



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

Democratic Caucus Minutes

May 1, 2025 at 5:00 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Powell called the meeting of the Democratic Caucus to order at 05:15 PM in Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Cavell, Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Brendan Johnson, Penny Luebs, Gwen Markham, Kristen Nelson, Angela Powell, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, David Woodward (11)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: William Miller III (1)

3. Public Comment

The following people addressed the Caucus during Public Comment #1: Joe Rozell, 2nd Vice President UAW Local 889, and Joe Ferrari, Oxford Township Treasurer.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated April 10, 2025

Linnie Taylor moved **approval of the Minutes dated April 10, 2025, as presented**. Seconded by Penny Luebs.

Motion Passed.

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the Minutes dated April 10, 2025, were approved.

5. Discussion Items

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Finance Committee item entitled: Management and Budget - Establishment of Standard Contract and Rates for Real and Personal Property Assessment Administration Services for Oakland County Communities.

Discussion followed.

Chief Financial Officer Brian Lefler addressed the Caucus regarding the Establishment of Standard Contract and Rates for Real and Personal Property Assessment Administration Services.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Smith Charles addressed the Caucus regarding Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee item entitled: Water Resources Commissioner - Planning and Collaboration for Construction of a New Public Works Building at the Bicentennial Oaks Park Site.

Discussion followed.

Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner Jim Nash addressed the Caucus.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Oakland County School Resource Officer contracts as well as the resolution introduced by Commissioner Hoffman urging the Governor to grant clemency to Temujin Kensu, which will be referred to LAGO committee.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Markham addressed the Caucus to announce her intent to resign from the Airport Committee.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Cavell addressed the Caucus to announce that a resolution regarding the ethics policy will be introduced and referred to the Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee.

Commissioner Nelson addressed the Caucus to announce that a resolution will be introduced to establish financial disclosure obligations for county and appointed officials.

Commissioner Luebs addressed the Caucus to request a meeting with the Executive team and three members of the Road Commission, regarding the Road Commission Project.

Discussion followed.

Chair Powell requested that the Administration provide an update on the status of the downtown Pontiac project.

Chair Powell addressed the Caucus to read the Caucus announcements.

Commissioner Nelson addressed the Caucus to announce that the deadline to select a senior for acknowledgment is May 14th.

Discussion followed.

6. Public Comment

The following people addressed the Caucus during Public Comment #2: Steve Guerra and Mary Gillis.

Chair Powell addressed the Caucus regarding Commissioner Hoffman's resolution urging the Governor to grant clemency to Temujin Kensu, which will be referred to the LAGO

committee.

Chair Powell called a recess at 06:42 PM.

Chair Powell called the Caucus to reconvene at 08:57 PM.

Roll Call

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Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding an amendment to Finance Committee item entitled: Management and Budget - Establishment of Standard Contract and Rates for Real and Personal Property Assessment Administration Services for Oakland County Communities.

Discussion followed.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 PM.