

**Jackson County Board of Commissioners Meetings Minutes**  
**January 9, 2007 - Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
**Jackson County Commissioners Chambers: 4:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Shotwell called the January 9, 2007, meeting of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: (12) Cmrs. Herl, Lutchka, Brittain, Duckham, Poleski, Videto, Mahoney, Brown, Smith, Way, Elwell and Shotwell.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

(Handled at the end of the meeting)

**SPECIAL ORDER:**

**a. Discuss proposed transportation millage**

Cameron McCollum, General Manager of the JTA, gave a Power Point presentation regarding the City of Jackson Transportation Authority and the need to keep public transportation throughout the County of Jackson. Three hand-outs were passed out and Cameron introduced three JTA Board members that were present: Jerry McDevitt from Summit Township, Pam McCrum representing the City of Jackson and Barb Freisinger from Leoni Township.

Cameron explained at length JTA's current funding and services provided to the County. Fares were increased on November 1, 2006. In an effort to maintain and continue the levels of service, JTA is proposing a county-wide millage effort and would appreciate the support of this Board.

Randy Treacher advised the commissioners that they are limited to next Tuesday night in which to make a decision, unless a special meeting of the Board is called. Only the commissioners can put the millage on the ballot. There is a time limit of the end of January to have the ballot language prepared for the May election. The next election will be in August.

Commissioners were advised by Shotwell to let the Acting Administrator/Controller know their thoughts about a special meeting. Commissioners are to e-mail any other questions and concerns to Cameron for response by this Friday and they can then be discussed next Tuesday night under New Business.

**Public Comment:**

Julie Kolbe, Equalization Director, reminded everyone that this would be a county millage and not a JTA millage because their Authority is only the city limits.

Jerry McDevitt - JTA Board; Monica Sulgate - Disability Connections; Carol Bush - Goodwill; Pam McCrum - JTA Board member and Barb Freisinger - JTA Board spoke in favor of the proposed transportation millage.

The Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. by Chairman Shotwell.

Steve Shotwell-Chairman, Jackson County Board of Commissioners  
Sandy Crowley-Jackson County Clerk