

OAKLAND COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS MINUTES

March 2, 2023

Meeting called to order by Caucus Chair Janet Jackson at 5:02 p.m. in the Courthouse Committee Room A, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, Michigan.

Roll called.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Cavell, Jackson, Johnson, Luebs, Markham, McGillivray, Miller, Powell, Raman, Woodward. (10)
EXCUSED ABSENCE WITH NOTICE: Smith Charles, Nelson, Gershenson. (3)

Quorum present.

No one addressed the Caucus during Public Comment #1.

Moved by McGillivray seconded by Miller the minutes of the minutes of the February 16, 2023 Caucus be approved.

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the minutes were approved.

The members of the Caucus discussed the Board Agenda.

Commissioner McGillivray addressed the Caucus regarding Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee item entitled: Board of Commissioners – 2023-2024 Rules of Procedure and Guidelines of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward made a motion that a vote to approve the Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee entitled: Board of Commissioners – 2023-2024 Rules of Procedure and Guidelines of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, should be a Caucus position at tonight's Board meeting. Seconded by Miller.

Discussion followed.

Vote Summary (9-0-0)

Yes: Cavell, Jackson, Johnson, Luebs, Markham, McGillivray, Miller, Raman, Woodward.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

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Motion Passed.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus to announce the Tri-County Summit will be held on September 8, 2023 in Wayne County, the Open Meeting Acts training will be held on March 6, 2023, the State of the County Address will be held on March 14th, the Board of Commissioners and Jeffrey Matis, Oakland County Chief Circuit Judge, are discussing the continuation of the Mentor Plus Program and an update regarding the Oakland County Opioid Settlement.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus to announce the following resolutions will be introduced at tonight's Board meeting entitled: Board of Commissioners – Resolution Appropriating American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for the Oakland County Sheriff's Office New Training and Emergency Operation Center, Board of Commissioners – Resolution Appropriating American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for the Oakland Together Disability Grant Program and Board of Commissioners – Resolution Appropriating American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for the Oakland County Co-Responder Community Grant Program.

Commissioner Cavell addressed the Caucus to schedule an additional Caucus to address resolutions for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Commissioner McGillivray addressed the Caucus to announce the Parks & Recreation Department annual report has been released. He also stated there are plans to expand the Oakland County Farmers Market.

Commissioner Jackson addressed the Caucus to announce the Board of Commissioners retreat will be held March 17th through March 18th, 2023.

Commissioner Powell addressed the Caucus to request an update regarding American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) spending. She also requested a report from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Office.

Commissioner Raman addressed the Caucus to announce that the Oakland County Democratic Party will be hosting a fundraiser at Top Golf on March 12th, 2023.

Commissioner Markham addressed the Caucus regarding the DTE Energy power outages. She also requested the Oakland County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Department coordinate a response to check on the well-being of senior citizens during future extended power outages. She also stated the need for improving infrastructure developments.

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Commissioner Raman addressed the Caucus regarding transparency on hazardous waste materials when being transported through Oakland County.

No one addressed the Caucus during Public Comment #2.

The Caucus adjourned at 7:18 p.m. until March 23, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

FRED MILLER
Deputy Clerk

JANET JACKSON
Caucus Chairperson