



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 3, 2025

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 December 3, 2025.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Comm. Scott, Chair of the Board of Commissioners.

Members Present: Comms. Shannon Beeman, Justin Hodge, Andy LaBarre, Crystal Lyte, Jason Maciejewski, Yousef Rabhi(left meeting prior to adjournment), Caroline Sanders, Katie Scott, Annie Somerville

Members Absent: Comms.

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; Lawrence Kestenbaum, County Clerk; Rena Basch, Director of Elections; and members of the public.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Arthur Thomas, Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office, spoke opposing lockdowns in jails.

Carol Westfall, Freedom Township, spoke regarding the MMPC's written plan.

Alex Thomas, Ypsilanti Township, spoke regarding concerns regarding law enforcement and inequality.

Christine Miksell, Freedom Township, spoke in opposition of biodigesters.

Matthew Crouch, Freedom Township, spoke regarding various safety concerns regarding biodigesters.

Laura Sanders, Dexter Township, spoke in support of the County Sheriff.

Brenda Anderson, Scio Township, spoke in support of not cooperating with ICE's requests for the county ID files.

Beth Kennedy, Ann Arbor, spoke in support of not cooperating with ICE's requests for the county ID files.

Emmy Destell, Ypsilanti, spoke against lockdowns in jail and in support of the County Sheriff.

Tad Wiser, Ypsilanti Township, spoke about the tension between the Sheriff and the BOC.

Jeremy Haley, Ypsilanti Township, spoke about drug issues in the women's prison and private corporations buying small businesses.

Leslie McGraw, Washtenaw County, spoke in support of the Washtenaw County Sheriff.

Bob King, Ann Arbor, spoke about concerns he has regarding divisions in the County.

Ginger Chase, Scio Township, spoke about concerns regarding the interactions between the BOC and the Sheriff.

Trische Duckworth, spoke about concerns regarding the interactions between the BOC and the Sheriff.

Floki Ivy, Ypsilanti, spoke in support of the elected County Sheriff and in opposition of moving the Sheriff's HR.

Desirae Simmons, spoke about county jail conditions.

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IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Comm. Beeman thanked Freedom Township residents for coming to talk about the biodigester and acknowledged their concerns.

Comm. LaBarre thanked residents for their comments and their support of opposing ICE.

Comm. Scott thanked everyone for coming and being involved.

V. LIAISON REPORTS

None.

VI. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

None.

VII. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

None.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

None.

IX. APPOINTMENTS

1. **25-232** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Advisory Council on Reparations be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
2. **25-233** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Agricultural Lands and Preservation Advisory Committee be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
3. **25-234** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Board of Health be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
4. **25-235** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Public Works Board be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
5. **25-236** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
6. **25-237** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Community Action Board be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
7. **25-238** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Criminal Justice Collaborative Council (CJCC) be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
8. **25-239** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Environmental Council be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
9. **25-240** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Food Policy Council be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
10. **25-241** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Historic District Commission be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
11. **25-242** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution recommending names of individuals to the State Emergency Planning Community Right-to-Know Commission for appointment to serve on the Washtenaw County Local Emergency Planning Commission be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
12. **25-243** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Natural Areas Technical Advisory Committee be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
13. **25-244** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing a member to the Washtenaw County Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

14. **25-245** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved that the minutes of the November 19, 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. None.
3. None.
4. None.
- 5.
- A. Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved that the following reports be received: A report on contracts in the amount of \$25,000 and under from November 12, 2025 through November 25, 2025. Voice vote - motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
6. None.

XI. RESOLUTIONS

1. None.
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- A. **25-246** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to adopt the 716 Sanborn Rd Brownfield Plan, in the City of Manchester, MI, from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 1(Rabhi) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- 3.
- A. **25-247** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to allocate \$155,000 of Board of Commissioners Priority Project Funds to Barrier Busters for renter support be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- B. **25-248** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation in the amount of \$7,000 for Barrier Busters from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- C. **25-249** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution transferring human resources administration for the Sheriff's Office to the County Human Resources Department be approved. Commissioner discussion ensued. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1(Rabhi) ABSENT. Motion carried.
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- A. **25-250** 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 November 24, 2025 be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved that the Commissioners enter closed session to review collective bargaining negotiation strategy and pending litigation Wasseem, Talal V. Washtenaw County, et al. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1(Rabhi) ABSENT. Motion carried at 8:10 P.M.

The Commissioners returned from closed session at 8:36 P.M.

XIII. PENDING

None.

XIV. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved to adjourn. Voice vote - motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

Katie Scott, Chair of
the Board of
Commissioners

Lawrence
Kestenbaum,
Clerk/Register

By: Brenden McArthur, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: January 7, 2026