

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES



August 22, 2022, 6:00 P.M.
Livingston County Administration Building
304 E. Grand River, Conference Room 1, Howell, MI 48843

Members Present: Wes Nakagiri, Carol Griffith, Martin Smith, Carol Sue Reader, Douglas Helzerman

Members Absent: Jay Drick, Mitchell Zajac, Jay Gross, Brenda Plank

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wes Nakagiri at 6:00 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

5.a Van Buren County

Resolution Urging the Michigan Legislature to Amend the Michigan No-Fault Auto Insurance Reform Act

Motion to receive and place on file the Correspondence.

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

Yes (5): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, and D. Helzerman
Absent (4): J. Drick, M. Zajac, J. Gross, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (5-0-4)

6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The following persons addressed the Board: Janine Iyer, Genoa Township; Bill Reiber, Genoa Township; Caitlyn Perry Dial, City of Brighton; Colleen Quinn, Genoa Township; Yvonne Black, Marion Township; Jennifer Smith, Genoa Township (also provided a handout to the Commissioners);

Commissioner Gross arrived at 6:19 p.m.

Lori Cowan, Unadilla Township; Brian Harrison, Rockford, Michigan; Lisa Rozemarniewicz, Hartland Township; Danyelle Anjo, Handy Township; and Stephanie Brighton, Handy Township.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

7.a Minutes of meeting dated: August 8, 2022

Motion to approve the Minutes as presented.

It was moved by C. Reader
Seconded by C. Griffith

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

8. TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Motion to remove Resolution No. 2022-08-112 from the table.

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

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

8.a 2022-08-112

Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Sparrow Hospital of Pathology to provide Medical Examiner Forensic Pathology Services and a Supplemental Appropriation – Medical Examiner

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

9. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

It was moved by J. Gross
Seconded by C. Griffith

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

10. REPORTS

Commissioner Helzerman read an excerpt from Thomas E. Tarpley's book From Gutter to Grace.

Commissioner Nakagiri commented regarding staffing issues at the courts.

11. RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolutions 2022-08-118 through 2022-08-130

11.a 2022-08-118

Resolution Approving Appointments to the Huron River Watershed Council – Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by C. Griffith
Seconded By J. Gross

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.b 2022-08-119 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance and Signing of the FY 2023 Emergency Management Performance Grant - Emergency Management

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.c 2022-08-120

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Huron Valley Guns LLC to Provide Uniform Outfitting Services for New Personnel or Replacements for Various Countywide Departments – Fiscal Services

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by J. Gross
Seconded by M. Smith
Discussion.

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.d 2022-08-121

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Ottawa County to Provide Juvenile Detention Bed Rental Services – Juvenile Court

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.e 2022-08-122 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing the Crime Victim Rights Grant for Fiscal Year 2023 – Prosecutor

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by J. Gross
Seconded by C. Reader

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.f 2022-08-123 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission to Provide Funding to Comply with the Michigan Indigent Defense Act for State Fiscal Year 2023 - Public Defender

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by M. Smith

Seconded by J. Gross

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.g 2022-08-124

Resolution to Retain the Non-Union Employees, Elected Officials, Commissioners, and Judges Benefit Plans for 2023 Fiscal Year - Human Resources

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by C. Griffith

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross

Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.h 2022-08-125 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing the Sheriff's Office and the County of Livingston to Apply for and Enter Into a Contract with the State of Michigan, Office of Highway Safety Planning for FY 2023 Secondary Road Patrol and Traffic Accident Prevention Grant Program – Sheriff

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by M. Smith

Seconded by J. Gross

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.i 2022-08-126

Resolution Authorizing the Reorganization of Certain Positions with the Sheriff Records Office – Sheriff

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by J. Gross

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross

Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.j 2022-08-127

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Between the Livingston County Sheriff's Office and Hartland Township – Sheriff

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by C. Reader
Seconded by C. Griffith
Discussion.

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.k 2022-08-128

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Between the Livingston County Sheriff's Office and Tyrone Township – Sheriff

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by C. Reader
Seconded by C. Griffith

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.l 2022-08-129

Resolution Amending the Resolution Regarding the Selection and Termination of Non-Elected Department Heads - Board of Commissioners Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

11.m 2022-08-130

Resolution Authorizing the Selection Process of the Vacant Health Officer Position - Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by M. Smith
Seconded by D. Helzerman
Discussion.

Motion to amend the Resolution to add Human Resources Department or Administration to include entering into an agreement with Hiring Solutions to assist with the process.

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

Yes (4): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, C. Reader, and D. Helzerman
No (2): M. Smith, and J. Gross
Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION to Amend Resolution Carried (4-2-3)

Motion to adopt the amended Resolution.

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

Yes (4): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, C. Reader, and D. Helzerman

No (2): M. Smith, and J. Gross

Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION to adopt Amended Resolution Failed (4-2-3)

12. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORTS

12.a Claims dated: August 22, 2022

12.b Payables dated: July 30 through August 12, 2022

Motion to approve the Claims and Payables Report.

It was moved by C. Griffith
Seconded by J. Gross

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross

Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

13. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The following persons addressed the Board: Janine Iyer, Genoa Township; Colleen Quinn, Genoa Township; and Jennifer Smith, Genoa Township.

14. CLOSED SESSION (2/3 Roll Call Vote)

Motion to convene a Closed Session at 7:19 p.m. to discuss written legal opinion MCL 15.268(h).

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

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross

No (0): None; Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

Motion to return to Open Session at 8:05 p.m.

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

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross

No (0): None; Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by J. Gross

Yes (6): W. Nakagiri, C. Griffith, M. Smith, C. Reader, D. Helzerman, and J. Gross

Absent (3): J. Drick, M. Zajac, and B. Plank

MOTION Carried (6-0-3)