



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

Legislative Affairs & Government Operations Committee

Brendan Johnson, Chair

July 7, 2026 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 09:07 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, Linnie Taylor (7)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: (0)

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Marcia Gershenson led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated June 2, 2026

Penny Luebs moved **approval of the Minutes dated June 2, 2026, as presented.** Seconded by Karen Joliat.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

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

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Marcia Gershenson moved **approval of the agenda, as presented.** Seconded by Penny Luebs.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

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

No: None
Abstain: None

6. Public Comment

Margarette Gupta, Oakland Township Resident

7. Presentations

a. Parks & Recreation - Parks and Recreation Millage Revenue Implementation Update

Chris Ward, Director, and Alan Jaros, Deputy Director, provided an update and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Parks and Recreation Millage Revenue Implementation. A discussion was held and committee members' questions were answered. The attached presentation titled 2024 Millage Initiative Implementation Update was received by the Committee.

8. Communications

a. Board of Commissioners - Appointments - 3rd Quarter Report

b. Board of Commissioners - Savi Impact Report - May 2026

c. Parks & Recreation - Grant Amendment for the FY 2025 National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Sustain Our Great Lakes Program

The attached Communications were received by the Committee.

9. Human Resources Recommendations

a. Human Resources - Approval of the Voluntary Early Separation Incentive Program (VESIP) for the Equalization Division

Proposed Board Action: approve the attached 2026 Voluntary Early Separation Incentive Program (VESIP/VESIP-C) for eligible full-time employees of the Equalization Division; further, authorize administration to implement the program, including payment of approved severance incentives in accordance with the terms of the VESIP; further, incorporate any necessary budget amendments into the County's quarterly budget forecast; further, require that any resulting position deletions be presented to the Board of Commissioners for separate approval.

Ann Erickson Gault moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action**. Seconded by Penny Luebs.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

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

No: None

Abstain: None

10. Board of Commissioners Recommendations

- a. **Board of Commissioners - Resolution Opposing Michigan Constitutional Amendment that Would Disenfranchise Oakland County Citizens**
Linnie Taylor moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolution**. Seconded by Marcia Gershenson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-2-0)

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

No: Robert Hoffman, Karen Joliat

Abstain: None

- b. **Board of Commissioners - Approval of the Articles of Incorporation Establishing the Southeast Michigan Public Historical Museum Authority**
Penny Luebs moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolution**. Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-2-0)

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

No: Robert Hoffman, Karen Joliat

Abstain: None

- c. **Board of Commissioners - Appointment to the Land Bank Authority**
Robert Hoffman moved to **recommend the reappointment of Pam Hansen, as Township Official representative, to the Land Bank Authority for a three-year term beginning August 18, 2026, and ending August 17, 2029**. Seconded by Marcia Gershenson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

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

No: None

Abstain: None

11. Other Business/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 AM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.