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2 balk at GOP budget revisions

By TIM RICHARD

Republicans on the Oakland County Board of Commissioners will have to wait until Tuesday to complete the rewrite of the 1976 Democratic board's budget.

The GOP, with a new 15-12 majority, had hoped to push through in a single day (Jan. 6) a 16-page list of budget amendments to undo most of the changes the Democratic board made in December.

Board sessions are usually over by noon, but last Thursday's dragged on until 5:30 p.m. because of interruptions for long committee meetings.

WHAT WENT WRONG is that two Republicans on the finance committee refused to go along with the leadership's effort to pass the budget amendments in one block.

Henry W. Hoot (R-Troy), the board's articulate conservative, and Ralph Moxley (R-Birmingham), in his first day in office, sided with Democrats in turning down the motion of Robert Page (R-Birmingham) in committee.

The GOP has a 74 edge in the finance committee, but the independent streak shown by Hoot and Moxley helped defeat the complete budget revision, 6-5.

Finance committee chairman Paul Kasper (R-Bloomfield Hills), eager to budget changes made as quickly as possible, scheduled a special meeting of the finance committee for last Saturday and got a full day's meeting scheduled for Tuesday at 10 a.m. Ordinarily, the board wouldn't have met again until Thursday, Jan. 20.

"WHAT'S THE RUSH?" minority Democrats Alexander Pernoff and Larry Pernick of Southfield and Dennis Aaron of Oak Park asked repeatedly—as if they didn't know.

The 1977 budget they had passed on a 14-13 party line vote Dec. 16 took several hundred thousands of dollars and dozens of jobs away from Republican County Executive Daniel T. Murphy and gave them to departments headed by other elected officials. The budget also gave the board itself \$60,000 for research assistants, just like state legislators and congressmen have.

One key vote in the finance committee indicated some Republicans don't think all the Democratic ideas were bad. Democrats had appropriated \$5,000 for a Friend of the Court

information booklet and \$4,000 for an improved telephone system for that office that the county executive hadn't requested. Page and Dennis Murphy (R-Now) voted with Democrats, 6-4, to retain it, although Kasper had tried to strike it out.

REPUBLICANS WERE successful, on a 6-4 vote, in cutting the Democrats' extra \$150,000 for the health department which the GOP argued the department hadn't even requested. This led citizen observer John King of Bloomfield Hills to denounce the Republicans.

"This is a travesty. The finance committee (in the 1976 Democratic board) spent three weeks, three or four days a week, on this budget, and you're trying to undo it all in two or three hours. Who made these decisions to change the budget? They were made in the Republican caucus, no doubt," King said.

To Democratic charges that the Republican amendments were irresponsible, Page, in a rare show of anger, replied: "If there was any irresponsibility, it was on the part of the finance committee in the last month of 1976. They took a topsy-turvy, upside-down, meat-ax approach."

And to Democratic charges that new members hadn't had an opportunity to study the budget carefully, freshman Republican James Lanni said: "I sat in on the (December) finance committee meetings. There was a meat-ax approach."

THE BOARD Tuesday will probably get GOP requests to:

*Cut \$125,000 that Democrats gave to Sheriff Johannes Spreen (a Democrat) for assistance to the organized crime task force headed by Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson (a Republican).

*Reduce overall the budget by \$1.1 million, which Democrats said would be coming in the form of federal counter-cyclical funds. This would make the overall budget about \$66 million.

*Reduce funds for senior citizen and nutrition programs, which Republican leaders charge "are illusory in that no logical means exists by which to insure that those funds are expended in the manner intended, thereby creating the false impression that these budget items would meet senior citizen and nutrition needs."

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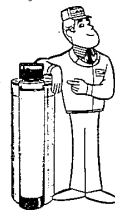
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