

PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024
9:00 A.M.**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Barbara Rogers, Joe Brehler, Terrance Augustine, and Scott Hansen

ABSENT: Commissioners Blake Mulder, Trevor Youngquist, and Brian Lautzenheiser

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioner Jim Mott, Connie Sobie, Claudine Williams, Chris Garrison, Brandy Miller, Deb Penfield, Jarod Bogdanov-Hanna, Travis Keeton, Rachel Cushieri-Murray and Bill Hendrain

The April 10, 2024 regular meeting of the Public Works and Planning Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Rogers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

Commissioner Augustine moved to approve the agenda with the removal of item 10. Commissioner Brehler seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Brehler moved to approve the March 13, 2024 meeting minutes. Commissioner Hansen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Limited Public Comment. None.

MSU Extension District 8 Director, Bill Hendrian, was present to provide a Semi-Annual report. Director Hendrian gave an update on the impact MSU Extension has in the County and noted the four (4) priorities they are currently focused on for Eaton County: Agriculture and Agribusiness Institute, Health and Nutrition Institute, Children and Youth Institute, and Community, Food, and Environment Institute. It was noted Eaton County residents participated in four hundred thirty five (435) different extension programs.

Construction Code and Planning & Zoning Director, Chris Garrison, presented the department's monthly report. Director Garrison said the online permitting system has a couple of issues, but is working well overall. He noted the Planning Commission has a meeting to review the Master Plan on April 23rd. Commissioner Augustine requested the Staff Report on marihuana discussed last month be sent to all committee members.

Resource Recovery Director, Jarod Bogdanov-Hanna, presented the department's monthly report. An update on the Materials Management Plan (MMP) was given, with a resolution presented

identifying Eaton County as the County Approval Agency (CAA). Director Bogdanov-Hanna added the department has been meeting with adjacent counties and some businesses to discuss MMP involvement and implementation. Commissioner Augustine moved to recommend approval of the Resolution identifying Eaton County as the County Approval Agency (CAA) to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Droscha seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

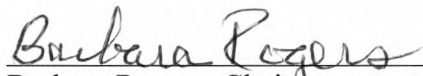
Parks Director, Travis Keeton; presented the department's monthly report. Director Keeton reported on the demolition of the house at Lincoln Brick Park and noted three (3) quotes have been received. Discussion was held. The lack of tornado shelters in county parks was discussed. Director Keeton also reported on paving a portion of the Thornapple Trail. Discussion was held.

Controller Sobie explained a Resolution Opposing the Governor's Recommended Budget for the Reduction of Operational funding to the Michigan Conservation Districts and the Elimination of Local Administration of the Michigan Agricultural Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP) is being presented under Miscellaneous. Pat Tirrell, a representative from the Eaton Conservation District Board of Directors, shared a letter from the Board expressing their opposition to the FY2025 Governor's Recommended Budget and stated their support for the Resolution as presented. Rachel Cushieri-Murray was present to answer questions. Commissioner Augustine moved to recommend approval of the Resolution to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Droscha seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Limited Public Comment. None.

Chairperson Rogers adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Public Works and Planning Committee will be held on Wednesday, May 8, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Commissioner Room of the Courthouse located at 1045 Independence Blvd, Charlotte, MI 48813.


Barbara Rogers, Chairperson