

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 20, 2023

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte, Wednesday, December 20, 2023 including the availability of virtual attendance by the public.

Chairman Mott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Commissioner Droscha gave the invocation.

Roll call. Commissioners present: Blake Mulder, Terrance Augustine, Brandon Haskell, Jeanne Pearl-Wright, Trevor Youngquist, Mark Mudry, Joseph Brehler, Brian Droscha, Jacob Toomey, Scott Hansen, Brian Lautzenheiser, Frank Holmes, Barbara Rogers and Jim Mott.

Commissioners absent: Tim Barnes

Commissioner Toomey moved the agenda to be approved as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of the November 15, 2023 minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Rogers. Carried unanimously.

Communications: Eaton County Treasurer Robinson provided a copy of Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority Performance Bond Certificate of Protection. (On file) Annual reports of the County Clerk and Register of Deeds were received. (On file) An anonymous letter was received. (On file).

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of #23-12-132 Resolution of Appreciation for Scott Brooks Sheriff's Office.

WHEREAS, Scott Brooks retired from Eaton County on December 1, 2023; and
WHEREAS, Scott worked in the Sheriff's Office from July 6, 1998 and is retiring as a Lieutenant with 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Scott has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents and employees of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Scott's years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners expresses its sincere gratitude for the years of exceptional service Scott provided to Eaton County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 20th day of the month of December in the year 2023.

Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of #23-12-133 Resolution of Appreciation for the Honorable Thomas Byerley Probate Court.

WHEREAS, Honorable Thomas Byerley retires from Eaton County on December 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Honorable Thomas Byerley was appointed as the Probate Court Judge in April 2010 and was elected effective January 1, 2012 and is retiring with 13 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Honorable Thomas Byerley has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents and employees of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Honorable Thomas Byerley's years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners expresses its sincere gratitude for the years of exceptional service Honorable Thomas Byerley provided to Eaton County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 20th day of the month of December in the year 2023.

Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser. Carried unanimously.

Public Comments: Eaton County Prosecutor Doug Lloyd spoke in support of entering into early bargaining with Sheriff's Office bargaining units. Lt. Scott Brooks spoke in support of the purchase of portable power equipment as recommended by the Public Safety Committee.

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved the approval of #23-12-134 Resolution to Continue Eaton County Human Services Collaborative Council.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners established an Eaton County Human Services Collaborative Council on January 17, 1996; and

WHEREAS, such resolution requires an annual review of the Human Services Collaborative Council to determine the necessity of its continuation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, feels that the Human Services Collaborative Council continues to provide a forum for human services agencies in the county to identify and discuss opportunities for further collaboration and partnership in human services delivery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Human Services Collaborative Council be continued for another year.

Seconded by Commissioner Toomey. Nays: Rogers. Motion carried.

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved the approval of the Health and Human Services Committee Appointment.

Clinton-Eaton-Ingham Community Mental Health Board

Jason White 12/31/2023 (Partial Term due to resignation)

Seconded by Commissioner Brehler. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved the approval of #23-12-135 Resolution to Approve Medical Examiner Contract Extension.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, by Resolution #20-11-101, approved a contract with Sparrow Hospital for County Medical Examiner services effective January 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County and Sparrow Hospital wish to extend this agreement for one year, from January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Sparrow Hospital has agreed to continue to provide medical examiner services for Eaton County through December 31, 2024, at the annual rate of \$312,123.22.

WHEREAS, Dr. Michael Markey shall continue as the County Medical Examiner; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David Moons and Dr. Christopher Hauch shall continue as the Deputy County Medical Examiners; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County ratifies and reaffirms all of the remaining terms of the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves a contract for medical examiner services with Sparrow Hospital through December 31, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign any necessary documents.

Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #23-12-136 Resolution to Approve State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Agreement (SLCGP).

