EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 17, 2025

The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte, Wednesday, September 17, 2025, including the availability of virtual attendance by the public.

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

Commissioner Droscha gave the invocation.

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

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

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Arndt. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of August 8, 2025 special and closed meeting minutes and August 20, 2025 regular meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Whitacre. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Mott requested a moment of silence for Construction Code employee Clarence Parks who passed away this week.

Communications: Kalamazoo County Resolution Opposing DHHS Plan to Implement Competitive Procurement Process for PIHP. Berrien County Resolution Supporting SB 293 and 294 creating effective bond-or-forfeit process for animals seized due to pending or active court cases. Eaton Rapids Senior Center Request for Funding. Elimination of funding for Eaton County's MSU Extension (On file)

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of #25-9-92 Resolution of Appreciation for Colette Scrimger Barry-Eaton District Health Department. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of #25-9-93 Resolution of Appreciation for Ross Tyrell Sheriff's Office. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Public Comments: Andy Shaver, Chester Township resident, spoke regarding the lack of representation in vacant Commissioner District 1.

Commissioner Barber moved the approval of #25-9-94 Resolution to Approve DCA 9-25-2 Map Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Holmes moved the approval of #25-9-95 Resolution to Approve Intensive Detention Reentry Program (IPRD) Agreement Extension with the Michigan Department of Corrections. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Holmes moved the approval of #25-9-96 Resolution to Approve Westside Residential Alternative to Prison (WRAP) Agreement Extension with the Michigan Department of Corrections. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #25-9-97 Resolution to Approve Barry-Eaton District Health Department Technology Contract. Seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of Revising Parameters for Starting Salaries — Letter of Agreement w/POAM Sheriff Non-Supervisory Group. Seconded by Commissioner Barber. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of Change to Educational Requirements — Letter of Agreement w/COAM Sheriff Supervisory Group. Seconded by Commissioner Haskell. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #25-9-98 Resolution to Approve FY24/25 Budget Amendments. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #25-9-99 Resolution to Approve FY24/25 Budget Amendments - Additional. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of the Amendment to the Eaton County Purchasing Policy. Seconded by Commissioner Christensen. Nays: Toomey. Motion carried. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #25-9-100 Resolution Approving Eaton County Participation in any Future and Present National Opioid Settlement Agreements. Seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #25-9-101 Resolution to Amend Resolution #25-3-36 Authorizing DNR Trust Fund Application. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #25-9-102 Resolution Opposing House of Representatives' FY26 Budget Cuts to County Revenue Sharing. Seconded by Commissioner Peek. Motion carried unanimously. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of Resolution to Reduce Meeting Per Diem and Taxable Mileage Compensation. Seconded by Commissioner Barber. Discussion held. Roll call votes. Ayes: Commissioners Holmes, Barber. Nays: Commissioners Arndt, Peek, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Whitacre, Mudry, Jones, Droscha, Toomey, Hansen, Christensen, Mott. Motion fails. (On file)

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of claims as audited by the Ways & Means Committee for $13,466,367.35 and to accept the report of previously authorized payments. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Droscha moved the approval of #25-9-103 Resolution to Adopt 2025-2026 Eaton County Budget and Winter Tax Rates. Seconded by Commissioner Arndt. Roll call vote: Commissioners Arndt, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Whitacre, Mudry, Jones, Droscha, Hansen, Christensen, Holmes, Barber, Mott. Nays: Peek, Toomey. Motion carried. (On file)

Administrator's Report: Controller Sobie presented a note from Physical Plant employee Kirk Hewitt thanking the Board for their appreciation of County employees throughout this budget process. She noted that this sentiment reflects the appreciation of county employees.

Elected Official Comments: County Treasurer Darius Reynnet stated the Eaton County Landbank successfully sold properties in Potterville and Sunfield. He noted the annual foreclosed real estate auction on September 18th at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse. He commended his staff for their excellent customer service.

