

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEGAL COUNSEL TO INITIATE LAWSUIT(S)
AGAINST COMPANIES CONCERNING THEIR ALLEGED MANIPULATION OF
THE MARKET FOR INSULIN AND INSULIN-ANALOG DIABETES MEDICATIONS**

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, diabetes is a public health epidemic, with more than 10% of the U.S. population having been diagnosed with diabetes and nearly double that number have prediabetes; and

WHEREAS, due to the prevalence and severity of diabetes, insulin is a necessary, life-saving medicine; and

WHEREAS, insulin was discovered in 1921, was harvested from animals until 1978 when the first biosynthetic human insulin was developed, and very few scientific advances in insulin have occurred since the 1980s; and

WHEREAS, despite the prominence of the disease and the long-understood treatment with insulin, the costs associated with diabetes treatment in the United States have skyrocketed in the last 20 years, and since 2003, the list price of certain insulins has increased by more than 1,000%, greatly outpacing the inflation rate for consumer goods and services; and

WHEREAS, a 2022 Yale study found that 14% of insulin users in the United States face “catastrophic” levels of spending on insulin, meaning they spent at least 40% of their post-subsistence income on insulin; and

WHEREAS, a 2020 study of 2018 insulin pricing found that the average manufacturer price per standard unit across all insulins in the United States was just over \$98, but the price in other countries ranged between about \$5 and \$15; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2021, after a two-year investigation which aimed to shed light on how drug manufacturers price insulin medication, the role played by pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs), and the financial and contractual relationships between these entities, the U.S. Senate Finance Committee on Finance published a 90-page report titled, “Insulin: examining the factors driving the rising cost of a century old drug” (the “Senate Report”); and

WHEREAS, the Senate Report noted, among other things that “manufacturers aggressively raised the WAC [the list price (the Wholesale Acquisition Cost)] of their insulin products absent significant advances in the efficacy of the drugs”; and

WHEREAS, the Senate Report also discussed the flow of money between manufacturers and PBMs, finding that “relatively little is publicly known about these financial relationships and the impact they have on insulin costs borne by consumers, even though PBMs play a major role in the drug supply and payment chain by negotiating drug rebates and discounts with manufacturers and managing drug benefits for health care payers,” including Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, 99% of the market for insulin products is controlled by three manufacturers, Eli Lilly, Novo Nordisk, and Sanofi-Aventis, and three PBMs, CVS Caremark, Express Scripts, and OptumRx, control 89% of the PBM market; and

WHEREAS, state and local governments around the country have filed lawsuits against Eli Lilly, Novo Nordisk, Sanofi-Aventis, CVS Health, Express Scripts, and OptumRx, alleging that they conspired to raise the list prices for insulin products, resulting in increased profits for the pharmaceutical companies at the expense of self-funded health care payers like Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, it has been estimated self-funded health care payers like Eaton County have been overcharged for insulin by at least 75%; and

WHEREAS, it is prudent for Eaton County to explore every option available to recover overpayments and combat abusive and unlawful market manipulation in the pharmaceutical industry, including litigation against pharmaceutical companies and/or PBMs whose actions may have contributed to or exacerbated inflated prices for insulin medications within Eaton County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Eaton, Michigan hereby authorizes the County Controller/Administrator at their discretion, to select outside counsel and to enter into a contingency fee arrangement with outside counsel, whereby outside counsel will not be compensated unless Eaton County receives a financial benefit as a result of the proposed claims, to commence a lawsuit exclusively on behalf of Eaton County, against any pharmaceutical company, PBM, and/or other entity that engages in market manipulation practices that inflated the prices for insulin medication within Eaton County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Controller/Administrator is authorized and requested to provide a report to the Eaton County Board of Commissioners as soon as practicable if outside counsel is engaged with regular updates as the litigation progresses.

Roll call vote. Yeas: Commissioners Barnes, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Youngquist, Mudry, Brehler, Droscha, Toomey, Hansen, Lautzenheiser, Holmes, Rogers and Mott. Nays: Commissioner Mulder. Motion carried.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 17, 2024

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the County Facilities in the City of Charlotte on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, including the availability of virtual attendance by the public.

Chairman Mott called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m.

Roll Call. Commissioners present: Blake Mulder, Jeanne Pearl-Wright, Joseph Brehler, Brian Droscha, Jacob Toomey, Scott Hansen, Frank Holmes, Barbara Rogers and Jim Mott. Commissioner Barnes arrived after roll call.

Commissioners absent: Terrance Augustine, Brandon Haskell, Trevor Youngquist, Mark Mudry, and Brian Lautzenheiser

Chairperson Mott thanked those attending online and in person and then thanked those who attended the previous Special Meeting on March 20, 2024. He gave brief remarks explaining the purpose of the meeting. Chairperson Mott presented on a recent financial history of the County finances and on the Financial Stability Work Group analysis of the County's current financial situation. He stated that the Work Group will submit a report on May 10, 2024, to the Ways and Means Committee. He stated that the report will provide recommendations to address a revenue shortage. Chairperson Mott stated that the county needs to raise revenue, or services will have to be reduced.

Chairperson Mott explained that this meeting was specifically meant for questions and interaction between the Board and residents in attendance. He then opened the floor for questions and comments.

Members of the public spoke and asked questions related to County operations and staffing, financials, and future planning; Commissioner comments were made, and discussion was held on several topics.

Chairperson Mott adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Chairperson, Board of Commissioners

Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 17, 2024

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte, Wednesday, April 17, 2024 including the availability of virtual attendance by the public.

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

Chairman Mott gave the invocation.

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

Roll call. Commissioners present: Blake Mulder, 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. Tim Barnes arrived after roll call.

Commissioners absent: Terrance Augustine.

Commissioner Rogers moved the approval of the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Toomey moved the approval of the March 20, 2024 Regular and Special Meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Carried unanimously.

Communications: Resolutions from Crawford County, Ingham County, Lapeer County, Ogemaw County and Tuscola County. (On file)

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of #24-4-26 Resolution of Appreciation for Jason Shipman Sheriff's Office.

WHEREAS, Jason Shipman will be retiring from Eaton County on April 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Jason worked in the Sheriff's Office from June 22, 1998, as a Deputy, then a Sergeant, and is now retiring as a Lieutenant with more than 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Jason 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 Jason'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 Jason 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 17th day of the month of April in the year 2024.

Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Carried unanimously

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of #24-4-27 Resolution of Appreciation for the Honorable John Maurer Circuit Court.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Judge John Maurer retires from Eaton County on April 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Judge Maurer was appointed as the Circuit Court Judge on May 2, 2016, and was elected as judge effective January 1, 2019, and is retiring from Eaton County after more than seven years of service; and

WHEREAS, Judge Maurer 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 Judge Maurer'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 the Honorable Judge John Maurer has 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 17th day of the month of April in the year 2024.

Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Eaton Conservation District Executive Director Rachel Cuschieri-Murry and past year events, 2024 Tree Sale and upcoming events. Conservation District Commissioner Mark Sweatman spoke in support of the proposed resolution in opposition to the FY 2025 governor's recommended budget for the reduction of operational funding to the Michigan conservation districts and the elimination of local administration of the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program.

County resident Russ Hicks spoke regarding County Parks Committee budget and grant information.

Nathan Baldermann, Rehmann spoke regarding the County's 2022-2023 Audit Update.

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following 11 resolutions:

#24-4-28 Resolution to Authorize Application for Office of Highway Safety Planning Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program.

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Police, Office of Highway Safety Planning has grant funds available for the Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program for the period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff is prepared to apply for the grant and coordinate the program, which will provide up to \$30,000 of overtime for purposes of developing more comprehensive strategies to reduce fatal crashes and increase seat belt use; and

WHEREAS, there are no required matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Sheriff Department be authorized to apply for the Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program through the Office of Highway Safety Planning; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the Office of Highway Safety Planning; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee is authorized to sign the necessary documents.

#24-4-29 Resolution to Approve Community Corrections Act 1988, P.A. 511 Grant Application.

WHEREAS, Eaton County has operated programs under the Community Corrections Act, 1988, P.A. 511; and
WHEREAS, the State of Michigan is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and
WHEREAS, the Eaton County Community Corrections Advisory Board will review on April 24, 2024 and is recommending, pending that review, the submission of a request for funds for the 2024/2025 fiscal year not to exceed \$450,000.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the submission of the above entitled grants; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the grant is not continued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate Committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign all of the necessary contracts or documents.

#24-4-30 Resolution to Approve Michigan Drug Court Grant Program (MDCGP) Adult Circuit Drug Court Application.

WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office has grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and
WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department operates an Adult Circuit Drug Court which is grant funded; and
WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding to continue the Adult Circuit Drug Court.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Adult Circuit Drug Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide.

#24-4-31 Resolution to Approve Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)
Adult Circuit Drug Court Application (ACDC).

WHEREAS, the Office of Drug Control Policy has Byrne Memorial Grant funds available through an inter-agency agreement with the Michigan State Court Administrative Office; and
WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department operates an Adult Circuit Drug Court which is grant funded; and
WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding to continue the Adult Circuit Drug Court.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Adult Circuit Drug Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide.

#24-4-32 Resolution to Approve Michigan Drug Court Grant Program (MDCGP)
District Hybrid Court Application.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts, through the Community Corrections Department and the District Court Probation Department, has operated a District Court sobriety program for approximately twenty years; and
WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and
WHEREAS, the District Court seeks to expand the program with grant funds to provide treatment and tether services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the District Court Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County District Court Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide.

#24-4-33 Resolution to Authorize Application for Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP) Application.

WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office has Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program Grant funds available; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County currently operates a Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department is desirous of continuing the program focusing on high-risk felony probationers with a demonstrated history of probation failures due to behavioral noncompliance or three or more probation violations. This grant would provide funding to operate the Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP); and

WHEREAS, the SSSPP primary goal is to increase compliance with probation terms by imposing certain, swift, and consistent sanctions for probation violations; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding request be in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, with no County match for the award period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit the SSSPP grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Swift and Sure

Sanctions Probation Program participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide.

**#24-4-34 Resolution to Approve Michigan Drug Court Grant Program (MDCGP)
Felony Sobriety Court Application.**

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Circuit Court through the Eaton County Community Corrections Department, has operated a Felony Sobriety drug court grant for approximately fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Felony Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide.

**#24-4-35 Resolution to Approve Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)
Felony Sobriety Court Application.**

WHEREAS, the Office of Drug Control Policy has Byrne Memorial Grant funds available through an inter-agency agreement with the Michigan State Court Administrative Office; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department operates an Adult OUIL III Drug Court which is grant funded; and

WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding to continue the Adult OUIL III Drug Court.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Felony Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide.

#24-4-36 Resolution to Approve Michigan Veterans Treatment Court Grant Program (MVTCPG) Application.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts began operating a Veterans' Treatment Court (J. Sauter Veterans Treatment Court) in the fall of 2013; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025 with no required cash match.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 which includes funding of a case manager; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Felony Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide.

#24-4-37 Resolution to Authorize Application for an Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) Grant Felony Sobriety.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts, through the Eaton County Community Corrections Department, has operated an Adult OUIL III Drug Court for approximately twenty years; and

WHEREAS, the United States Office of Highway Safety Planning through the State of Michigan is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents.

#24-4-38 Resolution to Authorize Application for an Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) Grant District Hybrid Court

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts, through the Eaton County Community Corrections Department and the District Court Probation Department, has operated a District Court Sobriety drug court grant for approximately twenty years; and
WHEREAS, the United States Office of Highway Safety Planning through the State of Michigan is making grant funds available the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents.

Commissioner Brehler seconded the 11 resolutions listed above. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of #24-4-39 Resolution to Approve Application for State Disaster Emergency Contingency Fund Grant Assistance for August 2023 Storms.

WHEREAS, Eaton County, Michigan, is a political subdivision within the State of Michigan with an official Emergency Operations plan in compliance with Section 19 of the Emergency Management Act, Act 390, Public Acts of 1976, as amended; and
WHEREAS, Eaton County sustained severe losses of major proportions brought on by the August 24 and 25, 2023 storms, resulting in the following conditions: 67.54% of the residents in Eaton County experienced an interruption in their power supply, this also resulted in extensive damage, inflicted upon the county's infrastructure.

Multiple compromised powerlines impeded roadways and posed hazards to public safety. Additionally, debris management measures were significant and required a robust cleanup effort; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County and the Emergency Management Office certify that the Eaton County Emergency Operations Plan was implemented at the onset of the disaster throughout specific areas of Eaton County, and all applicable disaster relief forces identified therein were exhausted; and

WHEREAS, as a direct result of the disaster, public damage and expenditures were extraordinary and place an unreasonable great financial burden on Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County is requesting to apply for State Disaster Emergency Contingency Grant funding one hundred and thirty-seven thousand and nine hundred and thirty-nine dollars (\$137,939).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners requests the Governor authorize a grant to the County of Eaton from the State Disaster Contingency Fund pursuant to Section 19, Act 390, Public Acts of 1976, as amended; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee is authorized to execute for and on behalf of Eaton County the application for financial assistance and to provide to the State any information required for that purpose.

Seconded by Commissioner Toomey. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #24-4-40 Resolution to Approve Email and Messaging Use Policy.

WHEREAS, the Technology Services Department has developed an Email and Messaging Use Policy as part of a comprehensive Information Security Policy Manual development to achieve compliance with IRS Pub 1075 Guidelines for the receipt and storage of Federal Tax Information (FTI) within the County-operated technology network utilized by the Friend of the Court; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Email and Messaging Use Policy has been submitted to and reviewed by the Information Technology and Communication Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology and Communication Committee recommends the approval of the Email and Messaging Use Policy as submitted by the Technology Services Department.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the Email and Messaging Use Policy, effective immediately.

Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #24-4-41 Resolution to Approve Software Usage Policy.

WHEREAS, the Technology Services Department has developed a Software Usage Policy as part of a comprehensive Information Security Policy Manual development to achieve compliance with IRS Pub 1075 Guidelines for the receipt and storage of Federal Tax Information (FTI) within the County-operated technology network utilized by the Friend of the Court; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Software Usage Policy has been submitted to and reviewed by the Information Technology and Communication Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology and Communication Committee recommends the approval of the Software Usage Policy as submitted by the Technology Services Department.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the Software Usage Policy, effective immediately.

Seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rogers moved the approval of #24-4-42 Resolution to Authorize Preparation of a Material Management Plan (MMP) for Eaton County.

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy (EGLE) is overseeing the transition from solid waste disposal to a new materials management system that will be geared toward seeking alternatives to landfilling, reducing environmental impacts, contributing to a circular economy, and identifying the highest and best use for all materials including recyclables, organics, and solid wastes; and

WHEREAS, amendments to Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, went into effect on March 29, 2023 and require all counties to prepare a Materials Management Plan (MMP); and

WHEREAS, the EGLE Director officially initiated the MMP process as of January 8, 2024 and requires all County Board of Commissioners to respond within 180 days; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County intends to submit a Notice of Intent to EGLE within 180 days identifying the Eaton County Board of Commissioners as the County Approval Agency (CAA) which is the entity that assumes responsibility for the MMP and is authorized to approve the MMP.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners accepts the CAA responsibilities and approves the submission of a Notice of Intent to EGLE to prepare an MMP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chair of the Board to execute the Notice of Intent for Eaton County and act as the CAA primary contact.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller/Administrator be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase grant revenue and expenditures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee is authorized to sign any necessary documents.

Seconded by Commissioner Brehler. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rogers moved the approval of #24-4-43 Resolution in Opposition to the FY 2025 Governor's Recommended Budget for the Reduction of Operational Funding to the Michigan Conservation Districts and the Elimination of Local Administration of the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP).

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2024, Governor Whitmer released her Executive Budget Recommendation for fiscal year 2025 which included under the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) recommended budget a \$1,000,000.00 cut to Michigan Conservation District's operating budget.

WHEREAS, the fiscal year 2025 budget recommendation for MDARD also recommended the termination of local Conservation District Technicians who administer the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program and replace them with 24 State employees.

WHEREAS, this recommendation undermines the local conservation delivery system led by local Conservation Districts covering all 83 Michigan counties using the

voluntary, non-regulatory, educational approach used all across the country to address natural resources concerns at the local level.

WHEREAS, Michigan passed Public Act 297 of 1937 to establish Conservation District's as local units of State Government to work with landowners in every county to address natural resource concerns driven by a five member publicly elected Board of Directors. These Boards establish conservation priorities based on their local needs and voluntarily work with landowners to address critical natural resource concerns, the only organization that can do this on private land with the trust of the landowner.

WHEREAS, Michigan Conservation Districts have been critically underfunded for decades. This has left many Conservation Districts without staff to implement programs or provide assistance. Because of this, Michigan Conservation Districts experience high employee turnover which undermines the success of programs and the ability to administer assistance to the public.

WHEREAS, Michigan cannot effectively allocate federal funds from the Inflation Reduction Act and Title II of the Farm Bill due to the lack of funding provided by the State of Michigan. This leaves critical federal dollars on the table that is reallocated to other States that can deliver Farm Bill dollars more effectively.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Eaton requests that the FY 2025 budget maintain the operational budget for Michigan Conservation District's at \$3,000,000.00 and maintain the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP) at its current capacity with local technicians employed by Conservation Districts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County of Eaton implores the legislature to properly fund Michigan Conservation Districts and work with MDARD and the Michigan Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) to find or develop a restricted funding source to provide Conservation District's with a yearly allocation of \$13,000,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be provided to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Sarah Anthony, Representatives Angela Witwer, Rachelle Smit, Gina Johnson, and Emily Dievendorf, as well as the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Director Tim Boring and Deputy Director Kathy Angerer and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #24-4-44 Resolution to Accept September 30, 2022 Eaton County Audit.

WHEREAS, the firm of Rehmann is completing an audit of Eaton County for the year ending September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee received a preliminary draft of the financial statements and discussed the result of the audit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approve the submission of the September 30, 2023 Eaton County audit upon issuance of the final report as required by Michigan Department of Treasury.

Seconded by Commissioner Brehler. Carried unanimously. (On file)

Director of Equalization Tim Vandermark presented the 2024 Equalization L4024 Report. Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of the 2024 Equalization L4024 Report. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #24-4-45 Resolution to Approve the Appraiser Contractual Services Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Equalization Department has utilized an independent contractor to provide appraisal services to assist in completing the required annual appraisal of property within the County during the equalization process; and

WHEREAS, the Department wishes to continue to utilize these services and is requesting authorization to enter into an agreement with Dougherty Assessing; and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has reviewed and is recommending the approval of the appraisal services contract (attached) for a one year period commencing April 17, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the proposed contract is for the maximum not-to-exceed amount of \$24,700.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners approves the contract for appraisal services with Accurate Assessing LLC; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Equalization Director is authorized to execute the contract renewal agreement on behalf of the County.

Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #24-4-46 Resolution to Authorize Application for Indigent Defense Commission – Public Defender Grant and Compliance Plan.

WHEREAS, the County adopted a compliance plan as required by the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Act established the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC), PA 93 of 2013, on November 15, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission has Indigent Defense Grant funds available; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County has operated a Public Defender's Office under MIDC since 2020; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding request in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, with a County match based on state guidance for the award period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Public Defender's Office to submit the Indigent Defense grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires additional County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant-funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

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

Seconded by Commissioner Haskell. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rogers moved the approval #24-4-47 Resolution Pledging Full Faith and Credit to the Belaire Hills Drainage District.

WHEREAS pursuant to a petition filed with the Drain Commissioner of the County of Eaton, State of Michigan (the "Drain Commissioner"), proceedings have been taken under the provisions of Act 40, Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended (the "Act"), for the making of certain intra-county drain improvements referred to as the Belaire Hills Drain Maintenance and Improvement Project (the "Project"), which is being undertaken by the Belaire Hills Drain Drainage District (the "Drainage District") in a Special Assessment District (the "Special Assessment District") established by the Drainage District; and

WHEREAS, the Project is necessary for the protection of the public health, and in order to provide funds to pay the costs of the Project, the Drain Commissioner intends to issue the Drainage District's bonds (the "Bonds"), in one or more series, in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000 pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable from assessments to be made upon public corporations and/or benefited properties in the Special Assessment District; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") may, by resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the Board, pledge the full faith and credit of the County for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds pursuant to Section 276 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the pledge of the full faith and credit of the County to the Bonds will reduce the cost of financing the Project and will be a benefit to the people of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED as follows:

1. The County pledges its full faith and credit for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds in a par amount not to exceed \$1,400,000. The County shall immediately advance sufficient moneys from County funds, as a first budget obligation, to pay the principal of and interest on any of the Bonds should the Drainage District fail to pay such amounts when due. The County shall, if necessary, levy a tax on all taxable property in the County, to the extent other available funds are insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

2. Should the County advance County funds pursuant to the pledge made in this Resolution, the amounts shall be repaid to the County from assessments or reassessments made upon benefited properties in the Special Assessment District as provided in the Act.

3. The Chairperson of the Board, the County Controller/Administrator, the County Clerk, the County Treasurer and any other official of the County, or any one or more of them ("Authorized Officers"), are authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or desirable for the issuance of the Bonds and to execute any documents or certificates necessary to complete the issuance of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, any applications including the Michigan Department of Treasury, Application for State Treasurer's Approval to Issue Long-Term Securities, any waivers, certificates, receipts, orders, agreements, instruments, and any certificates relating to federal or state securities laws, rules, or regulations and to participate in the preparation of a

preliminary official statement and a final official statement for the Bonds and to sign such documents on behalf of the County and give any approvals necessary therefor.

4. Any one of the Authorized Officers is hereby authorized to execute a certificate of the County to comply with the continuing disclosure undertaking of the County with respect to the Bonds pursuant to paragraph (b)(5) of SEC Rule 15c2-12 issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and amendments to such certificate from time to time in accordance with the terms of such certificate (the certificate and any amendments thereto are collectively referred to herein as the "Continuing Disclosure Certificate").

5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions are, to the extent of any conflict with this resolution, rescinded to the extent of the conflict.

Seconded by Commissioner Toomey. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #24-4-48 Resolution to Approve FY 2023/2024 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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 101.101

Increase	Professional Services	\$ 5,000
Increase	Use of Fund Balance	\$ 5,000

To increase budget for Capital Council of Governments (CAPCOG) increase for annual dues.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE 101.301

No Budgetary Change	Wage and Fringe Benefits	\$ 0
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To amend the position allocation list as requested by Public Safety to increase the rank of the current detective sergeant to a detective lieutenant.

Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of claims as audited by the Ways & Means Committee for \$13,337,003.99 and to accept the report of previously authorized payments.

Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried unanimously.

Limited Public Comment: Justin Kilgore spoke regarding the second annual Earth Day celebration to be held at the Lansing Mall Barnes & Noble on April 20, 2024.

County resident Jackie Blanc spoke in support of selling and removing the adjacent structure to the Lincoln Brick property. She also spoke in support of a tornado shelter at the Lincoln Brick facility.

Russ Hicks stated that April is National Dam Safety Awareness Month, and May 31 is National Dam Safety Awareness Day. He spoke regarding the safety of Eaton County dams.

Director Rachel Cuschieri-Murry thanks the Commissioner for approving the resolution opposing the FY 2025 governor's recommended budget for the reduction of operational funding to the Michigan conservation districts. She also noted a new outbreak of an invasive plant species.

Administrator's Report: Controller Sobie thanked public, the Commissioners and the Stability Workgroup for their support of the public townhalls. She also spoke in regarding initial budget requests from departments. Her office will be working closely with departments as the budget process continues. This will be a difficult budget year, so the board will be making difficult decisions.

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Mulder thanked the Controller's office staff for their work on the recent townhalls

Commissioner Barnes stated the Vermontville Syrup Festival will be held April 26-28.

Commissioner Toomey stated that the Windsor Township/Dorothy Hull Library Annual Clean-up Day will be held on May 18th.

Commissioner Mott thanked the Eaton County Sheriff Department and Scott Brooks for their participation in an active violence educational workshop, held for superintendents, elected officials and administrators. It provided valuable information for all.

There was no Unfinished Business or Old Business.

New Business: Commissioner Brehler moved to enter into closed session at 8:13 p.m. under Section 15.268 (8e) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss insulin price fixing with Attorney Lisa Esser from Sommers PC.
Seconded by Commissioner Toomey.

Roll call vote. Yeas: Commissioners Barnes, Mulder, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Mudry, Brehler, Droscha, Toomey, Hansen, Lautzenheiser, Mott, Holmes, Rogers and Mott. Nays: None. Carried unanimously. Absent: Commissioner Augustine.

Regular session resumed at 8:33 p.m.

Commissioner Brehler moved the approval of #24-4-49 Resolution Authorizing Legal Counsel to Initiate Lawsuit(S) Against Companies Concerning Their Alleged Manipulation of the Market for Insulin and Insulin-Analog Diabetes Medications.

WHEREAS, diabetes is a public health epidemic, with more than 10% of the U.S. population having been diagnosed with diabetes and nearly double that number have prediabetes; and

WHEREAS, due to the prevalence and severity of diabetes, insulin is a necessary, life-saving medicine; and

WHEREAS, insulin was discovered in 1921, was harvested from animals until 1978 when the first biosynthetic human insulin was developed, and very few scientific advances in insulin have occurred since the 1980s; and

WHEREAS, despite the prominence of the disease and the long-understood treatment with insulin, the costs associated with diabetes treatment in the United States have skyrocketed in the last 20 years, and since 2003, the list price of certain insulins has increased by more than 1,000%, greatly outpacing the inflation rate for consumer goods and services; and

WHEREAS, a 2022 Yale study found that 14% of insulin users in the United States face “catastrophic” levels of spending on insulin, meaning they spent at least 40% of their post-subsistence income on insulin; and

WHEREAS, a 2020 study of 2018 insulin pricing found that the average manufacturer price per standard unit across all insulins in the United States was just over \$98, but the price in other countries ranged between about \$5 and \$15; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2021, after a two-year investigation which aimed to shed light on how drug manufacturers price insulin medication, the role played by pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs), and the financial and contractual relationships between these entities, the U.S. Senate Finance Committee on Finance published at 90-page report titled, “Insulin: examining the factors driving the rising cost of a century old drug” (the “Senate Report”); and

WHEREAS, the Senate Report noted, among other things that “manufacturers aggressively raised the WAC [the list price (the Wholesale Acquisition Cost)] of their insulin products absent significant advances in the efficacy of the drugs”; and

WHEREAS, the Senate Report also discussed the flow of money between manufacturers and PBMs, finding that “relatively little is publicly known about these financial relationships and the impact they have on insulin costs borne by consumers, even though PBMs play a major role in the drug supply and payment chain by negotiating drug rebates and discounts with manufacturers and managing drug benefits for health care payers,” including Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, 99% of the market for insulin products is controlled by three manufacturers, Eli Lilly, Novo Nordisk, and Sanofi-Aventis, and three PBMs, CVS Caremark, Express Scripts, and OptumRx, control 89% of the PBM market; and

WHEREAS, state and local governments around the country have filed lawsuits against Eli Lilly, Novo Nordisk, Sanofi-Aventis, CVS Health, Express Scripts, and OptumRx, alleging that they conspired to raise the list prices for insulin products, resulting in increased profits for the pharmaceutical companies at the expense of self-funded health care payers like Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, it has been estimated self-funded health care payers like Eaton County have been overcharged for insulin by at least 75%; and

WHEREAS, it is prudent for Eaton County to explore every option available to recover overpayments and combat abusive and unlawful market manipulation in the pharmaceutical industry, including litigation against pharmaceutical companies

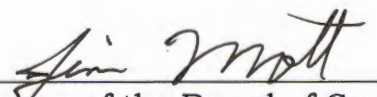
and/or PBMs whose actions may have contributed to or exacerbated inflated prices for insulin medications within Eaton County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Eaton, Michigan hereby authorizes the County Controller/Administrator at their discretion, to select outside counsel and to enter into a contingency fee arrangement with outside counsel, whereby outside counsel will not be compensated unless Eaton County receives a financial benefit as a result of the proposed claims, to commence a lawsuit exclusively on behalf of Eaton County, against any pharmaceutical company, PBM, and/or other entity that engages in market manipulation practices that inflated the prices for insulin medication within Eaton County; and

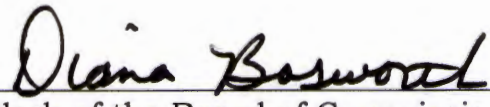
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Controller/Administrator is authorized and requested to provide a report to the Eaton County Board of Commissioners as soon as practicable if outside counsel is engaged with regular updates as the litigation progresses.

Seconded by Commissioner Toomey. Yeas: Commissioners Barnes, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Youngquist, Mudry, Brehler, Droscha, Toomey, Hansen, Lautzenheiser, Holmes, Rogers and Mott. Nays: Commissioner Mulder. Motion carried.

Chairman Mott adjourned the meeting to Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.



Chairman of the Board of Commissioners



Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
JASON SHIPMAN
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
APRIL 17, 2024**

WHEREAS, Jason Shipman will be retiring from Eaton County on April 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Jason worked in the Sheriff's Office from June 22, 1998, as a Deputy, then a Sergeant, and is now retiring as a Lieutenant with more than 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Jason 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 Jason'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 Jason 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 17th day of the month of April in the year 2024.

Jim Mott

Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth

Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
JASON SHIPMAN
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
APRIL 17, 2024**

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright.

WHEREAS, Jason Shipman will be retiring from Eaton County on April 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Jason worked in the Sheriff's Office from June 22, 1998, as a Deputy, then a Sergeant, and is now retiring as a Lieutenant with more than 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Jason 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 Jason'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 Jason 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 17th day of the month of April in the year 2024. Carried unanimously.

Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
THE HONORABLE JOHN MAURER
CIRCUIT COURT**

APRIL 17, 2024

WHEREAS, the Honorable Judge John Maurer retires from Eaton County on April 30, 2024; and

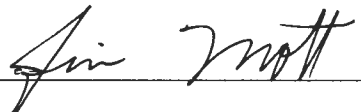
WHEREAS, Judge Maurer was appointed as the Circuit Court Judge on May 2, 2016, and was elected as judge effective January 1, 2019, and is retiring from Eaton County after more than seven years of service; and

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

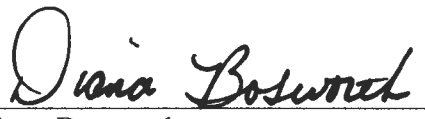
WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Judge Maurer's years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners expresses its sincere gratitude for the years of exceptional service the Honorable Judge John Maurer has 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 17th day of the month of April in the year 2024.



Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners



Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
THE HONORABLE JOHN MAURER
CIRCUIT COURT**

APRIL 17, 2024

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Judge John Maurer retires from Eaton County on April 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Judge Maurer was appointed as the Circuit Court Judge on May 2, 2016, and was elected as judge effective January 1, 2019, and is retiring from Eaton County after more than seven years of service; and

WHEREAS, Judge Maurer 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 Judge Maurer'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 the Honorable Judge John Maurer has 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 17th day of the month of April in the year 2024. Carried unanimously.

Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR
THE OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY PLANNING
STRATEGIC TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Police, Office of Highway Safety Planning has grant funds available for the Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program for the period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff is prepared to apply for the grant and coordinate the program, which will provide up to \$30,000 of overtime for purposes of developing more comprehensive strategies to reduce fatal crashes and increase seat belt use; and

WHEREAS, there are no required matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Sheriff Department be authorized to apply for the Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program through the Office of Highway Safety Planning; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the Office of Highway Safety Planning; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee is authorized to sign the necessary documents. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR GRANT UNDER THE
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ACT 1988, P.A. 511**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, Eaton County has operated programs under the Community Corrections Act, 1988, P.A. 511; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Community Corrections Advisory Board will review on April 24, 2024 and is recommending, pending that review, the submission of a request for funds for the 2024/2025 fiscal year not to exceed \$450,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the submission of the above entitled grants; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the grant is not continued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate Committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign all of the necessary contracts or documents. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR MICHIGAN DRUG
COURT GRANT PROGRAM (MDCGP)
ADULT CIRCUIT DRUG COURT (ACDC)**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office has grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department operates an Adult Circuit Drug Court which is grant funded; and

WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding to continue the Adult Circuit Drug Court.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Adult Circuit Drug Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR EDWARD BYRNE
MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (BRYNE JAG)
ADULT CIRCUIT DRUG COURT (ACDC)**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Office of Drug Control Policy has Byrne Memorial Grant funds available through an inter-agency agreement with the Michigan State Court Administrative Office; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department operates an Adult Circuit Drug Court which is grant funded; and

WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding to continue the Adult Circuit Drug Court.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Adult Circuit Drug Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**APRIL 17, 2024****RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR MICHIGAN DRUG COURT
GRANT PROGRAM (MDCGP)
DISTRICT HYBRID COURT****Introduced by the Public Safety Committee**

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts, through the Community Corrections Department and the District Court Probation Department, has operated a District Court sobriety program for approximately twenty years; and

WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the District Court seeks to expand the program with grant funds to provide treatment and tether services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the District Court Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County District Court Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**APRIL 17, 2024****RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR SWIFT AND SURE
SANCTIONS PROBATION PROGRAM GRANT (SSSPP)****Introduced by the Public Safety Committee**

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office has Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program Grant funds available; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County currently operates a Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department is desirous of continuing the program focusing on high-risk felony probationers with a demonstrated history of probation failures due to behavioral noncompliance or three or more probation violations. This grant would provide funding to operate the Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP); and

WHEREAS, the SSSPP primary goal is to increase compliance with probation terms by imposing certain, swift, and consistent sanctions for probation violations; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding request be in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, with no County match for the award period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit the SSSPP grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR MICHIGAN DRUG COURT
GRANT PROGRAM (MDCGP)
FELONY SOBRIETY COURT**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Circuit Court through the Eaton County Community Corrections Department, has operated a Felony Sobriety drug court grant for approximately fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, the State Court Administrative Office is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Felony Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR EDWARD BYRNE
MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (BYRNE JAG)
FELONY SOBRIETY COURT GRANT**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Office of Drug Control Policy has Byrne Memorial Grant funds available through an inter-agency agreement with the Michigan State Court Administrative Office; and

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Department operates an Adult OUIL III Drug Court which is grant funded; and

WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding to continue the Adult OUIL III Drug Court.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Felony Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide. Carried uninaously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR MICHIGAN VETERANS
TREATMENT COURT GRANT PROGRAM (MVTCGP)**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts began operating a Veterans' Treatment Court (J. Sauter Veterans Treatment Court) in the fall of 2013; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025 with no required cash match.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 which includes funding of a case manager; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to the Mid-Michigan Treatment Court Foundation for its collaboration and support in addressing the needs of Eaton County Felony Sobriety Court participants supplemental to what the grant funds are able to provide. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICE OF HIGHWAY
SAFETY PLANNING (OHSP) GRANT
FELONY SOBRIETY COURT**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts, through the Eaton County Community Corrections Department, has operated an Adult OUIL III Drug Court for approximately twenty years; and

WHEREAS, the United States Office of Highway Safety Planning through the State of Michigan is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$200,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICE OF HIGHWAY
SAFETY PLANNING (OHSP) GRANT
DISTRICT HYBRID COURT**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Brehler.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Trial Courts, through the Eaton County Community Corrections Department and the District Court Probation Department, has operated a District Court Sobriety drug court grant for approximately twenty years; and

WHEREAS, the United States Office of Highway Safety Planning through the State of Michigan is making grant funds available for the period of October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Community Corrections Department to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the grant is not continued or requires a County appropriation, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of the General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee be authorized to sign any necessary contracts or documents. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**APRIL 17, 2024****RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR STATE DISASTER EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY FUND
GRANT ASSISTANCE FROM AUGUST 2023 STORMS****Introduced by the Public Safety Committee**