WHEREAS; there are unprecedented cybersecurity risks, including increasingly sophisticated adversaries, widespread vulnerabilities in commonly used hardware and software, and broad dependencies on networked technologies for the day-to-day operation of critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS; cyber risk management is further complicated by the ability of malicious actors to operate remotely, linkages between cyber and physical systems, and the difficulty of reducing vulnerabilities; and

WHEREAS; the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) is a reimbursable pass-through grant program with an overall goal to improve the cybersecurity posture of state, local and territorial (SLT) government organizations by providing assistance for managing and reducing systemic cyber risk; and

WHEREAS; Eaton County is interested in receiving funding from the SLCGP for Endpoint Detection and Response Software licenses, Cybersecurity Assessments and Incident Response Planning and Training Activities which will provide intrusion detection services as well as Cofense Security Awareness services at no cost to Eaton County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves the submission of the Fiscal Year 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Local Consent Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee is authorized to sign the consent agreement and any resulting grant agreements that may be awarded.

Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rogers moved the approval of #23-12-137 Resolution to Approve Professional Planning Services Agreement with Williams and Works, Inc.

WHEREAS; the Eaton County Board of Commissioners is responsible for the overall operation of Eaton County Parks; and

WHEREAS; the Eaton County Board of Commissioners Chairman's Parks Workgroup determined a need to undertake a process to produce Strategic Plan(s) in four (4) County Parks to recommend direction on future development, capital improvements, and operational efficiencies to improve, create, and maintain a parks and recreation system that meets the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS; the Strategic Plan(s) are meant to complement and expand on the existing Eaton County Parks Master Plan; and

WHEREAS; a request for proposals process was conducted; and

WHEREAS; the Parks Workgroup has reviewed all submitted proposals and recommends entering into a contract with Williams and Works, Inc. to provide strategic planning services for an amount not to exceed sixty thousand and fifty-five dollars (\$60,055).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves a contract with Williams and Works, Inc. to provide planning services as outlined in the attached Proposal and Professional Services Agreement and authorizes the Controller to make any necessary budget amendments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee is authorized to sign the contract.

Seconded by Commissioner Augustine. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #23-12-138 Resolution to Approve an Application for a Farmland and Open Space Development Rights Agreement – T. Winslow.

WHEREAS, Troy D Winslow filed a Farmland and Open Space Application for property located in Eaton Rapids Township, with the Eaton County Clerk's Office in November 2023; and

WHEREAS, this application includes Parcel # 120-015-400-057-00 and 120-022-200-002-00 which parcel totals +/- 46 acres; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is requesting a 10 year agreement; and

WHEREAS, a copy of this application was sent to all reviewing agencies as required by the act; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Ways & Means Committee has reviewed this application and is recommending approval.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled meeting on December 20, 2023 does hereby approve the

Farmland and Open Space Application filed by Troy D Winslow property located in Eaton Rapids Township.

Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #23-11-139 Resolution to Approve Entering into Early Bargaining with Sheriff's Office Bargaining Units.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners received requests for entering into early bargaining on the Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) covering the employees in the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the requests received are from the designated bargaining agents representing employees covered under the both the Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM) and the Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) Agreements for the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners acknowledges the request received and the ongoing retention and recruitment difficulties the County has had with employees in law enforcement, namely the Patrol Divisions.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Controller/Administrator to enter into early bargaining with these two groups.

Seconded by Commissioner Toomey. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #23-12-140 Resolution to Approve Interim Agreement for the Operation of the Youth Facility.

WHEREAS, the Board previously adopted an agreement to allow the Youth Facility to continue to be operated under the direction of the Family Division of the Circuit Court; and

WHEREAS, such agreement expires December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Committee has reviewed the operation of the Youth Facility over the past year and feels it should remain under the operation of the Family Division of the Circuit Court.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Agreement be extended for another year to expire on December 31, 2024. Prior to such time, it will be reviewed again by the Health and Human Services Committee.

Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Discussion held. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #23-12-141 Resolution to Approve Windsor Charter Township Police Services Agreement.