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Christensen stated Friends of Eaton County Animal Control will hold a fundraising event at Courthouse Square on September 27th. Commissioner Arndt stated a chicken dinner fundraiser will be held at the Watson Country School on September 18th. Commissioner Pearl-Wright stated she hopes future revenues might allow restoration of some of the budget cuts. Commissioner Mudry thanked Chairman Mott, Controller Sobie and her team for their hard work on the budget. Commissioner Haskell stated although he was unhappy about some budget cuts, a balanced budget was necessary. Commissioner Peek expressed appreciation for all the work on the budget, though he disagreed with some of the cuts.

Commissioner Hansen spoke regarding passing of former teacher Marcia Howe, and other recent losses. Chairman Mott thanked Commissioners and the Controller's staff for all the hard work on the budget over the past two years.

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

Public Comment: Bill Hendrian, MSU Extension Director, spoke regarding the effects of funding reductions to MSU Extension, and thanked the Board for honoring County employees.

Employees Liz Walby, Logan Bailey, Ben Dawson, and Claudine Williams expressed appreciation for Chairman Mott, the Commissioners, Controller Sobie and staff for passing a budget that protected County employees and residents of Eaton County. Former Commissioner Barbara Rogers spoke regarding the failed County millages.

Chairman Mott adjourned the meeting to the next regular meeting on Thursday, October 15, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
COLETTE SCRIMGER
BARRY-EATON DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Colette Scrimger will be retiring from the Barry-Eaton District Health Department on September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Colette worked for the Barry-Eaton District Health Department from June 29, 1998 to September 30, 2025, for a combined total of over 27 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Colette served as the Eaton County Health Officer for the past 13 years; and

WHEREAS, as the Eaton County Health Officer, Colette led the health department in efforts to protect the community through a variety of public health threats such as foodborne outbreaks, Legionella, EEE, Avian Influenza, Measles, and the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Colette also led the health department in the promotion of health by developing services related to health care access, dental care access, and services for those with substance use disorders; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners expresses its sincere gratitude for the years of exceptional service Colette Scrimger provided to the Barry-Eaton District Health Department and our residents.

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 September in the year 2025.

Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR COLETTE SCRIMGER BARRY-EATON DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, Colette Scrimger will be retiring from the Barry-Eaton District Health Department on September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Colette worked for the Barry-Eaton District Health Department from June 29, 1998 to September 30, 2025, for a combined total of over 27 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Colette served as the Eaton County Health Officer for the past 13 years; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners expresses its sincere gratitude for the years of exceptional service Colette Scrimger provided to the Barry-Eaton District Health Department and our residents.

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 September in the year 2025. Motion 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
ROSS TYRELL
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

WHEREAS, Ross Tyrell will be retiring from Eaton County on October 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Ross worked in the Sheriff's Office as a Sheriff's Deputy from November 1, 1999, a Lieutenant from March 9, 2017, and Captain from January 3, 2023, and is retiring with 22 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Ross 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 Ross'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 Ross 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 September in the year 2025.

Jim Mott
Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

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Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

#25-9-93

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR ROSS TYRELL SHERIFF'S OFFICE SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

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

WHEREAS, Ross Tyrell will be retiring from Eaton County on October 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Ross worked in the Sheriff's Office as a Sheriff's Deputy from November 1, 1999, a Lieutenant from March 9, 2017, and Captain from January 3, 2023, and is retiring with 22 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Ross 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 Ross'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 Ross 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 September in the year 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Mott
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 17, 2025

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DCA-9-25-2

Introduced by the Public Works and Human Services Committee

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

PREAMBLE: The Eaton County Land Development Code, an Ordinance adopted by the Commissioners of the County of Eaton pursuant to Public Act 183 of 1943, and administered pursuant to Public Act 110 of 2006, may be amended from time to time by following procedures outlined in Article 13 of the Development Code.

