



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 4, 2023

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

A session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held at the Administration Building, in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on January 4, 2023.

The meeting was called to order at 07:00 PM by County Clerk Lawrence Kestenbaum.

Members Present: Comms. Shannon Beeman, Justin Hodge, Andy LaBarre, Crystal Lyte, Jason Maciejewski, Yousef Rabhi, Caroline Sanders, Katie Scott, Annie Somerville

Members Absent: None.

Others Present County Administrator, Greg Dill; Andrew DeLeeus, Interim Deputy County Administrator; Michelle Billard and Michael Auten, Corporation Counsel; Alize Asberry Payne, Racial Equity; Jeff Rose & Brian Mason, ITS; Candace Reum and Crystal Campbell, County Administration; Lawrence Kestenbaum and Robert Mulcahy, Clerk's Office; and members of the public.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Zachary Storey asked the Board of Commissioners how many individuals are unhoused in Washtenaw County.

Lee Tooson from Ypsilanti congratulated Commissioner Somerville and sang a variation of "A Change is Gonna Come" to Commissioner Somerville.

Washtenaw County Road Commissioner Jo Ann McCollum congratulated the Board of Commissioners and stated she is looking forward to working with them.

Ypsilanti Mayor Nicole Brown congratulated the Board of Commissioners and stated she is looking forward to working with them.

State Senator Sue Shink from Northfield Township congratulated the Board of Commissioners and stated she is looking forward to working with them.

Ypsilanti Township Park Commissioner Tajalli Hodge congratulated the Board of Commissioners on winning their elections. She noted the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners now has a unique composition as a majority minority board and a majority female board.

Alyshia Dyer thanked the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners for their desire to serve.

Me'Chelle King congratulated the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners and stated she is looking forward to working with them.

1. Written Public Comment

IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Commissioner LaBarre responded to Mr. Storey's public comment, noting that the Continuum of Care stated as of November 2021, there are 371 unhoused individuals in Washtenaw County. Commissioner LaBarre stated he does not know the accuracy of that number and suspects it is higher.

V. LIAISON REPORTS

None.

VI. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Washtenaw County Clerk Lawrence Kestenbaum swore in the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners.
2. **23-001** Comm. Jason Maciejewski moved to place in nomination Comm. Justin Hodge as Chair of the Board. By a unanimous voice vote, Comm. Justin Hodge was elected as Chair of the Board of Commissioners for the ensuring year. Comm. Justin Hodge took the Chair.

23-002 Comm. Crystal Lyte moved to place in nomination Comm. Sanders as ViceChair of the Board. By a unanimous voice vote, Comm. Sanders was elected as Vice Chair of the Board of Commissioners for the ensuring year.

3. **23-003** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that the resolution adopting the Rules & Regulations of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
4. **23-004** Comm. Yousef Rabhi moved to place in nomination Comm. Somerville as Chair of the Working Session Committee. By a unanimous voice vote, Comm. Somerville was elected as Chair of the Working Session Committee for the ensuing year.

23-005 Comm. Justin Hodge moved to place in nomination Comm. LaBarre as Vice-Chair of the Working Session Committee. By a unanimous voice vote, Comm. LaBarre was elected as Vice Chair of the Working Session Committee for the ensuing year.

VII. APPOINTMENTS

1. **23-006** Comm. Justin Hodge, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that the resolution appointing commissioners to various boards, committees, commissions, and agencies for various terms be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved that the minutes of the December 7, 2022 meeting of the Board of Commissioners be approved. Voice vote - 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. Voice vote - motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

R-0001 RECEIVED: December 30, 2022. Alcona County Board of Commissioners: Resolution #2022-18 Support for Economic Impact Study of Consumers Energy Dams. Received and filed.

R-0002 RECEIVED: December 30, 2022. Ingham Intermediate School District: Annual Summer Tax Resolution. Received and filed.

3. Report of Standing Committees - None.
4. Report of Special Committees - None.
5. Other Reports - None.
6. Report of the Treasurer - None.

IX. RESOLUTIONS
None.

X. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
None.

XI. REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner Hodge thanked voters for trusting him to serve the county, thanked fellow commissioners for the privilege of serving the board, and thanked friends and family for their tireless support. Commissioner Hodge made commitments as Chair of the Board of Commissioners: to be accessible to commissioners and work with them to achieve their goals, to be a collaborative partner to the administrator and administrative team, to grow the partnership between the Board of Commissioners and countywide elected officials and their offices, to make Washtenaw County the best place the staff has ever worked, and to make Washtenaw County a home where everyone can thrive.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION
Commissioner Sanders reminded the public that the United Way 21-day equity challenge starts on January 9th.
Commissioner LaBarre welcomed Commissioners Lyte and Somerville and welcomed back Commissioner Rabhi.

XIII. PENDING
None.

XIV. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION
Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved to adjourn. Voice vote - motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 07:36 PM.

Justin Hodge, Chair

Lawrence
Kestenbaum,
Clerk/Register
By: Robert Mulcahy, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: January 18, 2023