WHEREAS, Windsor Charter Township is interested in entering into a contract with the County and Sheriff to provide police services within the Township effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the proposed intergovernmental agreement (attached) has been developed to provide assigned patrols within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee and Ways and Means Committee have reviewed the attached agreement between the County and Windsor Charter Township for said purpose; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves the proposed agreement with Windsor Charter Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners is authorized to execute said agreement for the County.

Seconded by Commissioner Toomey. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #23-12-142 Resolution to Approve FY 2023/24 Budget Amendments.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2023/2024 Appropriations Act of September 20, 2023, states that any amendment to increase a salary and/or a Capital Outlay line-item in excess of \$2,500.00 or any amendment to increase the total budget of any fund or department in excess of \$2,500.00 shall be amended by the Board of Commissioners, except that any amendment to decrease the General Fund Contingency shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, such amendments are needed in order to comply with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act of 1978, P.A. 621.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments be approved and added to the 2023/2024 Eaton County Budget:

GENERAL FUND

COMMISSIONERS 101.101

Decrease	State Revenue Sharing	\$49,634
Increase	Use of Fund Balance	\$49,634

SHERIFF'S OFFICE 101.301

Increase	State Revenue Sharing	\$49,634
Increase	Supplies – Other	\$49,634

To increase budget to allocate funds for Local Public Safety Initiatives based on guidance received from the Michigan Department of Treasury. Local Public Safety Initiatives include, but are not limited to: Recruitment, Retention, Training, Equipment, and/or Capital Improvements to Public Safety Buildings.

FACILITIES 101.265

Increase	Building Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 194,000
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 194,000

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for maintenance projects in progress from FY22-23.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

PARKS & RECREATION FUND 208

Increase	Project Costs	\$ 610,358
Increase	Capital Outlay	\$ 200,000
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 810,358

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for parks and recreation projects in progress from FY22-23.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND 225

Increase	Capital Outlay	\$ 499,865
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 499,865

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for public improvement projects in progress from FY22-23.

COMPUTER FUND 226

Increase	Professional Services/Software	\$ 137,968
Increase	Capital Outlay	\$ 230,303
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 368,271

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for technology projects in progress from FY22-23 as recommended by the Information Technology and Communication Committee on December 6, 2023.

CENTRAL DISPATCH FUND 261

Increase	Equipment	\$ 20,050
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 20,050

To increase budget for the purchase of portable power equipment as recommended by the Public Safety Committee at their November 2, 2023 meeting.

Seconded by Commissioner Haskell. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of claims as audited by the Ways & Means Committee for \$14,755,349.82 and to accept the report of previously authorized payments.

Seconded by Commissioner Rogers. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Chief Deputy Sidel stated Sheriff Reich's appreciation for Controller Sobie and Board's teamwork with his office and for approving early bargaining with Sheriff's Office bargaining units.

Administrator's Report. Controller Sobie provided a monthly report.

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Haskell thanked the Financial Stability workgroup and Controller Sobie for their presentation and hard work. Commissioner Youngquist thanked Communication Director Logan Bailey for his work promoting public engagement through social media engagement.

Commissioner Augustine thanked the Chairman, Controller Sobie and staff for their great work this past year. Commissioner Droscha stated the Board is working hard towards long-term improvements for Eaton County. Chairman thanked everyone for their work this year including Controller Sobie and staff.

There was no Unfinished Business, Old Business or New Business.

Chairman Mott adjourned the meeting to Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman of the Board of Commissioners	Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

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EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
SCOTT BROOKS
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

DECEMBER 20, 2023

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Luatzenheiser.

WHEREAS, Scott Brooks retired from Eaton County on December 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Scott worked in the Sheriff's Office from July 6, 1998 and is retiring as a Lieutenant with 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Scott has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents and employees of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Scott's years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners expresses its sincere gratitude for the years of exceptional service Scott provided to Eaton County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 20th day of the month of December in the year 2023. Carried unanimously.

Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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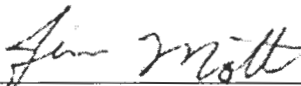
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Jim Mott
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Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
THE HONORABLE THOMAS BYERLEY
PROBATE COURT**

DECEMBER 20, 2023

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser.