WHEREAS, Raymond Charles, owner of RHC Holdings LLC initiated a petition to change the Land Development District (zoning) designation for a 1.60-acre parcel located at 2334 S. Michigan Road, Section 26, Eaton Rapids Township from Local Business (C-1) to General Business (C-2); and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Planning Commission held a duly advertised and noticed public hearing on **September 2, 2025**; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Planning Commission found the requested amendment to be consistent with the required findings of fact (Items A through G) contained in Section 13.6 of the Eaton County Land Development Code; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Planning Commission has taken action on **September 2, 2025** to recommend the approval of the request for change in the Land Development District designation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Eaton, Michigan having considered the findings of facts and recommendations hereby:

APPROVES the request by Raymond Charles, owner of RHC Holdings LLC who initiated a petition to change the Land Development District (zoning) designation for a 1.60-acre parcel located at 2334 S. Michigan Road, Section 26, Eaton Rapids Township from Local Business (C-1) to General Business (C-2);

COM 524.8 FT E, 668.6 FT N 31DEG E FROM W 1/4 POST, N 59DEG W 300 FT AT R/A WITH HWY, N 31DEG E 232 FT, S 59DEG E 300 FT TO NW HWY LINE, S 31DEG W 232 FT TO BEG. SUBJECT TO RIGHT OF WAY GRANTED TO STATE OF MI. SEC. 26, T2N,R3W, EATON RAPIDS TOWNSHIP 1973

At the regular meeting of the Eaton County Board of Commissioners on September 17, 2025 the Resolution regarding the approval of said request was adopted.

Those voting Aye: Commissioner Arndt, Peek, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Whitacre, Mudry, Jones Droscha, Toomey, Hansen, Christensen, Mott, Holmes, and Barber.

Those voting Nay: None

Abstention: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Jim Mott

Jim Mott, Chairman
Eaton County Board of Commissioners

I hereby certify that the above Ordinance amending the Eaton County Land Development Code, which was approved, is a true and correct copy of that recorded in the official minutes of September 17, 2025 of the Eaton County Board of Commissioners.

Diana Bosworth

Diana Bosworth, Clerk
Eaton County Board of Commissioners

EATON COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT DCA-9-25-2

District Change Amendment DCA-9-25-2 to amend the Zoning District Maps of the Land Development Code (Zoning Ordinance) of Eaton County, as enacted in 1981 pursuant to the provisions of Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended.

An application for a District Change Amendment to change a Land Development District designation on the Official Land Development District Map (Map Amendment) has been submitted by Raymond Charles owner of RHC Holdings LLC to rezone a 1.60 acre parcel from Local Business (C-1) to General Business (C-2) located at 2334 S. Michigan Road, Section 26, Eaton Rapids Township parcel 120-026-100-044-00 which is legally described as:

COM 524.8 FT E, 668.6 FT N 31DEG E FROM W 1/4 POST, N 59DEG W 300 FT AT R/A WITH HWY, N 31DEG E 232 FT, S 59DEG E 300 FT TO NW HWY LINE, S 31DEG W 232 FT TO BEG. SUBJECT TO RIGHT OF WAY GRANTED TO STATE OF MI. SEC. 26, T2N,R3W, EATON RAPIDS TOWNSHIP 1973

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Planning Commission held a duly advertised and noticed public hearing on **September 2, 2025**; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Planning Commission has taken action on **September 2, 2025** to recommend approval of the map amendment:

WHEREAS, after careful consideration of the amendment, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approved the aforementioned map amendment as follows:

Yeas 14
Nays 0
Abstaining 0
Absent 0

I, Diana Bosworth, Clerk for the County of Eaton, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the amendment to the Zoning District Maps of the Eaton County Land Development Code (Zoning Ordinance), as amended and passed by the Eaton County Board of Commissioners on **September 17, 2025** and now on record in the office of the Clerk of said County.

