



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

Claims Review Committee

Gwen Markham, Chair
June 3, 2025 at 3:00 PM

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Gwen Markham called the meeting of the Claims Review Committee to order at 03:11 PM in Pernick-Aaron Conference Room 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Diana McBroom, Solon Phillips, Robert Erlenbeck (5)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: (0)

3. Approval of Agenda

Diana McBroom moved **approval of the agenda, as presented**. Seconded by Robert Erlenbeck.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Diana McBroom, Solon Phillips, Robert Erlenbeck

No: None

Abstain: None

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Closed Session

a. Corporation Counsel - Reconsideration of Request for Legal Counsel Outside of County-Approved Firms

Solon Phillips moved to **reconsider the Request for Legal Counsel Outside of County-Approved Firms**. Seconded by Diana McBroom.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Diana McBroom, Solon Phillips, Robert

Erlenbeck
No: None
Abstain: None

Diana McBroom moved to **enter into closed session for the purpose of consulting with attorneys regarding trial or settlement strategy related to Judicial Tenure Commission Investigation No. 2020-24043 and Request for Legal Counsel Outside of County-Approved Firms.** Seconded by Solon Phillips.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Diana McBroom, Solon Phillips, Robert Erlenbeck
No: None
Abstain: None

The Committee went into closed session at 3:13 PM
The Committee resumed in open session at 4:32 PM

Diana McBroom moved to **authorize the Honorable Kirsten Nielsen Hartig, 52-4 District Court Judge, to retain Donald Campbell of the law firm Collins Einhorn Farrell (CEF) for legal representation related to Judicial Tenure Commission Investigation No. 2020-24043, and to approve the proposed retainer agreement dated May 6, 2025. Under the terms of the agreement, Collins Einhorn Farrell will charge an hourly rate of \$350 for Mr. Campbell, \$300 for other partners, \$250 for associates, and \$150 for paralegals. The agreement also establishes a minimum billing increment of 0.2 hours per task. The engagement is open-ended and may be terminated by either party upon written notice.** Seconded by Solon Phillips.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (3-2-0)

Yes: Gwen Markham, Diana McBroom, Robert Erlenbeck
No: David Woodward, Solon Phillips
Abstain: None

6. Public Comment

None.

7. Other Business/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 04:36 PM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.