



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 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 March 17, 2021.

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM by Comm. Shink, Chair of the Board of Commissioners.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present County Administrator, Greg Dill; Diane Heidt, Deputy County Administrator; Michelle Billard, Corporation Counsel; Kelly Belknap & team, Finance; Andrew DeLeeuw & team, OIM; Monica Boote, Human Resources; Teresa Gillotti, OCED; Alize Asberry Payne & Crystal Campbell, Racial Equity Office; Jimena Loveluck, Health Department; Peter Lindeman, County Administration; Edwin Peart, Clerk's Office; and members of the public.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None.

IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None.

V. LIAISON REPORTS

Comm. Maciejewski shared statistics from the Area Agency on Aging 1-B's 2020 FY report, saying that within the Washtenaw County network, AAA 1-B distributed 30,000 pieces of PPE, over 253,000 meals on wheels, over 9,000 boxes of emergency food, and assisted 1,100 people with counseling and enrollment guidance (Medicaid sign-up and Medicare enrollment). He ended by saying this work has helped 1/3 of adults in the community, with over \$5.5 million in programs and services being allocated in Washtenaw County.

Comm. Shink reported on the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, referring to a project in

Manchester Twp. that includes Acorn Market and plans to clean up land where the Boys and Girls Club was located.

VI. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

VII. APPOINTMENTS

1. **21-039** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution extending the Environmental Council through March 31, 2022 and appointing members through March 31, 2022 be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
2. **21-040** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution appointing a member to the Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

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

R-0017 RECEIVED: March 2, 2021. A resolution from the Crawford County Board of Commissioners in support of local businesses. Received and filed.
3. Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that the following reports be received: Report of Standing Committees: Ways & Means (3/3/21) and Working Session (3/4/21). Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
4. Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that the following reports be received: Report of Special Committees: Food Policy Council, ALPAC, Emergency Communications Millage POC, Youth Commission, LEPC, Broadband Taskforce, Historic District Commission, Social Services Board, Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Road Commission, Board of Public Works, Board of Health, and Environmental Council. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
5. Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that the following reports be received: Other Reports. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
 - A. A report on contracts in the amount of \$25,000 and under from February 24, 2021 through March 10, 2021
 - B. A report from the Washtenaw County Road Commission on the summary of service requests for the month of February, 2021

6. Report of the Treasurer

IX. RESOLUTIONS

1. Ways & Means - March 3, 2021

- A. **21-041** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution approving the receipt of all formula grants starting during the 2021 calendar year from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
- B. **21-042** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution approving the agreement with the Police Officers Association of Michigan, Washtenaw County, and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024 be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
- C. **21-043** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution ratifying the signature of the County Administrator on the 2021-2022 Prescription for Health program Memorandum of Understanding with the Saint Joseph Mercy Health System be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
- D. **21-044** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution authorizing the signature of the County Administrator on the 2021 agreement with the State of Michigan for the Medical Marijuana Operation and Oversight Grant be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

2. Board of Commissioners - March 17, 2021

- A. **21-045** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution in support of the requirement of the cleanup of land and water to residential land use or drinking water standards by polluters be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
- B. **21-046** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution in support of expanding solar energy through the lifting of the statewide cap on distributed energy distribution be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
- C. **21-047** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution requesting that DTE Energy revise its planned allocation of COVID-related revenue surplus to instead address customers impacted by COVID-19 be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
- D. **21-048** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution recognizing March 31, 2021 as Transgender Day of Visibility in Washtenaw County and supporting the display of the Transgender Pride Flag be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.
- E. **21-049** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution amending the Board of Commissioners annual calendar of meetings be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

F. **21-050** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution declaring a Local State of Emergency within Washtenaw County as of March 17, 2021 to continue through December 31, 2021 due to the sustained presence of COVID-19 be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

3. Approval of Claims

A. **21-051** Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Katie Scott, moved that a resolution authorizing payment of claims with the last previously adopted claims and continuing through the date of March 5, 2021 be approved. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

X. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Greg thanked the County's labor partners for collaborating on the local state of emergency document, and reported on a meeting with EMU President James Smith.

XI. REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

None.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

Comm. Andy LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Justin Hodge, moved to direct the County Administrator to prepare, sign, and submit a letter to the Office of Representative Dingell which contains a list of those projects and programs which the County would like to be considered for federal funding support; to review this letter with Board Leadership prior to its submission; and to inform the Board of Commissioners of its contents prior to submission. Roll Call Vote: YEAS 9 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0 Motion carried.

XIII. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

Comm. Katie Scott, seconded by Comm. Andy LaBarre, moved to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Sue Shink, Chair

Lawrence
Kestenbaum,
Clerk/Register
By: Edwin Peart, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: 4/7/21