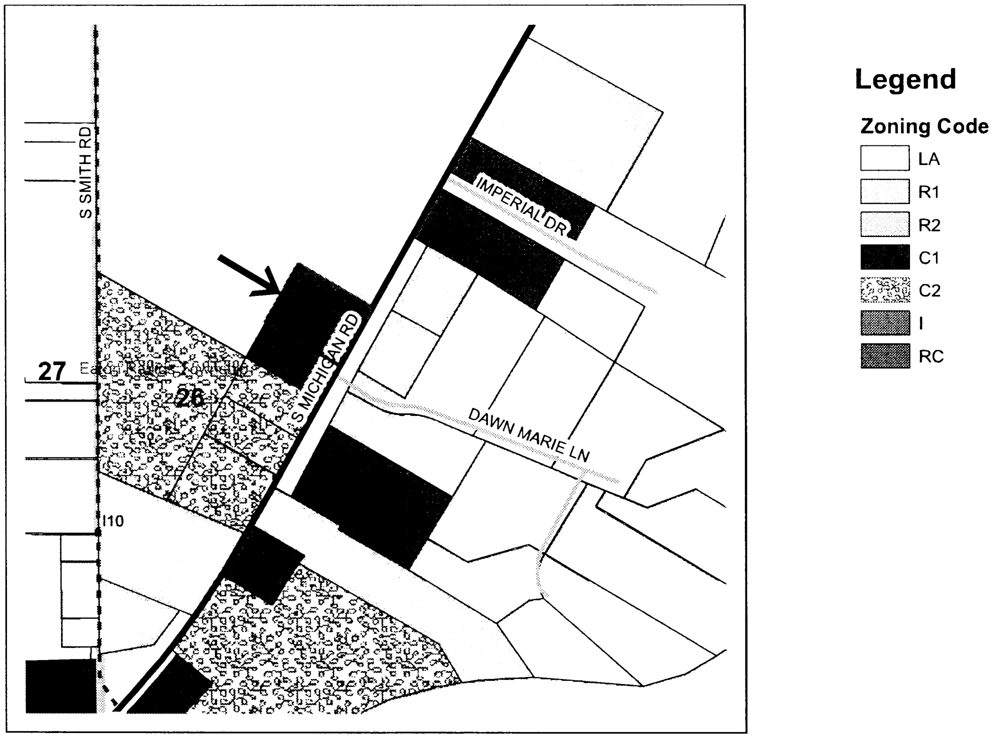
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at the City of Charlotte, Michigan, the

17 day of September, 2025

Jim Mott
Jim Mott, Chairman
Eaton County Board of Commissioners

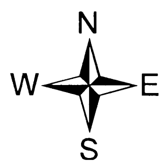
Diana Bosworth
Diana Bosworth, Clerk
Eaton County Board of Commissioners

LOCAL BUSINESS (C-1) CHANGED TO GENERAL BUSINESS (C-2)



Eaton County Department of Construction Codes & Planning and Zoning

Permit: DCA-9-25-2
Township: Eaton Rapids



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Jim Mott
Jim Mott, Chairman
Eaton County Board of Commissioners

Date: September 17, 2025

Diana Bosworth
Diana Bosworth, Clerk
Eaton County Board of Commissioners

Date: September 17, 2025

#25-9-95

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 17, 2025

RESOLUTION TO AMEND INTENSIVE DETENTION REENTRY PROGRAM (IDRP) AGREEMENT WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners approved the Intensive Detention Reentry Program (IDRP) renewal agreement (23-9-102) with the Michigan Department of Corrections (attached); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Corrections has proposed a second amendment to the renewal agreement to extend the terms through September 30, 2026 (attached).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the second amendment; and

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

#25-9-96

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 17, 2025

RESOLUTION TO AMEND WESTSIDE RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVE TO PRISON (WRAP) AGREEMENT WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners approved the Westside Residential Alternative to Prison (WRAP) renewal agreement (22-9-95) with the Michigan Department of Corrections; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Corrections has proposed a third amendment to the renewal agreement to extend the terms through September 30, 2026 (attached).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the third amendment; and

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

#25-9-97

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS; the Barry-Eaton District Health Department (BEDHD) is interested in Eaton County providing technology support services to BEDHD through the County Technology Services Department; and

WHEREAS; the Barry-Eaton District Health Department desires to enter into an agreement with Eaton County to deliver these technology services to include hardware and software end-user support services; and

WHEREAS; the Ways and Means Committee reviewed the proposed contract for technology support services and recommends its approval.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves the agreement for technology support services with the Barry-Eaton District Health Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee is authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of Eaton County. Motion carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2024/2025 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2024/2025 Appropriations Act of September 18, 2024, 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 2024/2025 Eaton County Budget:

GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

COUNTY CLERK ELECTIONS - 101.215.07

Increase	State Revenue – Election Reimbursement	$ 38,350
Increase	Professional Services	$ 38,350

To increase budget for November, 2024 Early Voting Costs and State Reimbursement.

