



Livingston County Board of Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2025, 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: LCB0C
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3997000062>

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

1. Call 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 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 J. Gross

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

6. Recognitions

6.a Sue Bostwick

Commissioner Deaton recognized Sue Bostwick, Equalization Director.

6.b Bob Bezotte

Commissioner Sample and Commissioner Domas recognized Bob Bezotte, Retired Livingston County Sheriff, County Commissioner, and 47th District State of Michigan Representative.

7. Correspondence

None.

8. Call to the Public

Act 388 of 1976 offer; Act 267 of 1976

None.

9. Approval of Minutes

9.a Meeting Minutes dated: March 24, 2025

9.b Meeting Minutes dated: April 15, 2025

Motion to approve the Minutes as presented.

It was moved by N. Fiani

Seconded by R. Deaton

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

10. Tabled Items From Previous Meetings

None.

11. Reports

Commissioner Deaton provided a report to the Board.

12. Resolutions for Consideration

12.a 2025-04-051

Resolution Authorizing Appointments to the Human Services Collaborative Body – Board of Commissioners

Previous Resolution 2024-12-170 postponed on 12.16.2024 to the 4th Monday in April (April 28, 2025)

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by D. Domas

Discussion.

Motion to postpone the resolution indefinitely.

It was moved by N. Fiani

Seconded by M. Paunovich

Discussion.

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

Motion Carried (7-2-0)

12.b 2025-03-052

Resolution to Adopt the Updated 2025-2029 Livingston County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) – Emergency Management

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.c 2025-04-053 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution Authorizing the addition of 4 full-time EMT positions - Emergency Medical Services

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.d 2025-04-054

Resolution Approving the 2025 Plan of Organization for the Health Department–Health Department

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

Motion to amend the Resolution to add the following prior to THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

;and

WHEREAS, The Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) is considered a county department under the authority of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners; and WHEREAS, The General Government/Health and Human Services Committee acts as the Board of Health for the Health Department; and

WHEREAS, The Health Officer reports to the County Administrator; And

WHEREAS, The LCHD has a record of acting independently in going above and beyond minimal requirements to meet the specific needs of Livingston County residents; and

WHEREAS, The Livingston County Board of Commissioners expects each department and each employee of our county to secure the liberties guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States and the State of Michigan.

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

Discussion.

Yes (9): J. Drick, D. Helzerman, D. Domas, F. Sample, W. Nakagiri, R. Deaton, N. Fiani, M. Paunovich, 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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.e 2025-04-055

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Keefe Group to Provide Inmate Banking, Commissary, and Vending Services - Jail

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.f 2025-04-056

Resolution of Intent to Apply for Financial Assistance for Fiscal Year 2026 Under Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as Amended - LETS

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.g 2025-04-057 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution To Authorize a First Quarter Budget Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025
Budget - Fiscal Services

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.h 2025-04-058

Resolution Authorizing Livingston County's 2026 Annual Budget Process & Calendar – Administration

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.i 2025-04-059 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution to Concur with the Livingston County Aeronautical Facilities Board to Enter Into an Agreement with C&S Companies of Livonia, Michigan For Construction Administration for the Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) Building – Airport

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.j 2025-04-060

Resolution to Concur with the Livingston County Aeronautical Facilities Board to Enter Into a Ground Lease Agreement with DCM Investments LLC for Airport Property on Grand River Avenue – Airport

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.k 2025-04-061 (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution to Concur with the Livingston County Aeronautical Facilities Board to Enter Into a Grant Agreement with the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) for Additional PFAS Testing at the Livingston County Airport - Airport

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

12.I 2025-04-062

Resolution to Concur with the Livingston County Aeronautical Facilities Board to Enter Into an Agreement with TriTerra for Additional PFAS Testing at the Livingston County Airport - Airport

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

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

Discussion.

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

13. Accounts Payable Reports

13.a Claims dated: April 28, 2025

13.b Payables dated: April 8 through April 20, 2025

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

It was moved by: J. Gross
Seconded by: D. Domas

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

14. Call to the Public

Act 388 of 1976 offer; Act 267 of 1976

None.

15. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Deaton, Commissioner Helzerman and Commissioner Gross commented.

16. Closed Session

Discuss Pending Litigation [MCL 15.268(e)]

Black v Livingston County: 24-50988 and 24-10634

Griswold v Livingston County: 22-10980

Mazur v Livingston County: 24-13193

Ross v Sheriff Deputies: 23-12711

Jon Messer v Livingston: 24-11743

Motion to convene a Closed Session at 7:28 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Pending Litigation, the five cases listed above. [MCL 15.268(e)]

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

Motion to return to Open Session at 8:13 p.m.

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

17. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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

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

Motion Carried (9-0-0)

Elizabeth Hundley, County Clerk