



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1200 N. Telegraph Road, Bldg. 12 East, Pontiac, MI 48341

Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee

Yolanda Smith Charles, Chair

April 2, 2025 at 9:30 AM

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Yolanda Smith Charles called the meeting of the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee to order at 09:44 AM in Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley (7)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: (0)

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Robert Smiley led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Jennifer Whitteaker.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated March 12, 2025 (Including Closed Session)

Linnie Taylor moved **approval of the Minutes dated March 12, 2025 (Including Closed Session), as presented.** Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Brendan Johnson moved **approval of the agenda, as presented.** Seconded by William Miller III.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

6. Public Comment

None.

7. Communications

a. Economic Development - Planning and Local Business Development - Unlocking Capital on Main Street Grant Application

Gwen Markham moved to **receive and file the attached Communication**.
Seconded by William Miller III.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

9. Consent Agenda

a. Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation with the Township of Addison for Tri-Party Road Improvement Program – Project No. 58132

b. Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation with the City of Southfield for Tri-Party Road Improvement Program – Project No. 57551

c. Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation with the Charter Township of Highland for Tri-Party Road Improvement Program – Project No. 58142

Philip Weipert moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action for Consent Agenda Items 9a, 9b, and 9c**. Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

10. Water Resources Commissioner Recommendations

- a. **Water Resources Commissioner - Pledging Oakland County's Full Faith and Credit to Issue Bonds for Improvements to the Evergreen-Farmington Sanitary Drain Drainage District**

William Miller III moved to **forward to Finance the attached suggested resolution**. Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

- b. **Water Resources Commissioner - Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds for Improvements to the City of Pontiac Water Distribution System**

Linnie Taylor moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolution**. Seconded by Brendan Johnson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

8. Presentations

- a. **Executive's Office - Pontiac Redevelopment Project Update**

Linnie Taylor moved to **receive and file the attached Pontiac Redevelopment Project Update Presentation**. Seconded by Brendan Johnson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

11. Economic Development Department Recommendations

- a. **Economic Development - Business Development - Presbyterian Village Oakland Woods III 4% Brownfield Redevelopment Plan located in the City of Pontiac**

Linnie Taylor moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action**. Seconded by Brendan Johnson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

- b. Economic Development - Business Development - Presbyterian Village Oakland Woods III 9% Brownfield Redevelopment Plan located in the City of Pontiac**

Robert Smiley moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action.**

Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

- c. Economic Development - Aviation and Transportation - Oakland/Southwest Airport Acquisition of Avigation Easements**

Linnie Taylor moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolution.** Seconded by Robert Smiley.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

12. Parks and Recreation Commission Recommendations

- a. Parks & Recreation - DTE Electric Overhead and Underground Easement for Utility Upgrade at Glen Oaks Golf Course**

William Miller III moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor, Robert Smiley

No: None

Abstain: None

13. Public Comment

None.

14. Other Business/Adjournment

Commissioners' Comments

Speakers:

Yolanda Smith Charles

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 AM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.