



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

Legislative Affairs & Government Operations Committee

Brendan Johnson, Chair

July 8, 2025 at 9:00 AM

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Brendan Johnson called the meeting of the Legislative Affairs & Government Operations Committee to order at 09:00 AM in Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Robert Hoffman, Brendan Johnson, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor (8)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: (0)

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Brendan Johnson led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated June 3, 2025

Penny Luebs moved **approval of the Minutes dated June 3, 2025, as presented.** Seconded by Karen Joliat.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (8-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Robert Hoffman, Brendan Johnson, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Marcia Gershenson moved to **approve the attached Agenda, as presented.** Seconded by Penny Luebs.

Robert Hoffman moved to **amend the Agenda by adding an item, Resolution Supporting Humanity, Peace, and Ceasefires Worldwide.** Seconded by Kristen Nelson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-3-0)

Yes: Robert Hoffman, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor

No: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Brendan Johnson

Abstain: None

Linnie Taylor moved to **amend the Agenda by placing Public Comment at the end of the Agenda.** Seconded by Brendan Johnson.

Motion Failed.

Vote Summary (3-5-0)

Yes: Marcia Gershenson, Brendan Johnson, Linnie Taylor

No: Ann Erickson Gault, Robert Hoffman, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson

Abstain: None

Main motion, as amended.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-2-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Robert Hoffman, Brendan Johnson, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson

No: Marcia Gershenson, Linnie Taylor

Abstain: None

6. Public Comment

Mary Gillis, Road Commission Oakland County; Farers Akimt, Bloomfield Hills resident; Fabrice Smieli, Troy resident; Lewis Elbringer, Pleasant Ridge resident; Nabil Sater, Bloomfield Hills resident; Mike Flores, Troy resident; Alice Malik, Novi resident; Farah Rhau, Northville resident.

Commissioners' Comments

Speakers:

Brendan Johnson

7. Communications

a. **Clerk/Register of Deeds - Grant Application - FY 2026 Legal Self-Help Centers Grant**

b. **Human Resources - Personnel Appeal Board Update - June 2025**

Penny Luebs moved to **receive and file the attached Communications.**

Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (8-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Robert Hoffman, Brendan

Johnson, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor
No: None
Abstain: None

8. Presentations

a. **Board of Commissioners - Legislative Update**

Jim Ryan, Public Affairs Associates, gave a brief update of legislation at the state level.

9. Human Resources Recommendations

a. **Human Resources - 2025 Supplemental Collective Bargaining Agreements and Letter of Agreements for Employees Represented by the United Auto Workers, Local 889 (UAW), Representing Department of Parks & Recreation, Indigent Defense Services Office, the Department of Information Technology, Water Resources Commissioners Office, Sheriff's Office, Department of Economic Development and Department of Public Services**

Ann Erickson Gault moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action**.
Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-3-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Brendan Johnson, Penny Luebs, Linnie Taylor

No: Robert Hoffman, Karen Joliat, Kristen Nelson

Abstain: None

COMMITTEE RECESSED AT 10:06 AM

COMMITTEE RECONVENED AT 10:15 AM

b. **Human Resources - Deferred Compensation 457(b) Plan Amendment**

Linnie Taylor moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action**. Seconded by Karen Joliat.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (8-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Robert Hoffman, Brendan Johnson, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

10. Parks & Recreation Recommendations

a. **Parks & Recreation - Creation of Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation Position**

Linnie Taylor moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action**.
Seconded by Penny Luebs.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (8-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Robert Hoffman, Brendan Johnson, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

b. Parks & Recreation - Purchase of Fitness Court at Catalpa Oaks

Linnie Taylor moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action**.
Seconded by Ann Erickson Gault.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (8-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Robert Hoffman, Brendan Johnson, Karen Joliat, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

11. Board of Commissioners Recommendations

a. Board of Commissioners - Materials Management Planning Committee Appointment

Robert Hoffman moved to **recommend the appointment of Bailee Pasienza, SEMCOG representative, to the Materials Management Planning Committee, for the remainder of the term ending June 12, 2029**. Seconded by Ann Erickson Gault.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Robert Hoffman, Brendan Johnson, Karen Joliat, Kristen Nelson, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

b. Board of Commissioners - Resolution Affirming Oakland County's Commitment to Peace, Humanity, and Global Compassion

Robert Hoffman moved to **recommend to Board the attached resolution**.
Seconded by Kristen Nelson.

Ann Erickson Gault moved to **postpone consideration of this item until the next meeting**. Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-3-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Brendan Johnson, Penny Luebs,
Linnie Taylor

No: Robert Hoffman, Karen Joliat, Kristen Nelson

Abstain: None

12. Other Business/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.