

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2020, 7:30 p.m.

304 E. Grand River, Board Chambers, Howell MI 48843

Members Present: Carol Griffith, Dennis Dolan, Kate Lawrence, William Green, Wes Nakagiri, Douglas Helzerman, Robert Bezotte, and Gary Childs

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Carol Griffith at 7:30 p.m.

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll call by the Clerk indicated the presence of a quorum.

District 5 Commissioner Seat is vacant.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Hillsdale County Resolution 02-023 Affirming Support for the Rights Protected by the Second Amendment and Michigan Constitution
- b. Huron County Resolution 20-16C Affirming Support for the Rights Protected by the Constitutions of the United States and Michigan
- c. Lake County Resolution 2020-02 Declaring Second Amendment Sanctuary County
- d. Menominee County Resolution 2020-08 Declaring Second Amendment Sanctuary County
- e. Monroe County Resolution to Declare Support for the Second Amendment
- f. Wexford County Resolution 20-05 Declaring Second Amendment Sanctuary County

Motion to receive and place on file the correspondence.

It was moved by K. Lawrence

Seconded by D. Dolan

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Bob Potocki, Brighton Township, spoke regarding the Broadcast Committee.

Yvonne Black, Marion Township, Candidate for 42nd State Representative, spoke regarding health care.

Ron Kardos, Oceola Township, spoke regarding recent MAP meeting at the Health Department. The next meeting is March 30, 2020.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Minutes of Meeting Dated: February 24, 2020
- b. Minutes of Meeting Dated: March 4, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes as presented.

It was moved by W. Green
Seconded by D. Helzerman

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

8. TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

None.

9. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as amended to include a Closed Session, following 10. Reports, to discuss written legal opinion pursuant to MCL 15.268.

It was moved by K. Lawrence
Seconded by D. Dolan

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

10. REPORTS

None.

10.1 Closed Session

Discuss Written Legal Opinion Pursuant to MCL 15.268.

Motion to recess to Closed Session at 7:38 p.m.

It was moved by K. Lawrence
Seconded by D. Helzerman

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): K. Lawrence, W. Green, C. Griffith, D. Dolan, and G. Childs; No (2): W. Nakagiri and R. Bezotte; Absent (0): None.

MOTION Carried (6-2-0)

Motion to return to Open Session at 7:56 p.m.

It was moved by K. Lawrence
Seconded by G. Childs

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

Motion to have legal counsel explain the nomination and election process to fill the vacancy for District 5 Board of Commissioner seat.

It was moved by C. Griffith
Seconded by G. Childs

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

Legal Counsel, Rich McNulty, explained the nomination and election process to fill the vacancy for District 5 Board of Commissioner seat.

11. CONSIDERATION AND RECONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENT TO VACANCY TO DISTRICT 5 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM

11.a 2020-03-051

Resolution to Appoint Commissioner to Fill Vacancy for District 5, Livingston County - Board of Commissioners

Chairperson Griffith opened the floor for nominations of candidates that applied and interviewed to fill the vacancy for District 5, Livingston County Board of Commissioners for the remained of the current unexpired term.

Commissioner Bezotte nominated Jay Drick and Commissioner Helzerman seconded.

Commissioner Lawrence nominated Lee Ann Blazejewski and Commissioner Dolan seconded.

Following no further nominations, Chairperson Griffith closed the nominations.

Motion to appoint Jay Drick as commissioner for District 5 to fill the vacancy in office for the remainder of the appointment term until December 31, 2020.

Moved By R. Bezotte

Seconded By D. Helzerman

Roll Call Vote: Yes: (4) R. Bezotte, W. Green, W. Nakagiri, and D. Helzerman; No: (4) D. Dolan, K. Lawrence, C. Griffith, and G. Childs; Absent: (0) None.

MOTION Failed (4-4-0)

Motion to appoint Lee Ann Blazejewski as commissioner for District 5 to fill the vacancy in office for the remainder of the appointment term until December 31, 2020.

Moved By K. Lawrence

Seconded By D. Dolan

Roll Call Vote: Yes: (4) K. Lawrence, C. Griffith, G. Childs and D. Dolan; No: (4) W. Green, W. Nakagiri, D. Helzerman, and R. Bezotte; Absent: (0) None.

MOTION Failed (4-4-0)

Motion to reconsider and hold a special meeting.

Moved By D. Dolan

Seconded By R. Bezotte

Discussion

Motion withdrawn by Commissioner Dolan

Motion to call a Special Meeting for Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. for the purposes of reconsidering Resolution 2020-03-051 and to consider nomination of individuals for appointment to the vacant District 5 Office.

