

OAKLAND COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS MINUTES

March 11, 2021

Meeting called to order by Caucus Chairperson Kristen Nelson at 5:10 p.m. via Videoconference.

Roll called.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Cavell from Ferndale in Oakland County, Charles from Southfield in Oakland County, Gershenson from Los Angeles in California, Jackson from Southfield in Oakland County, Luebs from Clawson in Oakland County, Markham from Novi in Oakland County, McGillivray from Madison Heights in Oakland County, Miller from Farmington in Oakland County, Nelson from Waterford Township in Oakland County, Powell from Pontiac in Oakland County, Woodward from Royal Oak in Oakland County. (11)
EXCUSED ABSENCE WITH NOTICE: None. (0)

Quorum present.

No one addressed the Caucus during Public Comment.

Moved by Markham seconded by Gershenson the minutes of the February 16, 2021 and February 18, 2021 Caucus be approved.

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

The members of the Caucus discussed the Board Agenda.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Finance Committee item d. entitled: Information Technology – Approval of Public Safety Communications System First Responder GPS Safety Channel and Governmental (Non-First Responder) Radios. He stated that Commissioner Kochenderfer will offer an amendment.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee item I. entitled: MR #21056 – Board of Commissioners – Improve Access and Provide Express Delivery of Death Certificates Issued by the Oakland County Clerk's Office to Funeral Homes. He stated that Commissioner Jackson will offer an amendment.

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Discussion followed.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus regarding Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee item k. entitled: Parks and Recreation Commission – Approval of Two Easements at Independence Oaks County Park. She introduced the following people: Melissa Prowse, Supervisor, Parks and Recreation, Dennis Kolar, Managing Director, Oakland County Road Commission, Sam Fitzer, Director of Engineering, Oakland County Road Commission and Andrea LaLonde, Chairperson, Oakland County Road Commission who were there to address any questions or concerns the Commissioners may have regarding the resolution.

Discussion followed.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus regarding the Board of Commissioners calendar. She stated that the calendar will need to be revised when the Board goes back to on-site meetings and this will be discussed at the March 23rd Caucus.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding several appointments to various committees that will be handled through communications tonight.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Finance Committee item d. entitled: Information Technology – Approval of Public Safety Communications System First Responder GPS Safety Channel and Governmental (Non-First Responder) Radios. He stated that the resolution will be amended to include law enforcement.

Discussion followed.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus regarding a proposed miscellaneous resolution that she will introduce tonight entitled: Board of Commissioners – Establish Healthy Aging Oakland County Ad Hoc Committee. She stated that she will request the resolution be referred to the Public Health and Safety Committee.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus to remind the Commissioners of the upcoming FOIA training and Media training.

Discussion followed.

The Caucus adjourned at 7:54 p.m. until March 23, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

LISA BROWN
Clerk

KRISTEN NELSON
Caucus Chairperson