

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 6, 2025

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in special session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte, Thursday, February 6, 2025, including the availability of virtual attendance by the public.

Chairman Mott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Mott gave the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given by all.

Roll call. Commissioners present: Chris Arndt, Jason Peek, Brandon Haskell, Jeanne Pearl-Wright, Jane M. Whitacre, Mark Mudry, Kyle Jones, Brian Droscha, Jacob Toomey, Scott Hansen, Nicole Christensen, Jim Mott, Frank Holmes, Keith Barber. Commissioners absent: None.

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Toomey. Carried unanimously.

Public Comments: Sheree Ritchey spoke regarding past voting trends in Commissioner District #1. Jodie Pruden spoke in favor of appointing Rob Piercefield to be appointed to fill the Commissioner District #1 vacancy.

Kris Kost, Jeannine Smuts, Michelle Kost, Janelle Wawrzyniak, Kurt Austin, Rick McCloy, Jeff Christensen, Representative Gina Johnsen, Paula McCloy, Larry Mead, Dennis Dann, Jo Anna Rooker, former County Commissioner Barbra Rogers spoke in favor of Andy Shaver to be appointed to fill the Commissioner District #1 vacancy.

Chairman Mott asked for nominations to fill the vacancy in Commissioner District #1.

Commissioner Haskell nominated Rob Piercefield for District 1 Commissioner. Seconded by Commissioner Toomey.

Commissioner Droscha nominated Andy Shaver for District 1 Commissioner. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen.

Discussion held. Commissioner Toomey spoke in opposition to appointing Andy Shaver. Commissioners Droscha and Holmes spoke in support of appointing Andy Shaver for Commissioner District 1.

Rob Piercefield spoke regarding his nomination for Commissioner District 1.

Andy Shaver spoke regarding his nomination for Commissioner District 1.

Chairman Mott called for a roll call vote of each commissioner's choice for the Commissioner District 1 appointment.

Roll call vote. Commissioners Arndt, Droscha, Hansen, Christensen, Mott, Holmes, and Barber voted to appoint Andy Shaver for Commissioner District 1.

Commissioners Peek, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Whitacre, Mudry, Jones, and Toomey voted to appoint Rob Piercefield for Commissioner District 1.

Chairman Mott stated the vote was tied; therefore, a Special Election would be required to fill the vacancy.

Public Comments: Sherre Ritchey, Rick Dykstra, Kris Kost, Rep Gina Johnsen, Larry Mead, Jeff Christensen, Sherry Kissane, Michelle Kost, and Jodee Pruden expressed their disappointment that an appointment had not been made.

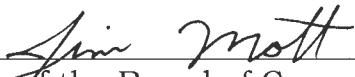
Prosecutor Doug Lloyd spoke regarding the upcoming May Public Safety millage.

Commissioner Droscha moved to reconsider the appointment vote. Seconded by Commissioner Barber. Discussion held. Roll call vote. Ayes: Commissioners Arndt, Droscha, Hansen, Christensen, Mott, Holmes, and Barber.

Nays: Commissioners Peek, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Whitacre, Mudry, Jones, and Toomey.

Motion failed 7-7.

Chairman Mott adjourned the meeting to Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.



Chairman of the Board of Commissioners



Clerk of the Board of Commissioners