenspan, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2012 meeting.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

No public comments were given.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2011-0344: A Resolution reaffirming and approving a reduced dog license fee for spayed and neutered dogs, effective 12/1/2011; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Wade Steen, Fiscal Officer, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2011-0344. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Steen pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Germana with a second by Mr. Greenspan, Resolution No. R2011-0344 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage.

- b) R2012-0014: A Resolution amending the 2011 Annual Appropriation Measure by providing for additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and other funding sources and for appropriation transfers between budget accounts, in order to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments, offices and agencies related to year-end close-out activities, in accordance with Resolution No. R2011-0320, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Matt Rubino, Director of the Office of Budget & Management, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2012-0014. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Rubino pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Greenspan with a second by Mr. Germana, Resolution No. R2012-0014 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage.

- c) R2012-0015: A Resolution approving the appropriation of funds for Year 2012 based on the Statement of Appropriation Status dated 12/31/2011, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Rubino addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2012-0015. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Rubino pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Chairman Miller postponed Resolution No. R2012-0015 from further consideration at this time.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- a) Presentation on 2011 year-end financial status for Cuyahoga County – Wade Steen, Fiscal Officer, and Matt Rubino, Director of the Office of Budget and Management

Mr. Rubino addressed the Committee regarding the 2011 year-end financial status for Cuyahoga County. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Rubino pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- b) Update regarding the preparation of the "People's Budget" summary

Mr. Rubino addressed the Committee regarding the preparation of the "People's Budget," a concise, plain-language, graphically represented summary of the County budget. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Rubino pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- c) Update regarding the progress of research on Reserves Policy

Mr. Steen addressed the Committee regarding the progress of research on Reserves Policy. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Steen pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- d) Discussion and decision regarding the necessity of Finance & Budgeting meeting scheduled for February 6, 2012

Chairman Miller announced that the February 6, 2012 Finance & Budgeting Committee meeting will be held as scheduled.

7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Mr. Germana with a second by Mr. Greenspan, the meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m., without objection.