



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 5, 2025

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by members of the Washtenaw County 4H club.

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 November 5, 2025.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Comm. Scott, Chair of the Board of Commissioners.

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

Members Absent: Comms. Yousef Rabhi

Others Present Greg Dill, County Administrator; Andrew DeLeeuw, Deputy County Administrator; Michelle Billard, Corporation Counsel; Tina Gavalier & Catherine Jones-Alther, Finance; Guillermo Hernandez, Director of Human Resources; Brady Peck, Director of Operations; Terrence Williams, Administration; Jeff Rose, ITS; Ashley Hall, Director of Board Operations; Tabatha Reynolds, Board of Commissioners Constituent Outreach Coordinator; Brenden McArthur, Clerk's Office; and members of the public.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Jenise Thompson, Chair of Washtenaw County Community Action Board, and Kathy Wyatt, Vice Chair, provided a letter of recognition to the Board of Commissioners and various other agencies in the county.

Marianne Opal, Executive Director of Milan Seniors for Healthy Living, thanked the Board of Commissioners and members of the administration team for supporting MSHL.

Courtney Hanalon, Ypsilanti Township and Director of MOW, thanked the Board of Commissioners for support of older adults in the county.

Janet Hunko, Housing Bureau of Seniors, spoke about the Senior Crisis Intervention Program(SCIP).

Yvonne Kudney, Housing Bureau of Seniors, spoke about the Senior Crisis Intervention Program(SCIP).

Barbara Niess-May, CEO of Ypsilanti Meals on Wheels, thanked the Board of Commissioners for compassion for older adults and spoke about the services Meals on Wheels provides.

Chris Brown, Supportive Services Director for Meals on Wheels, thanked the Board of Commissioners for their investment in the program and provided testimony from MOW recipients.

Anna Packroll, Executive Director of the Dexter Senior Center, spoke about the increasing need for support for older adults.

Chrissy Taylor, Senior Director of Community Assistance at Jewish Family Services, thanked the Board of Commissioners for their support of older adults in the county and spoke about the threat of funding cuts from the Federal Government.

Jeremy Haley, Ypsilanti Township, spoke about public safety concerns.

Madden Linden, Ypsilanti Township, thanked the Board of Commissioners for their support of older adults in the county and spoke about a client who benefits from SCIP.

IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Comm. Somerville addressed funding for older adults and senior centers.

Comm. Hodge thanked those who spoke during public comment, addressed public safety concerns, and recognized online public comment.

Comm. Beeman thanked the 4H youth for leading the pledge and those who are advocating for seniors.

Comm. Lyte thanked all those who gave public comments and who are supporting seniors.

Comm. Scott spoke about the importance of food assistance.

V. LIAISON REPORTS

VI. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. County Administrator Greg Dill provided an update on progress being made at the Eastern Washtenaw Community Rec Center.
2. Catherine Jones Alther, Finance/Budget Operations Director, provided a Q3 budget update.

VII. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chair Scott provided a few brief updates.

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Beeman, moved that the Commissioners enter Closed Session to review Fox v Washtenaw (foreclosure litigation), negotiation strategy for union negotiations, and receive an opinion from Corporation Counsel. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1 ABSENT. Motion carried.

The Commissioners returned from closed session at 10:10 PM.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **25-211** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to set a public hearing on the 2026-2029 Quadrennial Budget be approved. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1 ABSENT. Motion carried.
2. **25-212** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to set a Public Hearing on the Brownfield Plan for 716 Sandborn Rd, Manchester, MI be approved. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1 ABSENT. Motion carried.

IX. APPOINTMENTS

1. **25-213** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing a member to the Board of Public Works be approved. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1 ABSENT. Motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Somerville, moved that the minutes of the October 15, 2025 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. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Somerville, 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-0065 RECEIVED: October 14, 2025: Grand Traverse County: Resolution Requesting That the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Release Additional Funds from the National Opioid Litigation Settlements

R-0066 RECEIVED: October 15, 2025: City of Ypsilanti: Resolution Affirming October 2025 as Transgender Empowerment Month

R-0067 RECEIVED: October 21, 2025: Washtenaw County Office of Community & Economic Development (OCED): Barrier Busters Q3 Report

R-0068 RECEIVED: October 24, 2025: Grand Traverse County: Resolution Opposing MDHHS Plan to for Competitive Procurement Process for Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans

R-0069 RECEIVED: October 24, 2025: City of Ann Arbor Planning Division: 63-Day Review Period for the Comprehensive Plan is Open

R-0070 RECEIVED: October 27, 2025: Washtenaw County Community Action Board: Letter of Recognition and Appreciation

R-0071 RECEIVED: October 27, 2025: Leelanau County: Resolution Opposing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' Plan to Implement a Competitive Procurement Process for Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan

3. None.
4. None.

5.

- A. Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Somerville, moved that the following reports be received: A report on contracts in the amount of \$25,000 and under from October 7, 2025 through October 28, 2025. Voice vote - motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

6. None.

XI. RESOLUTIONS

1.

- A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution approving the 2026 budget of the Washtenaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau, doing business as Destination Ann Arbor, from Administration be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.
- B. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the signature of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners on a ten-year management agreement with the Washtenaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau, doing business as Destination Ann Arbor from Administration be approved.

Commissioner discussion regarding this item ensued.

Voice vote - motion carried.

- C. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution amending the Older Adults Millage Framework, adding Milan Seniors for Healthy Living to the list of qualified senior centers in Washtenaw County, and allocating \$128,000 to Milan Seniors for Healthy Living be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.
- D. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution approving the 2025 3rd Quarter General Fund and Non-General Fund Non-Structural Budget Adjustments from Finance be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.
- E. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to adopt the 2026-2029 Quadrennial Budget be approved.

Commissioner comment regarding this item ensued.

Voice vote - motion carried.

- F. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to approve contract 57321 with Wayne State University to provide an evaluation of case management services for the MAT program be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.

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- A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution allocating Older Persons Millage funds to Senior Nutrition Program providers through March 31, 2026 be approved.

Commissioner comment regarding this item ensued.

Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- B. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution allocating \$100,000 of the Older Persons Millage funds to a Local Food Bank and \$100,000 of the Older Persons Millage funds to the Senior Crisis Intervention Program be approved. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1 ABSENT. Motion carried.

4.

- A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Claims Commencing With the Last Previously Approved Claim and Continuing Through the Date of October 27, 2025 be approved. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1 ABSENT. Motion carried.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

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XIII. PENDING

XIV. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

Comm. Somerville, seconded by Comm. Sanders, moved to adjourn. Voice vote - motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:39 PM.

Katie Scott, Chair of
the Board of
Commissioners

Lawrence
Kestenbaum,
Clerk/Register

By: Brenden McArthur, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: November 19, 2025