

OAKLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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June 8, 2021

Janet Jackson
Penny Luebs
Karen Joliat

Chairperson Nelson called the meeting of the Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee to order at 9:33 a.m. in Committee Room A, of the Courthouse Auditorium Wing, County Service Center in Pontiac, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kristen Nelson, Marcia Gershenson, Janet Jackson, Penny Luebs, Karen Joliat

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

Adam Kochenderfer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Nelson led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Jackson moved approval of the minutes of May 18, 2021, as presented. Seconded by Joliat.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Luebs moved approval of the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Jackson.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – RECOGNIZING THE GROWING DIVERSITY OF ITS RESIDENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGING THAT REFUGEES, IMMIGRANTS, AND ALL NEWCOMERS ENHANCE THE CULTURE AND THE ECONOMY BY DECLARING JUNE 20, 2021 AS WORLD REFUGEE DAY IN OAKLAND COUNTY**
2. **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – DESIGNATION OF JUNE 15, 2021 AS WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY**
3. **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – DESIGNATION OF JUNE 2021 AS IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH IN OAKLAND COUNTY**
4. **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – RECOGNITION OF THE 156TH ANNIVERSARY OF JUNETEENTH AND DESIGNATION OF JUNE 19, 2021 AS JUNETEENTH NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY IN OAKLAND COUNTY**

5. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – DESIGNATION OF JUNE 2021 AS LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH
6. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – DESIGNATION OF JUNE 2021 AS NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH IN OAKLAND COUNTY AND SUPPORT OF EFFORTS TO PROMOTE FIREARMS SAFETY

Gershenson moved to recommend approval of the attached suggested resolutions on the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Luebs.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Kochenderfer absent.

REGULAR AGENDA

7. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Jim Ryan, Lobbyist, Public Affairs Associates, gave a brief update on pending legislation at the State level.

8. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION – RECOGNIZING JULY AS PARK AND RECREATION MONTH

Luebs moved to recommend approval of the attached suggested resolution. Seconded by Joliat.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Kochenderfer absent.

9. HUMAN RESOURCES – SALARY ADMINISTRATION PLAN 2ND QUARTERLY REPORT FOR FY 2021

Jackson moved to recommend approval of the attached suggested resolution. Seconded by Gershenson.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Kochenderfer absent.

10. HUMAN RESOURCES – FISCAL YEAR 2020 WAGE REOPENER FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE OAKLAND COUNTY EMPLOYEES UNION, AFFILIATED WITH INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS LOCAL 58, AFL-CIO (OCEU)

Joliat moved to recommend approval of the attached suggested resolution. Seconded by Luebs.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Kochenderfer absent.

11. MR #21213 – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – FUNDING FOR OAKLAND COUNTY TOWNSHIPS TO REBUILD AND IMPROVE THE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE IN SUBDIVISIONS

Joliat moved to recommend approval of the attached suggested resolution. Seconded by Luebs.

Joliat moved to report to amend the resolution, as follows:

1. Amend the NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners advocates for the allocation of County funds received through the American Rescue Plan Act and contingent upon passing, the proposed American Job Plan -Infrastructure Package to Oakland County townships in order to rebuild and improve the road infrastructure in our subdivisions and to revitalize neighborhoods ***calls upon President Biden and U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen to take action to amend the Interim Final Rule implementing and***

defining eligible uses of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds released under the American Rescue Plan to authorize state, county, and local governments to expend funds for badly needed repairs to local roads, including neighborhood and subdivision roads.

2. Amend the 1st BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as follows:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners calls upon President Biden and the U.S. Department of the Treasury to qualify and allocate funds from the American Rescue Plan Act and dependent upon passage, the American Job Plan -Infrastructure Package to rebuild the road infrastructure in subdivisions in communities across America ***its delegation to Congress to address the lack of funding for badly needed repairs to neighborhood and subdivision roads as they deliberate upon road infrastructure legislation.***

3. Amend the 2nd BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as follows:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners calls upon the Governor of the State of Michigan and the Michigan Department of the Treasury to allocate funds from the American Rescue Plan Act and pend passing, the American Job Plan - Infrastructure Package directly to townships to rebuild the road infrastructure in subdivisions and revitalize neighborhoods within Oakland County ***and the Michigan Legislature to address the lack of funding for badly needed repairs to local subdivision roads and consider distributing subdivision roads allocation directly to Townships as they deliberate upon plans to expend state and federal funds for transportation infrastructure investments.***

Seconded by Luebs.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Kochenderfer absent.

Main motion, as amended, carried on a roll call vote with Gershenson voting no and Kochenderfer absent.

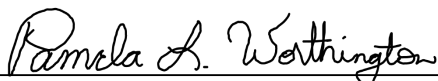
12. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – RECOMMEND THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION AND U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT TO ACT WITH URGENCY TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF DANNY FENSTER, AMERICAN JOURNALIST, FROM MYANMAR AND SECURE HIS SAFE RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES

Gershenson moved approval of the attached suggested resolution. Seconded by Jackson.

Motion carried on a roll call vote with Kochenderfer absent.

OTHER BUSINESS/ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.



Pamela L. Worthington, Committee Coordinator



Megan C. Sellers, Operations Supervisor

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.