WHEREAS, Honorable Thomas Byerley retires from Eaton County on December 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Honorable Thomas Byerley was appointed as the Probate Court Judge in April 2010 and was elected effective January 1, 2011 and is retiring with 13 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Honorable Thomas Byerley has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents and employees of Eaton County; and

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Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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DECEMBER 20, 2023

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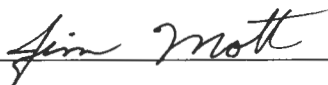
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Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners



Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE
EATON COUNTY
HUMAN SERVICES COLLABORATIVE COUNCIL**

Introduced by the Health and Human Services Committee

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Toomey.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners established an Eaton County Human Services Collaborative Council on January 17, 1996; and

WHEREAS, such resolution requires an annual review of the Human Services Collaborative Council to determine the necessity of its continuation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, feels that the Human Services Collaborative Council continues to provide a forum for human services agencies in the county to identify and discuss opportunities for further collaboration and partnership in human services delivery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Human Services Collaborative Council be continued for another year. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICE
AGREEMENT**

Introduced by the Health and Human Services Committee

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, by Resolution #20-11-101, approved a contract with Sparrow Hospital for County Medical Examiner services effective January 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County and Sparrow Hospital wish to extend this agreement for one year, from January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Sparrow Hospital has agreed to continue to provide medical examiner services for Eaton County through December 31, 2024, at the annual rate of \$312,123.22.

WHEREAS, Dr. Michael Markey shall continue as the County Medical Examiner; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David Moons and Dr. Christopher Hauch shall continue as the Deputy County Medical Examiners ; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County ratifies and reaffirms all of the remaining terms of the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves a contract for medical examiner services with Sparrow Hospital through December 31, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign any necessary documents. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT
PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser.

WHEREAS; there are unprecedented cybersecurity risks, including increasingly sophisticated adversaries, widespread vulnerabilities in commonly used hardware and software, and broad dependencies on networked technologies for the day-to-day operation of critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS; cyber risk management is further complicated by the ability of malicious actors to operate remotely, linkages between cyber and physical systems, and the difficulty of reducing vulnerabilities; and

WHEREAS; the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) is a reimbursable pass-through grant program with an overall goal to improve the cybersecurity posture of state, local and territorial (SLT) government organizations by providing assistance for managing and reducing systemic cyber risk; and

WHEREAS; Eaton County is interested in receiving funding from the SLCGP for Endpoint Detection and Response Software licenses, Cybersecurity Assessments and Incident Response Planning and Training Activities which will provide intrusion detection services as well as cofense security awareness services at no cost to Eaton County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves the submission of the Fiscal Year 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Local Consent Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee is authorized to sign the consent agreement and any resulting grant agreements that may be awarded. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAMS AND WORKS, INC**

Introduced by the Public Works & Planning Committee

Commissioner Rogers moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Augustine.

WHEREAS; the Eaton County Board of Commissioners is responsible for the overall operation of Eaton County Parks; and

WHEREAS; the Eaton County Board of Commissioners Chairman's Parks Workgroup determined a need to undertake a process to produce Strategic Plan(s) in four (4) County Parks to recommend direction on future development, capital improvements, and operational efficiencies to improve, create, and maintain a parks and recreation system that meets the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS; the Strategic Plan(s) are meant to complement and expand on the existing Eaton County Parks Master Plan; and

WHEREAS; a request for proposals process was conducted; and

WHEREAS; the Parks Workgroup has reviewed all submitted proposals and recommends entering into a contract with Williams and Works, Inc. to provide strategic planning services for an amount not to exceed sixty thousand and fifty-five dollars (\$60,055).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves a contract with Williams and Works, Inc. to provide planning services as outlined in the attached Proposal and Professional Services Agreement and authorizes the Controller to make any necessary budget amendments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee is authorized to sign the contract. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN
APPLICATION FOR A FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE
DEVELOPMENTAL RIGHTS AGREEMENT
(PUBLIC ACT 116 OF 1974, AS AMENDED)**

Introduced by the Ways & Means Committee

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha.

