



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

Democratic Caucus Minutes

September 5, 2024 at 5:00 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Angela Powell called the meeting of the Democratic Caucus to order at 5:08 PM in Committee Room A, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Woodward, Penny Luebs, Kristen Nelson, Gwen Markham, Angela Powell, Marcia Gershenson, Brendan Johnson, Charles Cavell, Yolanda Smith Charles, Ajay Raman, Linnie Taylor, Ann Erickson Gault (12)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: William Miller III (1)

3. Public Comment

No one addressed the Caucus during Public Comment #1.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated August 1, 2024

Linnie Taylor moved **approval of the Minutes dated August 1, 2024, as presented**. Seconded by Marcia Gershenson.

Motion Passed.

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

5. Discussion Items

Commissioner Markham addressed the Caucus regarding Finance Committee item entitled: Board of Commissioners - Appointment to the Chief Procurement Officer.

Commissioner Luebs addressed the Caucus regarding Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee item entitled: Board of Commissioners - Appointment to the Oakland Community Health Network Board.

Commissioner Nelson addressed the Caucus to discuss the many employee communications to the Commissioners about the Oakland County/UAW contract negotiations.

Discussion followed.

Jim Nash, Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner, addressed the Caucus regarding legislation being proposed by State Representative Donni Steele, alleging that Oakland County is draining untreated overflow into the Red Run Drain which flows into Lake St. Clair.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus regarding Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee item entitled: Human Resources - Benefit Plan Modifications Effective January 1, 2025.

Discussion followed.

Joe Rozell and Rob Doyle, representing UAW Local 889, addressed the Caucus regarding the negotiations between the Oakland County Executive Office and the UAW.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Nelson addressed the Caucus to request that Legislative Affairs and Governmental Operations Committee item entitled: Human Resources - Benefit Plan Modifications Effective January 1, 2025, be moved to the Regular Agenda.

Commissioner Woodward addressed the Caucus to state that a new resolution entitled: Funding Appropriation for Independent After Action Review on the Ocford High School and Other Mass Shooting Events has been added to the agenda and will be voted on tonight.

Discussion followed.

6. Public Comment

No one addressed the Caucus during Public Comment #2.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 PM.