COUNTY TREASURER - 101.253.00

Increase	Interest & Dividends	$ 600,000
Increase	Bank Service Charges	$ 35,000
Decrease	Fund Balance Carryover	$ 565,000

To increase budget based on updated revenue projections.

TRANSFERS OUT - 101.999.00

Increase	Transfers to Drain – Drain at Large	$ 300,000
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover (Use)	$ 300,000

To increase budget for the County's portion of Drain Assessments.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

PARKS & RECREATION – 208

Increase	Interest & Dividends	$ 80,000
Decrease	Fund Balance Carryover	$ 80,000

To increase budget for interest revenue based on updated revenue projections.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT - 225

Increase	Interest Revenue	$ 128,993
Increase	Reimbursements & Refunds	$ 1,370,317
Decrease	Fund Balance Carryover (Restricted Fund Balance)	$ 1,499,310

To increase budget for Inflation Reduction Act reimbursement for the Energy Efficiency Improvements to the County Complex. These funds will be deposited into a high-yield interest-bearing account and restricted to use for the future annual debt payments on the County's 2022 Energy & Infrastructure Installment Agreement.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) - 236

Increase	Project Costs	$ 25,500
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover (Use)	$ 25,500

To increase budget for repayment to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority of excess program income.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) - 282

Increase	Interest & Dividends	$ 175,000
Decrease	Fund Balance Carryover	$ 175,000

To increase budget for interest revenue based on updated revenue projections.

OPIOID SETTLEMENT - 284

Increase	Settlement Revenues – TEVA	$ 34,375
Increase	Settlement Revenues – Allegan	$ 43,535
Increase	Settlement Revenues – CVS	$ 73,535
Increase	Settlement Revenues – Walgreens	$ 27,245
Increase	Settlement Revenues – Kroger	$ 29,265
Increase	Interest & Dividends	$ 61,000
Decrease	Fund Balance Carryover	$ 268,955

To increase budget for Opioid Settlement Revenue not recognized at budget adoption.

DEBT SERVICE AND FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

DRAIN DEBT SERVICE FUND - 851

Increase	Proceeds from Borrowing	$ 8,368,206
Increase	Debt Service Principal & Interest	$ 4,340,206
Decrease	Fund Balance Carryover	$ 4,028,000

To increase budget for the consolidation of the Bank Intercounty Drain Debt. Motion carried unanimously.

#25-9-99

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2024/2025 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

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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 2024/2025 Eaton County Budget:

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

PARKS & RECREATION – 208

Increase	Personnel – Wages & Fringes	$	35,000
Increase	Fund Balance Carryover (Use)	$	35,000

To increase budget for personnel due to the approval of the new Parks Foreman, adopting work crews model for Park's projects to reduce the reliance on contractual services, and interim supervision in the absence of a permanent director. Motion carried unanimously.

#25-9-100

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

RESOLUTION APPROVING EATON COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN PRESENT AND FUTURE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, Eaton County has been directly impacted by the ongoing opioid epidemic, which has created significant challenges for local communities; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County has taken legal action and participated and intends to continue coordinated litigation efforts against certain opioid manufacturers, distributors, pharmacy benefit managers, retailers, and any other companies alleged to have contributed to the opioid crisis; and

WHEREAS, any such settlement fund distribution would be subject to the normal Eaton County appropriations and accounting process; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approved Resolution #23-3-25 and wishes to continue to authorize the Eaton County Controller/Administrator to enter into, approve, and sign all future participation agreements and settlement agreements as recommended by our national litigation counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State–Subdivision Agreement has been updated – restating, combining, and amending all prior agreements; and

WHEREAS, Eaton County's participation in the State–Subdivision Agreement is necessary to receive its share of settlement and/or bankruptcy proceeds from current and future opioid-related litigation or settlements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eaton County County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the execution of the amended Michigan State–Subdivision Agreement governing the allocation of funds from all opioid litigation settlements and bankruptcy proceedings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and approves the Eaton County Controller/Administrator to enter into, approve, and sign all future participation agreements, state-subdivision agreements and any settlement agreements, other ancillary legal documents, legal documents to amend or seek leave to amend its lawsuits as recommended by our national litigation counsel. Motion carried unanimously.