WHEREAS, Troy D Winslow filed a Farmland and Open Space Application for property located in Eaton Rapids Township, with the Eaton County Clerk's Office in November 2023; and

WHEREAS, this application includes Parcel # 120-015-400-057-00 and 120-022-200-002-00 which parcel totals +/- 46 acres; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is requesting a 10 year agreement; and

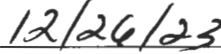
WHEREAS, a copy of this application was sent to all reviewing agencies as required by the act; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Ways & Means Committee has reviewed this application and is recommending approval.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled meeting on December 20, 2023 does hereby approve the Farmland and Open Space Application filed by Troy D Winslow property located in Eaton Rapids Township. Carried unanimously.



Diana Bosworth, County Clerk



Date

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ENTERING INTO EARLY
BARGAINING WITH SHERIFF'S OFFICE BARGAINING UNITS**

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Toomey.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners received requests for entering into early bargaining on the Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) covering the employees in the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the requests received are from the designated bargaining agents representing employees covered under the both the Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM) and the Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) Agreements for the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners acknowledges the request received and the ongoing retention and recruitment difficulties the County has had with employees in law enforcement, namely the Patrol Divisions.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Controller/Administrator to enter into early bargaining with these two groups. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INTERIM AGREEMENT
FOR THE OPERATION OF THE YOUTH FACILITY**

Introduced by the Health and Human Services Committee

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Haskell.

WHEREAS, the Board previously adopted an agreement to allow the Youth Facility to continue to be operated under the direction of the Family Division of the Circuit Court; and

WHEREAS, such agreement expires December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Committee has reviewed the operation of the Youth Facility over the past year and feels it should remain under the operation of the Family Division of the Circuit Court.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Agreement be extended for another year to expire on December 31, 2024. Prior to such time, it will be reviewed again by the Health and Human Services Committee. Carried unanimously.

**EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 20, 2023**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR
POLICE SERVICES – WINDSOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Toomey.

WHEREAS, Windsor Charter Township is interested in entering into a contract with the County and Sheriff to provide police services within the Township effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the proposed intergovernmental agreement (attached) has been developed to provide assigned patrols within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee and Ways and Means Committee have reviewed the attached agreement between the County and Windsor Charter Township for said purpose; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves the proposed agreement with Windsor Charter Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners is authorized to execute said agreement for the County. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**DECEMBER 20, 2023****RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2023/2024 BUDGET AMENDMENTS****Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee**

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Haskell.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2023/2024 Appropriations Act of September 20, 2023, states that any amendment to increase a salary and/or a Capital Outlay line-item in excess of \$2,500.00 or any amendment to increase the total budget of any fund or department in excess of \$2,500.00 shall be amended by the Board of Commissioners, except that any amendment to decrease the General Fund Contingency shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, such amendments are needed in order to comply with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act of 1978, P.A. 621.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments be approved and added to the 2023/2024 Eaton County Budget:

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Decrease	State Revenue Sharing	\$49,634
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Increase	Building Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 194,000
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 194,000

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for maintenance projects in progress from FY22-23.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**PARKS & RECREATION FUND 208**

Increase	Project Costs	\$ 610,358
Increase	Capital Outlay	\$ 200,000
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 810,358

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for parks and recreation projects in progress from FY22-23.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND 225

Increase	Capital Outlay	\$ 499,865
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 499,865

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for public improvement projects in progress from FY22-23.

COMPUTER FUND 226

Increase	Professional Services/Software	\$ 137,968
Increase	Capital Outlay	\$ 230,303
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 368,271

To increase budget to re-authorize appropriation for technology projects in progress from FY22-23 as recommended by the Information Technology and Communication Committee on December 6, 2023.

CENTRAL DISPATCH FUND 261

Increase	Equipment	\$ 20,050
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 20,050

To increase budget for the purchase of portable power equipment as recommended by the Public Safety Committee at their November 2, 2023 meeting. Carried unanimously.