Moved By D. Helzerman

Seconded By W. Nakagiri

Discussion

Motion laid on the table.

Motion to reconsider the Board action as to the nominations of Jay Drick and Lee Ann Blazejewski and all candidates at the scheduled Special Board Meeting on March 12, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. without waiving Board procedural rules.

Moved By D. Helzerman

Seconded By W. Nakagiri

Discussion

Yes: (6) D. Helzerman, R. Bezotte, K. Lawrence, C. Griffith, G. Childs, and W. Nakagiri; No: (2) D. Dolan and W. Green; Absent: (0) None.

MOTION Carried (6-2-0)

Recall of Motion laid on the table to call a special meeting for Thursday, March. 12, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. for the purposes of reconsidering Resolution 2020-03-051 and to consider nomination of individuals for appointment to the vacant District 5 Office.

Moved By D. Helzerman

Seconded By W. Nakagiri

Discussion

Yes: (6) D. Helzerman, R. Bezotte, K. Lawrence, C. Griffith, G. Childs, and W. Nakagiri; No: (2) D. Dolan and W. Green; Absent: (0) None.

MOTION Carried (6-2-0)

12. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Resolutions 2020-03-053 through 2020-03-062

Motion to approve the resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

It was moved by G. Childs
Seconded by D. Helzerman

Roll Call Vote: Yes (8): G. Childs, C. Griffith, D. Dolan, K. Lawrence, W. Green, W. Nakagiri, D. Helzerman, and R. Bezotte; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

12.a 2020-03-053

Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Key Development Center, Inc. – Specialty Courts and Programs

12.b 2020-03-054

Resolution Approving the Restructuring of EMS Office & Administration Staff - Emergency Medical Services

12.c 2020-03-055

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with William E. Walter, Inc. to Provide HVAC Services – Facility Services

12.d 2020-03-056

Resolution to Authorize Surveying of Building Lease Options for the Veterans' Services Department – Veterans' Services

12.e 2020-03-057

Resolution Authorizing Grant Contract, Budget Amendment, and Capital Expenditure for the Purchase of Three (3) Replacement Buses – LETS

12.f 2020-03-058

Resolution of Intent to Apply for State Financial Assistance for Fiscal Year 2021 Under Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as Amended - LETS

12.g 2020-03-059

Resolution to Concur with the Livingston County Aeronautical Facilities Board to Enter into an Easement Agreement with DTE Energy to Provide Electric Service to the Hangar Being Constructed by CSIG Storage, LLC - Airport

12.h 2020-03-060

Resolution to Concur with the Livingston County Aeronautical Facilities Board to Enter into an Agreement with C&S Companies of Livonia, Michigan for the Design of Joint Repair for Taxiways Alpha and Bravo and Associated Connectors - Airport

12.i 2020-03-061

Resolution to Concur with the Livingston County Aeronautical Facilities Board to Enter into a Second Partial Release of Property Damage Claims Agreement for the Aircraft Accident N525pz – Airport

12.j 2020-03-062

Resolution Making Annual County Security Awareness Training Mandatory for All County Employees – Board of Commissioners

13. RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolutions 2020-03-063 and 2020-03-064

13.a 2020-03-063

Resolution Granting a Personal Day to Non Union Employees - Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by R. Bezotte

Seconded by G. Childs

Yes (7): C. Griffith, D. Dolan, K. Lawrence, W. Green, D. Helzerman, R. Bezotte, and G. Childs;

No (1): W. Nakagiri; Absent (0): None

MOTION Carried (7-1-0)

13.b 2020-03-064

Resolution Amending 2020-02-025 Resolution Renewing a 3-Year Contract of Commercial Appraisals Between Livingston County Board Of Commissioners and Landmark Appraisal Company - Equalization

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by K. Lawrence

Seconded by R. Bezotte

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

13.c 2020-03-065

Amendment to Resolution 2020-03-052 Authorizing the Livingston County Census 2020 Complete Count Committee to Apply for the Michigan Municipal League's Be Counted Michigan 2020 Census Grant – Board of Commissioners

Motion to consider the amendment to Resolution 2020-03-052

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by R. Bezotte

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

Resolution Amending Resolution 2020-03-052 Authorizing the Livingston County Census 2020 Complete Count Committee to Apply for the Michigan Municipal League's Be Counted Michigan 2020 Census Grant – Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the amended Resolution.

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by R. Bezotte

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)

14. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Tina Dean, Oceola Township, attending her first Board meeting and thanked the Board.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

It was moved by K. Lawrence

Seconded by D. Helzerman

MOTION Carried (8-0-0)