



Livingston County Board of Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

June 24, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Meeting
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: Jay Drick, Douglas Helzerman, David Domas, Frank Sample, Wes Nakagiri, Roger Deaton, Martin Smith, Nick Fiani, Jay Gross

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jay Drick at 6:00 p.m.

2. Moment of Prayer

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. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

It was moved by D. Domas
Seconded by N. Fiani

Motion to amend the agenda by moving item 13 - FOIA Appeal to item 7.

It was moved by N. Fiani
Seconded by D. Helzerman

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion to Amend Carried (9-0-0)

Motion to approve the agenda as amended.

It was moved by D. Domas
Seconded by N. Fiani

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

6. Correspondence

6.a Lake County

Resolution #2024-10 in Opposition to the FY 2025 Governor's Recommended Budget for the Reduction of Operational Funding to the Michigan Conservation Districts and the Elimination of Local Administration of the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP)

6.b Lake County

Resolution #2024-11 Recognizing May as Mental Health Awareness Month

Motion to receive and place on file the Correspondence.

It was moved by N. Fiani
Seconded by M. Smith

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

The meeting was turned over to Vice-Chair Fiani at 6:04 p.m.

7. FOIA Appeal

Appellant: Tara A. Pearson

Tara Pearson, Appellant, addressed the Board. Nathan Burd and Jennifer Palmbo addressed the Board. Rebuttals by both parties were permitted and they answered questions from the Board.

Motion to uphold the partial denial of requested records and issue a letter from the Board to the appellant.

It was moved by: F. Sample
Seconded by: M. Smith

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

The meeting was turned over to Chairman Drick at 6:31 p.m.

8. Call to the Public

The following people addressed the board: Chuck Wright, Handy Township; Karen Groenhout, Brighton Township; Stephanie Miklos, Howell; Steve Williams, Marion Township; Heather Williams, Marion Township; Colleen Quinn, Genoa Township; and Tara Pearson, Genoa Township.

9. Approval of Minutes

9.a Meeting Minutes dated: May 28, 2024

9.b Meeting Minutes dated: June 10, 2024

Motion to approve the Minutes as presented.

It was moved by J. Gross
Seconded by N. Fiani

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

10. Tabled Items From Previous Meetings

10.a 2024-04-046

Resolution Authorizing the Business Property Lease Agreement with 1221 Building Group, LLC for the Livingston County Public Defender's Office to Occupy 1221 Byron Road, Howell, MI 48843 – Public Defender

Motion to remove 2024-04-046 from the table.

It was moved by W. Nakagiri
Seconded by N. Fiani

Yes (8): D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (1): D. Helzerman; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (8-1-0)

Motion to convene a Closed Session at 6:49 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the purchase or rental of real estate pursuant to MCL 15.268(d).

It was moved by N. Fiani
Seconded by D. Helzerman

Roll Call Vote: Yes (9): N. Fiani, J. Gross D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, and M. Smith; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

Motion to return to Open Session at 8:26 p.m.

It was moved by W. Nakagiri
Seconded by N. Fiani

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

The meeting was recessed until 8:37 p.m.

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by J. Gross
Seconded by W. Nakagiri

Discussion.

Yes (2): D. Helzerman, and M. Smith; No (7): D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; Absent (0): None

Motion Failed (2-7-0)

10.b 2024-05-070 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing General Fund Vision Tour Funds for the Drain Commissioner to participate with Handy Township in the Silver Springs Water Pressure Project and Van Buren Road Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements – Drain Commissioner

Motion to remove 2024-05-070 from the table.

It was moved by N. Fiani
Seconded by R. Deaton

Discussion.

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

Motion to amend the Resolution to reflect the updated proposal.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by F. Sample

Discussion.

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

Motion to adopt the amended Resolution.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by F. Sample

Discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, J. Drick, R. Deaton, and M. Smith; No (3): W. Nakagiri, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (6-3-0)

11. Reports

Commissioner Deaton updated the Board on Brighton Charter Township's Veterans Park dedication.

Commissioner Fiani attended the American Legion Boys State kickoff event on June 23rd.

12. Resolutions for Consideration

12.a 2024-06-082 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution to Accept the 2023 Livingston County Financial Audit – Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by N. Fiani
Seconded by R. Deaton

Discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Yes (9): N. Fiani, J. Gross D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, and M. Smith; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.b 2024-06-083

Resolution Approving Appointments to the Aeronautical Facilities Board – Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by D. Helzerman
Seconded by F. Sample

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.c 2024-06-084

Resolution Authorizing Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy Material Management Plan Commencement - DPW/Solid Waste

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.d 2024-06-085

Resolution Approving a Letter of Agreement with the Union Representing the Paramedics - EMS

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by R. Deaton
Seconded by D. Helzerman

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.e 2024-06-086

Resolution to Approve a Letter of Agreement with the Union Representing Sergeants – Human Resources

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by F. Sample
Seconded by D. Domas

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.f 2024-06-087 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing HVAC Ductwork Modifications to be Paid by General Fund Vision Tour Committed Fund Balance – Facility Services

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Roll Call Vote: Yes (9): J. Gross, D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, and N. Fiani, No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.g 2024-06-088 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Animal Shelter HVAC Units – Facility Services

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

13. Accounts Payable Reports

13.a Claims dated: June 24, 2024

13.b Payables dated: June 1 through June 14, 2024

Motion to approve the Claims Report and Payables Report as presented.

It was moved by: J. Gross

Seconded by: D. Domas

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

14. Call to the Public

The following person addressed the Board: Steve Williams, Marion Township.

15. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by R. Deaton

Yes (9): D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, J. Drick, R. Deaton, M. Smith, N. Fiani, and J. Gross; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

Elizabeth Hundley, County Clerk