



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

Public Health & Safety Committee

Penny Luebs, Chair

November 4, 2025 at 10:30 AM

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Penny Luebs called the meeting of the Public Health & Safety Committee to order at 10:30 AM in Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Angela Powell, Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor (6)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Michael Gingell (1)

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Penny Luebs led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated October 21, 2025

Marcia Gershenson moved **approval of the Minutes dated October 21, 2025, as presented.** Seconded by Michael Spisz.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Linnie Taylor moved **approval of the agenda, as presented.** Seconded by Ann Erickson Gault.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

6. Public Comment

None.

7. Presentation

a. **Board of Commissioners - Update from Common Ground**

Jeff Kapuscinski, Chief External Relations Officer, Common Ground; Heather Rae, President & Chief Executive Officer, Common Ground; Janet Sarkos, Chief Crisis Operations Officer, Common Ground; Leigh Schultenover, Chief Experience Officer, Common Ground; and Common Ground volunteers and staff members, provided an update on the operation of Common Ground. A discussion was held and committee members' questions were answered.

Michael Spisz moved to **receive and file the attached handouts provided by Common Ground**. Seconded by Ann Erickson Gault.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

8. Health & Human Services Recommendations

a. **Health & Human Services - Grant Acceptance from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for the FY 2026 Pontiac Integrated Urgent Care Grant**

b. **Health & Human Services - Amendment #1 to the Ballmer Group for Supporting Community Schools with Oakland County's Transition to Success Program – Southfield Schools**

Michael Spisz moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action for Health & Human Services Item 8a, and recommend to Board the proposed Board Action for Item 8b**. Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Angela Powell, Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

9. Prosecutor's Office Recommendations

a. **Prosecuting Attorney's Office - Grant Acceptance from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for the FY 2026 Crime Victims Rights Program**

Linnie Taylor moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action.**
Seconded by Michael Spisz.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Angela Powell,
Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

10. Sheriff's Office Recommendations

- a. **Sheriff's Office - Grant Acceptance from the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives for the FY 2026 Overtime Reimbursement Funds**

- b. **Sheriff's Office - Grant Acceptance from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for the FY 2026 Antiterrorism Emergency Assistance Program**

- c. **Sheriff's Office - Grant Acceptance from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the FY 2026 Off-Road Vehicle Law Enforcement Program**

Angela Powell moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action for Sheriff's Office Items 10a and 10b, and recommend to Board the proposed Board Action for Item 10c.** Seconded by Ann Erickson Gault.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Angela Powell,
Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

- d. **Sheriff's Office - Grant Amendment #1 to the FY 2025 Law Enforcement Distribution Program from the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards**

Angela Powell moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Michael Spisz.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Angela Powell,
Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

11. Board of Commissioners Recommendations

a. Board of Commissioners - Amendment #1 to the Oakland County Co-Responder Community Grant Program Agreement

Michael Spisz moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action.**
Seconded by Angela Powell.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Ann Erickson Gault, Marcia Gershenson, Penny Luebs, Angela Powell,
Michael Spisz, Linnie Taylor

No: None

Abstain: None

12. Public Comment

Margarette Gupta, Oakland Township Resident

Mat Danaskiss, Lake Orion Resident

13. Other Business/Adjournment

Commissioners' Comments

Speakers:

Angela Powell

Michael Spisz

Marcia Gershenson

Penny Luebs

Ann Erickson Gault

The meeting adjourned at 11:43 AM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.