



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 17, 2021

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

I. ROLL CALL

A session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held virtually (due to the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic) using Zoom videoconferencing on November 17, 2021.

The meeting was called to order at 08:54 PM by Comm. Shink, Chair of the Board of Commissioners.

Members Present: Comms. **Shannon Beeman** (Village of Manchester, Washtenaw County, MI), **Justin Hodge** (Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, MI), **Ricky Jefferson** (Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, MI), **Andy LaBarre** (City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI), **Jason Maciejewski** (Dexter Township, Washtenaw County, MI), **Jason Morgan** (City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI), **Caroline Sanders** (Pittsfield Township, Washtenaw County, MI), **Katie Scott** (City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI), **Sue Shink** (Northfield Township, Washtenaw County, MI)

Members Absent: None.

Others Present County Administrator, Greg Dill; Diane Heidt, Deputy County Administrator; Michelle Billard, Corporation Counsel; Alize Asberry Payne and Crystal Campbell, Racial Equity Office; Raman Patel, Greg Zamenski, Jeffrey Pizzuto, Equalization; Evan Pratt, Water Resources; Tina Gavalier, Catherine Jones-Alther, and Brady Peck, Finance; Judy Kramer, Risk Management; Jason Fee, Facilities; John Axe, Bond Counsel; Theo Eggermont, Public Works; Nina Johnson, Human Resources; Teresa Gillotti, OCED; Lisa Fusik, Courts; Jeff Rose and Faye Jasman, ITS; Andrew DeLeeuw, Peter Lindeman, and Candace Reum, County Administration; Robert Mulcahy, Clerk's Office; and members of the public.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Gail Summerhill thanked the Board of Commissioners for holding a community listening session on Saturday and looks forward to continued listening sessions for eastern county residents.

Trische Duckworth from Van Buren Township spoke about economic inequality.

IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Commissioner Scott thanked everyone who participated in public comment. Commissioner Scott stated she is eager to attend future community listening sessions in eastern Washtenaw County.

Commissioner Jefferson provided an update that County Administration is evaluating holding listening sessions at different times. Commissioner Jefferson spoke about Section 8 vouchers in eastern Washtenaw County not covering rent payments.

Commissioner Shink thanked everyone who participated in public comment. Commissioner Shink offered to share notes from the Board of Commissioner's previous listening session with commissioners unable to attend.

V. LIAISON REPORTS

Commissioner Hodge provided updates from the Joint Airport Zoning Board, Retirement Commission, and Youth Commission. Commissioner Hodge reminded the Board of Commissioners the Youth Commission has an event on Sunday January 30th from 3:00-4:00 pm.

Commissioner Morgan provided an update from the Board of Public Works.

Commissioner Shink provided two updates from the Agricultural Lands Preservation Advisory Committee and an update from the Road Commission.

VI. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

None.

VII. APPOINTMENTS

None.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved that the Approval of minutes of previous meeting (November 3, 2021) be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
2. Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved that the communications be received and dealt with as recommended. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

R-0066 RECEIVED: November 1, 2021. Commissioner Jason Maciejewski – Resignation from the Area Agency on Aging 1B Board of Directors effective September 15, 2021. Received and filed.

R-0067 RECEIVED: November 8, 2021. Dickinson County – Resolution Supporting American Rescue Plan State Match Programs. Received and filed.

R-0068 RECEIVED: November 8, 2021. Jackson County – Resolution to Oppose Mandatory Vaccinations, Mandatory Wearing of Masks and Other Face Coverings, Vaccination Passports, and Mandatory Covid Testing and Support a Citizen's Right to Self-determination and Parental Rights to Decide What is Best for Their Children. Received and filed.

R-0069 RECEIVED: November 8, 2021. Marquette County – Resolution Supporting American Rescue Plan State Match Programs. Received and filed.

R-0070 RECEIVED: November 2, 2021. Muskegon County – Resolution Supporting Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Casino in Muskegon County. Received and filed.

R-0071 RECEIVED: November 8, 2021. Oceana County – Resolution Regarding Changes to the Open Meetings Act. Received and filed.

R-0072 RECEIVED: November 10, 2021. City of Ypsilanti – Resolution Regarding Senate Bill 0358. Received and filed.

3. Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved that the following reports be received: Report of Standing Committees: Ways & Means (11/3/2021) and Working Session (11/4/2021). Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
4. Report of Special Committees - None.
5. Other Reports
 - A. Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved that the following reports be received: A report on contracts in the amount of \$25,000 and under from October 27, 2021 through November 10, 2021. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
 - B. Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved that the following reports be received: A report from the Washtenaw County Road Commission on the summary of service requests for the month of October, 2021. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
6. Report of the Treasurer - None.

IX. RESOLUTIONS

1. Ways & Means - November 3, 2021
 - A. **21-194** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Jason Morgan, moved that the resolution authorizing the 2021-2022 Emergency Manager Performance Grant agreement with the Michigan State Police from the Office of the Sheriff be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
 - B. **21-195** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Jason Morgan, moved that the resolution approving a project to create a Strategic Facilities Plan, or Space Plan, for Washtenaw County be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
 - C. **21-196** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Jason Morgan, moved that the resolution approving the FY2022 Drug Court Grant from the Michigan State Court Administrative Office to the Trial Court be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
2. Ways & Means - November 17, 2021
 - A. **21-197** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Jason Morgan, moved that the resolution approving the 2021 Apportionment Report be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

3. Board of Commissioners - November 17, 2021

A. Commissioner Hodge discussed a proposed alternate calendar for 2022.

Commissioners Hodge, Maciejewski, Morgan, LaBarre, Scott, Jefferson, and Beeman discussed Board of Commissioners, Ways & Means, and Working Session options for 2022 meetings.

Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Ricky Jefferson, moved that the resolution approving the 2022 Calendar of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners be postponed to a time certain. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

B. Commissioners Beeman, Scott, Shink, Morgan, and Hodge discussed considerations regarding implementation of a Covid-19 vaccine requirement for county employees.

Administrator Dill indicated discussions to address this policy are in progress.

21-198 Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Jason Morgan, moved that the resolution directing the County Administrator to develop a COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement for County Employees be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 8 NAYS 1 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

C. **21-199** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Jason Morgan, moved that the **SUPPLEMENTAL** - resolution authorizing the submission of an employer letter of intent for the child care networks tri-share pilot expansion application be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

4. Approval of Claims

A. **21-200** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Jason Morgan, moved that the resolution authorizing the payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of November 5, 2021 be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

X. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Dill informed the county has developed a framework for a series of holiday pop-ups to celebrate the holidays in a healthy, socially-distanced manner.

XI. REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

None.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

Commissioner Jefferson asked if the community priority fund document would be ready by Friday November 19th and informed of a clerical error in his term length for a recent appointment. Administrator Dill stated an update would be ready early next week. Commissioners LaBarre, Maciejewski, Jefferson, and Scott spoke about resuming in-person meetings in 2022.

XIII. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

Comm. Caroline Sanders, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved to adjourn. Voice vote - motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:09 PM.

Sue Shink, Chair

Lawrence

Kestenbaum,

Clerk/Register

By: Robert Mulcahy, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: