



## Livingston County Board of Commissioners Special Meeting Minutes

May 31, 2023, 6:00 p.m.  
Livingston County Administration Building  
304 E. Grand River, Board Chambers, Howell MI 48843

Members Present                Wes Nakagiri, Douglas Helzerman, David Domas, Frank Sample, Jay Drick,  
Roger Deaton, Nick Fiani, Jay Gross

Members Absent                Martin Smith

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### 1.     **Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Fiani at 7:35 p.m.

### 2.     **Roll Call**

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

### 3.     **Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by D. Domas

Yes (8): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; Absent (1): M. Smith

**Motion Carried (8 to 0)**

### 4.     **Call to the Public**

Commissioner Helzerman recited a prayer.

### 5.     **Closed Session: Discuss Pending Litigation per MCL 15.268(e)**

Motion to convene a Closed Session at 7:37 p.m. to discuss specific pending litigation in Hartland Township v Livingston County and Livingston County Department of Public Works in Case #23-31864-CK per MCL 15.268 (e).

It was moved by D. Domas

Seconded by J. Gross

Yes (8): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; Absent (1): M. Smith

**Motion Carried (8 to 0)**

Motion to return to Open Session at 9:03 p.m.

It was moved by D. Domas

Seconded by J. Gross

Yes (8): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; Absent (1): M. Smith

**Motion Carried (8 to 0)**

Motion to authorize hiring John Brennan as legal counsel to represent Livingston County and the Livingston County Department of Public Works in Case #23-31864-CK filed in the 44th Circuit Court by Hartland Township at the rate of \$330/hr. and authorize the board chair to sign a fee agreement upon approval as to form by the County's Corporation Counsel.

It was moved by: R. Deaton  
Seconded by: F. Sample

Yes (8): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; Absent (1): M. Smith

**Motion Carried (8 to 0)**

**6. Call to the Public**

Brian Jonckheere, Drain Commissioner, addressed the commissioners.

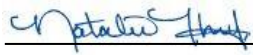
**7. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

It was moved by W. Nakagiri  
Seconded by R. Deaton

Yes (8): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; Absent (1): M. Smith

**Motion Carried (8 to 0)**



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Natalie Hunt, Recording Secretary