

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES



January 3, 2022, 5:30 P.M.
Board of Commissioners Meeting Location
304 E. Grand River Ave., Board Chambers, Howell, Michigan
Zoom Virtual Meeting ID: 399-700-0062 / Password: LCBOC
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3997000062>

Members Present: Wes Nakagiri, Carol Griffith, Martin Smith, Carol Sue Reader, Douglas Helzerman, Jay Drick, Mitchell Zajac, Brenda Plank

Members Absent: Jay Gross

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by County Clerk Elizabeth Hundley at 5:30 p.m.

2. MOMENT OF SILENT 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.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Eaton County Resolution 21-12-125 to Condemn Federal Vaccine & Testing Mandates

Motion to receive and place on file the correspondence.

It was moved by B. Plank
Seconded by M. Zajac

MOTION Carried (8-0-1)

6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The following persons addressed the Board: Commissioner Helzerman; Mary Robinson, Executive Director, Livingston County Convention and Visitors Bureau; and Chuck Wright, Handy Township.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of Meeting Dated: December 13, 2021
2. Minutes of Meeting Dated: December 22, 2021

Motion to approve the minutes as presented.

It was moved by C. Reader
Seconded by D. Helzerman

MOTION Carried (8-0-1)

8. TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

None.

9. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

It was moved by C. Griffith
Seconded by B. Plank

MOTION Carried (8-0-1)

10. REPORTS

Commissioner Nakagiri spoke regarding remote attendance at meetings by Commissioners.

Commissioner Helzerman spoke regarding changes to the Board rules and committees.

11. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

None.

12. RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolutions 2022-01-001 through 2022-01-003

12.a 2022-01-001

Election of Board Chair for 2022

Commissioner Helzerman nominated Commissioner Plank for Chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2022.

Commissioner Zajac nominated Commissioner Nakagiri for Chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2022.

Nominations for Board Chair closed.

Election of Board Chair from the two nominees, Commissioner Plank and Commissioner Nakagiri.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Smith voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Commissioner Reader voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Commissioner Nakagiri voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Commissioner Zajac voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Commissioner Drick voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Commissioner Griffith voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Commissioner Gross was absent

Commissioner Plank voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Commissioner Helzerman voted for Commissioner Nakagiri

Carried (8-0-1)

Commissioner Nakagiri elected Chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2022.

5:48 p.m. Meeting turned over to Chairman Nakagiri

12.b 2022-01-002

Election of Board Vice-Chair for 2022

Commissioner Nakagiri nominated Commissioner Griffith for Vice Chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2022.

Motion to close the nominations.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by M. Zajac

MOTION Carried (8-0-1)

Election of Board Vice Chair with Commissioner Griffith as the nominee.

Carried (8-0-1)

Commissioner Griffith is elected Vice Chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2022.

12.c 2022-01-003

Resolution Adopting Rules of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners and to Establish Meeting Dates for 2022 – Board of Commissioners

It was moved by D. Helzerman to adopt the status quo version.
Seconded by C. Griffith
Discussion

Yes (1): D. Helzerman; No (7): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank; Absent (1): J. Gross

MOTION Failed (1-7-1)

Motion to adopt the new proposed Board Rules drafted by Commissioner Nakagiri.

It was moved by B. Plank
Seconded by M. Zajac
Discussion

Motion to amend the Board Rules to have the Compensation Study originate in the Personnel Committee.

It was moved by M. Smith
Seconded by B. Plank
Discussion

Yes (6): M. Smith, D. Helzerman, C. Griffith, C. Reader, J. Drick, and B. Plank;
No (2): W. Nakagiri, and M. Zajac, Absent (1): J. Gross

MOTION to Amend Carried (6-2-1)

Motion to amend Board Rules to have the Capital Improvement Plan originate in the General Government Committee.

It was moved by M. Smith
Seconded by C. Griffith
Discussion

Yes (1): M. Smith; No (7): D. Helzerman, C. Griffith, W. Nakagiri, C. Reader, J. Drick, B. Plank and M. Zajac, Absent (1): J. Gross

MOTION to Amend Failed (1-7-1)

Motion to amend Board Rules to have all ARPA fund requests submitted to Finance/Asset Management Committee.

It was moved by M. Smith
Seconded by M. Zajac
Discussion

MOTION to Amend Carried (8-0-1)

Motion to amend Board Rules to have all second meetings start immediately following the conclusion of the first meeting.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by C. Reader
Discussion

MOTION to Amend Carried (8-0-1)

Motion to amend Board Rules to allow Committee meetings to have one Call to the Public, but Full Board meetings will have two Calls to the Public with a two minute limit for the second Call to the Public.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by B. Plank
Discussion

Yes (7): D. Helzerman, W. Nakagiri, M. Zajac C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, and B. Plank; No (1): J. Drick; Absent (1): J. Gross

MOTION to Amend Carried (7-1-1)

Motion to amend Board Rules under the Finance/Asset Management Committee to allow the Strategic Plan to be developed under the appropriate sub-Committee.

It was moved by C. Griffith
Seconded by D. Helzerman
Discussion

Yes (5): C. Griffith, D. Helzerman, M. Smith, C. Reader, and J. Drick; No (3): W. Nakagiri, B. Plank, and M. Zajac, Absent (1): J. Gross

MOTION to Amend Carried (5-3-1)

Motion to adopt the Board Rules as drafted by Commissioner Nakagiri, as amended.

It was moved by B. Plank
Seconded by M. Zajac

MOTION Carried (8-0-1)

13. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chuck Wright, Handy Township, addressed the Board.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by C. Griffith

MOTION Carried (8-0-1)