

OAKLAND COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS MINUTES

June 30, 2021

Meeting called to order by Caucus Chairperson Kristen Nelson at 3:35 p.m. in the Courthouse Committee Room A, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac, Michigan.

Roll called.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Cavell, Charles, Gershenson, Jackson, Luebs, Markham, McGillivray, Miller, Nelson, Powell, Woodward. (11)
EXCUSED ABSENCE WITH NOTICE: None. (0)

Quorum present.

No one addressed the Caucus during Public Comment.

Moved by McGillivray seconded by Luebs the minutes of the June 17, 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 Cavell addressed the Caucus regarding Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee item c. entitled: Economic Development and Board of Commissioners - Authorization of Oakland Together Skilled and Educated Workforce Program Funding and Appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Discussion followed.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus regarding Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee item a. entitled: Human Resources – Salary Administration Plan 2nd Quarterly Report for FY 2021, she explained that an architecture position was left out of the original resolution.

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Amy Aubrey, Board of Commissioners Analyst addressed the Caucus to note that two amendments will be offered at the Board of Commissioners meeting.

Heather Mason, Supervisor, Human Resources addressed the Caucus to note that this resolution will be retroactive and will take effect June 19, 2021.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Reapportionment Adhoc Committee item a. entitled: Board of Commissioners – Appropriation for the Apportionment of Oakland County Commissioner Districts. He explained the preliminary process of working with the Oakland County I.T. department to secure licenses for the necessary software. Furthermore, Commissioner Woodward estimated the process to begin in September after Census data is received.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding a new miscellaneous resolution entitled: Board of Commissioners – Appropriate Funding for Implementing Bodyworn cameras Initiative within the Oakland County Sheriff's Office will be introduced at the Board of Commissioners meeting tonight.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus regarding future American Rescue Plan (ARP) appropriations and assignment of funds.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding the American Rescue Plan - (ARP) short term acute needs. He also asked each Caucus member to identify acute needs in their districts.

Discussion followed.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson asked Chris Ward, Deputy County Executive to address the Caucus regarding the definition of an acute need.

Discussion followed.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus to call a recess at 4:23 pm.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus to reconvene at 5:16 pm.

Roll called.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Charles, Gershenson, Jackson, Luebs, Markham, McGillivray, Miller, Nelson, Powell, Woodward, Cavell. (11)
EXCUSED ABSENCE WITH NOTICE: None. (0)

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Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Fund Appropriation vs. Fund Assignment in regard to MR #21284 entitled: Authorization of Targeted Investments to Address Immediate Community Needs and Appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Gershenson seconded by Luebs MR #21284 entitled: Authorization of Targeted Investments to Address Immediate Community Needs and Appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to be added to the Regular Agenda for the June 30, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting.

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the resolution was approved for the regular agenda.

Moved by Nelson seconded by Powell, to postpone Caucus Agenda items b. and c. to the next Caucus meeting on July 22, 2021.

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, Caucus Agenda items b. and c. were postponed to the July 22, 2021 Caucus.

Chairperson Kristen Nelson addressed the Caucus to propose dates to schedule an extra Caucus meeting.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Luebs seconded by Gershenson, to schedule the next Caucus meeting for July 22, 2021 at 3:30 pm.

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the motion to schedule the next caucus meeting for July 22, 2021 at 3:30 pm was approved.

The Caucus adjourned at 7:51 p.m. until July 22, 2021, at 3:30 p.m.

LISA BROWN
Clerk

KRISTEN NELSON
Caucus Chairperson