

**OAKLAND COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES**

December 27, 2007

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Bill Bullard, Jr. at 10:04 a.m. in the Courthouse Auditorium, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, Michigan.

Roll called.

PRESENT: Bullard, Burns, Coulter, Douglas, Gershenson, Gingell, Gosselin, Gregory, Greimel, Kowall, Long, Middleton, Nash, Potter, Potts, Scott, Woodward, Zack. (18)  
EXCUSED ABSENCE WITH NOTICE: Crawford, Hatchett, Jacobsen, Rogers, Spector, Suarez. (6)  
EXCUSED ABSENCE PER MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTION #04228: Coleman. (1)

Quorum present.

Invocation given by David Potts.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved by Gingell supported by Burns the minutes of the December 13, 2007, Board Meeting be approved.

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the minutes were approved as printed.

Moved by Kowall supported by Coulter the agenda be approved as printed.

AYES: Bullard, Burns, Coulter, Douglas, Gershenson, Gingell, Gosselin, Gregory, Greimel, Kowall, Long, Middleton, Nash, Potter, Potts, Scott, Woodward, Zack. (18)  
NAYS: None. (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the agenda was approved as printed.

Deputy County Clerk Connie Spak stated there were no communications.

**MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTION #07188**

BY: General Government Committee, Christine A. Long, Chairperson

**IN RE: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – REQUEST TO EXTEND THE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE OPERATIONS SURCHARGE**

To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners  
Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

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WHEREAS Miscellaneous Resolution #99279 authorized the various telephone companies throughout the County to levy up to four (4%) percent operational surcharge for emergency telephone operations (with the actual levy being \$.57 per wireline, as defined; while the authorized amount could have been up to \$.80 per line) with recognition that the surcharge would expire on December 31, 2006 (the same time as the enabling surcharge legislation); and

WHEREAS Miscellaneous Resolution #06167 extended authorization to collect the operational surcharge at a reduced rate of \$.28 per wireline through December 31, 2007, the date through which the enabling legislation was extended; and

WHEREAS the Michigan Legislature amended the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act and it is now titled the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act, 2007 PA 164 and 2007 PA 165; and

WHEREAS the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act will enable a County Board of Commissioners to authorize an operational surcharge on all wireline telephones through June 30, 2008 and on all communication devices capable of accessing 9-1-1 and not just wireline telephones from July 1, 2008 through February 28, 2009; and

WHEREAS the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act will also enable a state-wide surcharge on all communication devices capable of accessing 9-1-1 and not just on wireless telephones, distributed under an existing State formula; and

WHEREAS there is no conclusive data available on the number of communication devices within Oakland County that would be eligible for surcharge under the provisions of the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act; and

WHEREAS the provisions of the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act require that a County advise the Michigan Public Services Commission of its intended initial surcharge rate effective January 1, 2008 by March 17, 2008; and

WHEREAS the existing wire line surcharge would cease on December 31, 2007 absent the approval by the Board of Commissioners regardless of the extension of the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act; and

WHEREAS the continued operational surcharge will provide funding for the operation and maintenance of the new, county-wide, radio system; and

WHEREAS all of the following documents contain the known costs for the operation of the new, county-wide radio system: (1) the comprehensive financial statements provided quarterly to the Board of Commissioners; (2) the project cash flow projections provided on a semi-annual basis to the Board of Commissioners; and (3) the County Executive's Fiscal Year 2008 and 2009 Budget Recommendation provided to the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS the continued operational surcharge will also provide funding for a migration solution for the presently decentralized and rapidly aging 9-1-1 Call-Taking Equipment at the local public safety answering points to an IP-Based solution by enabling a centralized solution over the County's OAKNet.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act, authorizes the extension of the operational surcharge per wireline telephone for the period of January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008 in the amount of \$.28 per wireline telephone to cover the operations and necessary provisions of the Radio Communications Fund, including \$.19 per wireline telephone to cover radio operations plus another \$.09 per wireline telephone for the IP-based 9-1-1 call taking equipment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act, authorizes the extension of the operational surcharge per communications device for the period of July 1, 2008 through February 28, 2009 in the amount of \$.25 per communications device to cover the operations and necessary provisions of the Radio Communications Fund, including \$.17 per communication device to cover radio operations plus another \$.08 per communications device for the IP-based call taking equipment with the amount of operational surcharge to be evaluated at time periods authorized by law and revised as appropriate and necessary.

Chairperson, on behalf of the General Government Committee, I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE (MISC. #07188)

BY: Finance Committee, Mike Rogers, Chairperson

IN RE: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – REQUEST TO EXTEND THE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE OPERATIONS SURCHARGE

To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule XII-C of this Board, the Finance Committee has reviewed the above-referenced resolution and finds:

1. The resolution requests the Board of Commissioners, pending passage of Michigan Senate Bills 410 and 411, to authorize extension of the operational surcharge per communications device for period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009 in the amount of \$.28 per communications device.
2. The Senate Bills 410 and 411 will enable the County Board of Commissioners to authorize an operational surcharge through December 31, 2011 with an opportunity to evaluate amount of the surcharge prior to April 1 of each year and make revisions as necessary.
3. While there is no conclusive data on the number of communication devices within Oakland County, it has been estimated that twelve months of surcharge equates to \$2,080,009.
4. The estimated requisite amount to cover radio operations has been included in revenue within the Radio Communications Fund Fiscal Year 2008 and Fiscal Year 2009 County Executive Recommended budget; therefore, a budget amendment is not recommended.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Moved by Long supported by Gregory to bring the original resolution (with fiscal note attached) before the board for discussion.

Moved by Long supported by Gregory the resolution (with fiscal note attached) be substituted.

AYES: Burns, Coulter, Douglas, Gershenson, Gingell, Gosselin, Gregory, Greimel, Kowall, Long, Middleton, Nash, Potter, Potts, Scott, Woodward, Zack, Bullard. (18)

NAYS: None. (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the resolution (with fiscal note attached) was substituted.

Moved by Long supported by Gregory the resolution (with fiscal note attached) be adopted, as substituted.

AYES: Coulter, Douglas, Gershenson, Gingell, Gregory, Kowall, Long, Middleton, Nash, Potter, Potts, Zack, Bullard. (13)

NAYS: Gosselin, Greimel, Scott, Woodward, Burns. (5)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the resolution (with fiscal note attached), as substituted, was adopted.

Commissioner Potter addressed the Board.

The Board adjourned at 10:11 a.m. to the call of the Chair on January 17, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.

RUTH JOHNSON  
Clerk

BILL BULLARD, JR.  
Chairperson