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

WHEREAS, Eaton County, Michigan, is a political subdivision within the State of Michigan with an official Emergency Operations plan in compliance with Section 19 of the Emergency Management Act, Act 390, Public Acts of 1976, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County sustained severe losses of major proportions brought on by the August 24 and 25, 2023 storms, resulting in the following conditions: 67.54% of the residents in Eaton County experienced an interruption in their power supply, this also resulted in extensive damage, inflicted upon the county's infrastructure. Multiple compromised powerlines impeded roadways and posed hazards to public safety. Additionally, debris management measures were significant and required a robust cleanup effort; and

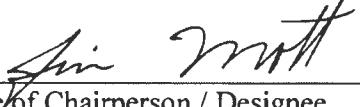
WHEREAS, Eaton County and the Emergency Management Office certify that the Eaton County Emergency Operations Plan was implemented at the onset of the disaster throughout specific areas of Eaton County, and all applicable disaster relief forces identified therein were exhausted; and

WHEREAS, as a direct result of the disaster, public damage and expenditures were extraordinary and place an unreasonable great financial burden on Eaton County; and

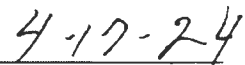
WHEREAS, Eaton County is requesting to apply for State Disaster Emergency Contingency Grant funding one hundred and thirty-seven thousand and nine hundred and thirty-nine dollars (\$137,939).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners requests the Governor authorize a grant to the County of Eaton from the State Disaster Contingency Fund pursuant to Section 19, Act 390, Public Acts of 1976, as amended; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or his designee is authorized to execute for and on behalf of Eaton County the application for financial assistance and to provide to the State any information required for that purpose. Carried unanimously.



Signature of Chairperson / Designee



Date

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EMAIL AND MESSAGING USE POLICY

Introduced by the Information Technology & Communication Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Technology Services Department has developed an Email and Messaging Use Policy as part of a comprehensive Information Security Policy Manual development to achieve compliance with IRS Pub 1075 Guidelines for the receipt and storage of Federal Tax Information (FTI) within the County-operated technology network utilized by the Friend of the Court; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Email and Messaging Use Policy has been submitted to and reviewed by the Information Technology and Communication Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology and Communication Committee recommends the approval of the Email and Messaging Use Policy as submitted by the Technology Services Department.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the Email and Messaging Use Policy, effective immediately. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SOFTWARE USAGE POLICY

Introduced by the Information Technology & Communication Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Technology Services Department has developed a Software Usage Policy as part of a comprehensive Information Security Policy Manual development to achieve compliance with IRS Pub 1075 Guidelines for the receipt and storage of Federal Tax Information (FTI) within the County-operated technology network utilized by the Friend of the Court; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Software Usage Policy has been submitted to and reviewed by the Information Technology and Communication Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology and Communication Committee recommends the approval of the Software Usage Policy as submitted by the Technology Services Department.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the Software Usage Policy, effective immediately. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**APRIL 17, 2024****RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO PREPARE A MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLAN
(MMP) FOR EATON COUNTY****Introduced by the Public Works and Planning Committee**

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

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy (EGLE) is overseeing the transition from solid waste disposal to a new materials management system that will be geared toward seeking alternatives to landfilling, reducing environmental impacts, contributing to a circular economy, and identifying the highest and best use for all materials including recyclables, organics, and solid wastes; and

WHEREAS, amendments to Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, went into effect on March 29, 2023 and require all counties to prepare a Materials Management Plan (MMP); and

WHEREAS, the EGLE Director officially initiated the MMP process as of January 8, 2024 and requires all County Board of Commissioners to respond within 180 days; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County intends to submit a Notice of Intent to EGLE within 180 days identifying the Eaton County Board of Commissioners as the County Approval Agency (CAA) which is the entity that assumes responsibility for the MMP and is authorized to approve the MMP.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners accepts the CAA responsibilities and approves the submission of a Notice of Intent to EGLE to prepare an MMP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chair of the Board to execute the Notice of Intent for Eaton County and act as the CAA primary contact.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller/Administrator be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase grant revenue and expenditures.

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

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**APRIL 17, 2024****RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE FY 2025 GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR THE REDUCTION OF OPERATIONAL FUNDING TO THE MICHIGAN CONSERVATION DISTRICTS AND THE ELIMINATION OF LOCAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE MICHIGAN AGRICULTURE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE PROGRAM (MAEAP)****Introduced by the Public Works and Planning Committee**

Commissioner Rogers moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright.

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2024, Governor Whitmer released her Executive Budget Recommendation for fiscal year 2025 which included under the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) recommended budget a \$1,000,000.00 cut to Michigan Conservation District's operating budget.

WHEREAS, the fiscal year 2025 budget recommendation for MDARD also recommended the termination of local Conservation District Technicians who administer the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program and replace them with 24 State employees.

WHEREAS, this recommendation undermines the local conservation delivery system led by local Conservation Districts covering all 83 Michigan counties using the voluntary, non-regulatory, educational approach used all across the country to address natural resources concerns at the local level.

WHEREAS, Michigan passed Public Act 297 of 1937 to establish Conservation District's as local units of State Government to work with landowners in every county to address natural resource concerns driven by a five member publicly elected Board of Directors. These Boards establish conservation priorities based on their local needs and voluntarily work with landowners to address critical natural resource concerns, the only organization that can do this on private land with the trust of the landowner.

WHEREAS, Michigan Conservation Districts have been critically underfunded for decades. This has left many Conservation Districts without staff to implement programs or provide assistance. Because of this, Michigan Conservation Districts experience high employee turnover which undermines the success of programs and the ability to administer assistance to the public.

