

# Livingston County Board of Commissioners

## Annual Meeting Minutes



September 23, 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, Nick Fiani, Jay Gross

Members Absent: Martin Smith

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### 1. Call the Annual Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by the 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 Deputy Clerk indicated the presence of a quorum.

### 5. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

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

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

**Motion Carried (7-0-2)**

**6. Correspondence**

**6.a Crawford County**

Resolution Opposing the Use of State Lands by Camp Grayling by Permit

Motion to receive and place on file the Correspondence.

It was moved by W. Nakagiri

Seconded by J. Gross

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

**Motion Carried (7-0-2)**

**7. Call to the Public**

The following people addressed the Board: Mike Bignell, Brighton; Beth Duman, Oceola Township; Rev. R Dundzla, Genoa Township; Denise O'Connell, Hartland Township; Connie Robinson, Hartland; Bob Sexton, Brighton; Sharon Staton, Marion Township; Mike Staton, Marion Township; Sally Chan, Genoa Township; Steve Monet, Brighton; Elinor Jordan, Lansing; Ronnie Harrow, Genoa Township; Marilyn Waxberg, Howell; Wes Nakagiri, Hartland Township; Jason Woolford, Howell; Mary Witalec, Greenfield Township; Stephanie Miklos, City of Howell; Bill Reiber, Genoa Township; Barbara Tonkovich, Genoa Township; Tim Quinn, Genoa Township; Colleen Quinn, Genoa Township; Lisa Rozmarniewicz, Hamburg Township; Joe Carney, Brighton; Trisha Fessler, Hartland Township; Alex Yarber, Hartland; Liliana Herbstreit, Oceola Township; Tim Hughes, Marion Township; Terran Frye, Oceola Township; Anna Wysocki, Howell; Shari Pollesch, Hartland Township; Maria Woolford, Howell; Cindy Alesso, Marion Township; Bob Conaway, Hartland; Bill Cowan, Unadilla Township; Lori Cowan, Unadilla Township; Charlotte Cosmic, Howell Township; Leo Hanifin; Cindy Michniewicz, Hamburg Township; Ella Nikitin, Hartland Township; Paul Giessner, Marion Township; Debbie Lovin, Hamburg Township; Ron Kardos; Caitlyn Perry Dial, Brighton; Clare Donovan; Sam Bullock, Howell; Joanna Vantaram, Hartland Township; Michelle Blondeel, Hatland Township; Julia Johns, Hartland; Janine Iyer, Genoa Township; Tiffany Baird, Hartland; and Tammy Higgins, Iosco Township.

Commissioner Domas joined the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

The meeting was recessed at 8:14 p.m. and resumed at 8:25 p.m.

**8. Approval of Minutes**

**8.a Meeting Minutes dated: August 26, 2024**

**8.b Meeting Minutes dated: September 9, 2024**

Motion to approve the Minutes as presented.

It was moved by J. Gross

Seconded by R. Deaton

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**9. Tabled Items From Previous Meetings**

None.

**10. Reports**

Commissioner Nakagiri reported on Bob Miles.

Commissioner Deaton thanked Livingston County Veteran Services and the community for the success of the 9/11 Never Forget Memorial 5K Trail Run.

**11. Resolutions for Consideration**

**11.a 2024-09-119**

Resolution Approving an Appointment to the Michigan Department of Health Human Services Board – Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.b 2024-09-120**

Resolution Approving Appointments to the Livingston County Planning Commission - Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.c 2024-09-121 (Roll Call Vote)**

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of New Garage Door for the Hartland EMS Base from F403 Capital Replacement - Emergency Medical Services

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.d 2024-09-122**

Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Legacy Assessing Services to Provide Commercial Property Appraisal Services – Equalization

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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; No (0): None; Absent (1): M. Smith

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.e 2024-09-123 (Roll Call Vote)**

Resolution to Authorize Agreement for the Delivery of Comprehensive Health Services Grant for the Period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 – Health Department

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.f 2024-09-124**

Resolution Authorizing Leadership Training Conducted by Cleary University for New and Emerging County Department Leaders – County Administration/Human Resources

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by R. Deaton  
Seconded by J. Gross

Discussion.

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.g 2024-09-125 (Roll Call Vote)**

Resolution Authorizing Passthrough Funding Agreement for Transportation Services between Livingston County and the Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE) - LETS

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.h 2024-09-126**

Resolution Authorizing FY 2025 Vehicle Leases through the County's Partnership with Enterprise Fleet Management - Car Pool

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.i 2024-09-127 (Roll Call Vote)**

Resolution Authorizing an Additional 2024 Vehicle Replacement Lease for the Sheriff Field Services Division – Car Pool

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.j 2024-09-128**

Resolution to Monitor and Document Contacts Between Illegal Immigrants and the Livingston County Sheriff's Office - Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.k CLOSED SESSION (Roll Call Vote)**

Motion to convene a Closed Session at 9:10 p.m. for the purpose of: Discuss Pending Litigation: Hartland Township v. Livingston County and Livingston County Public Works Department, 23-31864-CK (MCL 15.268(e))

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

Motion to return to Open Session at 10:23 p.m.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**11.l 2024-09-129**

Resolution to Authorize Entry of Consent Judgment in Settlement of Litigation with Hartland Township – Board of Commissioners

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**12. Accounts Payable Reports**

**12.a Claims dated: September 23, 2024**

**12.b Payables dated: August 31 through September 13, 2024**

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

It was moved by: J. Gross

Seconded by: D. Domas

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**13. FOIA Appeal: Yvonne Black**

Yvonne Black presented her appeal of the records request denial she received.

Several Commissioners asked questions of Ms. Black and of the County's legal counsel, Rich McNulty.

Motion to uphold the FOIA denial and to authorize the Board Chair to sign a written response to the Appellant.

It was moved by F. Sample

Seconded by J. Gross

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**14. FOIA Appeal: Mark Reizen**

The appellant was not present to address his appeal.

Motion to uphold the FOIA denial and to authorize the Board Chair to sign a written response to the Appellant.

It was moved by J. Gross

Seconded by D. Helzerman

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

**15. Call to the Public**

The following people addressed the Board: Roger Deaton, Genoa Township; Lori Cowan, Unadilla Township; Leo Hanifin; and Ella Nikitin, Hartland Township.

**16. CLOSED SESSION (Roll Call Vote)**

No Motion was heard.

**17. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:06 p.m.

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

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

**Motion Carried (8-0-1)**

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William Mitch, Deputy County Clerk

UNAPPROVED