WHEREAS, Michigan cannot effectively allocate federal funds from the Inflation Reduction Act and Title II of the Farm Bill due to the lack of funding provided by the State of Michigan. This leaves critical federal dollars on the table that is reallocated to other States that can deliver Farm Bill dollars more effectively.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Eaton requests that the FY 2025 budget maintain the operational budget for Michigan Conservation District's at \$3,000,000.00 and maintain the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP) at its current capacity with local technicians employed by Conservation Districts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County of Eaton implores the legislature to properly fund Michigan Conservation Districts and work with MDARD and the Michigan Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) to find or develop a restricted funding source to provide Conservation District's with a yearly allocation of \$13,000,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be provided to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Sarah Anthony, Representatives Angela Witwer, Rachelle Smit, Gina Johnson, and Emily Dievendorf, as well as the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Director Tim Boring and Deputy Director Kathy Angerer and the Michigan Association of Counties. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE SEPTEMBER 30, 2023
EATON COUNTY AUDIT**

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, the firm of Rehmann is completing an audit of Eaton County for the year ending September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee received a preliminary draft of the financial statements and discussed the result of the audit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approve the submission of the September 30, 2023 Eaton County audit upon issuance of the final report as required by Michigan Department of Treasury. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 17, 2024

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPRAISAL SERVICES CONTRACT

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Equalization Department has utilized an independent contractor to provide appraisal services to assist in completing the required annual appraisal of property within the County during the equalization process; and

WHEREAS, the Department wishes to continue to utilize these services and is requesting authorization to enter into an agreement with Dougherty Assessing; and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has reviewed and is recommending the approval of the appraisal services contract (attached) for a one year period commencing April 17, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the proposed contract is for the maximum not-to-exceed amount of \$24,700.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners approves the contract for appraisal services with Accurate Assessing LLC; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Equalization Director is authorized to execute the contract renewal agreement on behalf of the County. Carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE
GRANT**

Introduced by the Ways & Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, the County adopted a compliance plan as required by the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Act established the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC), PA 93 of 2013, on November 15, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission has Indigent Defense Grant funds available; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County has operated a Public Defender's Office under MIDC since 2020; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding request in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, with a County match based on state guidance for the award period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Public Defender's Office to submit the Indigent Defense grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires additional County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant-funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

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

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION PLEDGING FULL FAITH AND CREDIT
TO BELAIRE HILLS DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT BONDS

RESOLUTION # 24-4-47

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Eaton County, Michigan, held in the County on April 17, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: Commissioners Tim Barnes, Blake Mulder, 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.

ABSENT: None.

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Rogers and supported by Commissioner Toomey:

WHEREAS pursuant to a petition filed with the Drain Commissioner of the County of Eaton, State of Michigan (the "Drain Commissioner"), proceedings have been taken under the provisions of Act 40, Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended (the "Act"), for the making of certain intra-county drain improvements referred to as the Belaire Hills Drain Maintenance and Improvement Project (the "Project"), which is being undertaken by the Belaire Hills Drain Drainage District (the "Drainage District") in a Special Assessment District (the "Special Assessment District") established by the Drainage District; and

WHEREAS, the Project is necessary for the protection of the public health, and in order to provide funds to pay the costs of the Project, the Drain Commissioner intends to issue the Drainage District's bonds (the "Bonds"), in one or more series, in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000 pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable from assessments to be made upon public corporations and/or benefited properties in the Special Assessment District; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") may, by resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the Board, pledge the full faith and credit of the County for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds pursuant to Section 276 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the pledge of the full faith and credit of the County to the Bonds will reduce the cost of financing the Project and will be a benefit to the people of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED as follows:

1. The County pledges its full faith and credit for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds in a par amount not to exceed \$1,400,000. The County shall immediately advance sufficient moneys from County funds, as a first budget obligation, to pay the principal of and interest on any of the Bonds should the Drainage District fail to pay such amounts when due. The County shall, if necessary, levy a tax on all taxable property in the County, to the extent other available funds are insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

2. Should the County advance County funds pursuant to the pledge made in this Resolution, the amounts shall be repaid to the County from assessments or reassessments made upon benefited properties in the Special Assessment District as provided in the Act.

3. The Chairperson of the Board, the County Controller/Administrator, the County Clerk, the County Treasurer and any other official of the County, or any one or more of them ("Authorized Officers"), are authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or desirable for the issuance of the Bonds and to execute any documents or certificates necessary to complete the issuance of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, any applications including the Michigan Department of Treasury, Application for State Treasurer's Approval to Issue Long-Term Securities, any waivers, certificates, receipts, orders, agreements, instruments, and any certificates relating to federal or state securities laws, rules, or regulations and to participate in the preparation of a preliminary official statement and a final official statement for the Bonds and to sign such documents on behalf of the County and give any approvals necessary therefor.

4. Any one of the Authorized Officers is hereby authorized to execute a certificate of the County to comply with the continuing disclosure undertaking of the County with respect to the Bonds pursuant to paragraph (b)(5) of SEC Rule 15c2-12 issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and amendments to such certificate from time to time in accordance with the terms of such certificate (the certificate and any amendments thereto are collectively referred to herein as the "Continuing Disclosure Certificate").

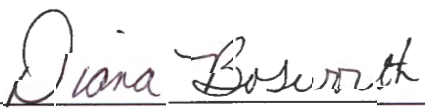
5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions are, to the extent of any conflict with this resolution, rescinded to the extent of the conflict.

YEAS: Commissioners Mulder, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Youngquist, Mudry, Brehler, Droscha, Toomey, Hansen, Lautzenheiser, Holmes, Rogers and Mott.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

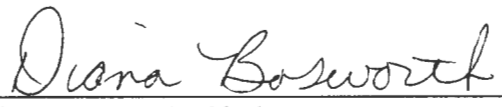


Diana Bosworth, Clerk
County of Eaton

CERTIFICATION

I, Diana Bosworth, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Eaton County, Michigan (the "County") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners at a meeting held on April 17, 2024, the original of which is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

Date: April 22, 2024



Diana Bosworth, Clerk
County of Eaton

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**APRIL 17, 2024****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 Pearl-Wright.

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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 101.101**

Increase	Professional Services	\$ 5,000
Increase	Use of Fund Balance	\$ 5,000

To increase budget for Capital Council of Governments (CAPCOG) increase for annual dues.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE 101.301

No Budgetary Change	Wage and Fringe Benefits	\$ 0
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To amend the position allocation list as requested by Public Safety to increase the rank of the current detective sergeant to a detective lieutenant. Carried unanimously.