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION #25-3-36 AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR) TRUST FUND PROGRAM FOR AN ACQUISITION GRANT

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners approved by resolution (#25-3-36) on March 19, 2025, the submission of a grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Trust Fund Program for the acquisition of property identified as the Lincoln Brick Park Expansion; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Parks Department has identified a 49.9-acre parcel also known as the Lincoln Brick Expansion site to create additional county park land and open space for the citizens of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to amend the resolution to update the project cost and match funding percentage; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant request amount shall now be approximately $220,200.00, for this property acquisition and all other eligible project cost; and

WHEREAS, the parks department will commit to providing a local match of 26% ($77,400.00) for a total estimated project cost of $297,600.00.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby approves amending the DNR Trust Fund Grant application request to $220,200.00 which includes a 26% ($77,400.00) local match from Eaton County off from the total project cost of $297,600 to proceed with the acquisition of Lincoln Brick Expansion property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners or their designee be authorized to sign any necessary documents in reference to this amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

#25-9-102

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' FY26 BUDGET CUTS TO COUNTY REVENUE SHARING

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, counties are mandated by the State of Michigan to provide essential public services including courts, jails, elections, public health, public safety and human services; and

WHEREAS, unlike cities, villages and townships, counties do not receive constitutionally guaranteed revenue sharing and instead rely solely on statutory revenue sharing, leaving counties uniquely vulnerable to annual state budget decisions; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives' version of the Fiscal Year 2026 state budget proposes a $34.9 million reduction in county statutory revenue sharing, wiping out the long-overdue progress made in FY25 to restore revenue sharing to sustainable levels; and

WHEREAS, the House plan, if enacted, would leave counties with just over $256 million in statutory revenue sharing statewide, while constitutional revenue sharing for cities, villages and townships (CVTs) is set to reach $1.1 billion, and when combined with statutory revenue sharing, CVTs would get $1.4 billion; and

WHEREAS, the House plan shifts $40 million into restricted sheriff funding with strings attached, requiring counties to maintain higher law enforcement funding levels, even as flexible revenue sharing is reduced, thereby further straining already-limited general funds; and

WHEREAS, public safety dollars directed exclusively to sheriffs are not equivalent to revenue sharing, since they cannot be used to support the wide range of mandated services counties must provide; and

WHEREAS, the Senate budget proposal provides just over $320 million in county statutory revenue sharing, an increase of $29.1 million over FY25, and includes $60 million for public safety that can be allocated at the discretion of county boards of commissioners rather than bypassing them; and

WHEREAS, the Senate approach respects county governance, strengthens general fund flexibility, and better equips counties to meet their broad statutory responsibilities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners strongly urges the Michigan Legislature and governor to reject the House revenue sharing cuts and support the Senate's proposal to increase county revenue sharing and provide flexible funding for public safety needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senate Majority Leader Winnie Brinks, House Speaker Matt Hall and Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. Motion carried unanimously.

Adopted this 17th day of September, 2025.

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EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2025/2026 EATON COUNTY BUDGET

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, Public Act 621 of 1978, as amended, indicates that the Legislative body shall adopt a balanced budget for all funds by passing an Appropriations Act; and

WHEREAS, this resolution shall be known as the Fiscal Year 2026 General Appropriation Act; and

WHEREAS, that pursuant to State law, notice of a public hearing on the proposed budget was published in a newspaper of general circulation on September 1, 2025 and September 8, 2025, and a public hearing on the proposed budget was held on September 9, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County voters authorized millages of 0.7000 of a mill for Jail Debt and Operation, 0.9500 of a mill for 911, 0.2500 of a mill for EATRAN, 0.3500 of a mill for Juvenile Operations, 0.1250 of a mill for the Medical Care Facility, 1.5000 mills for Road Repair and Rehabilitation, and 0.5000 of a mill for Parks Operations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners will authorize, in June 2026, a general property tax levy on all real and personal property within the County upon the current tax roll for County general operations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Fiscal Year 2026 General Appropriations Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves a levy of the full amount allocated after application of MCL 211.34(d), the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 0.6983 of a mill for Jail Debt and Operation, 0.9486 of a mill for 911, 0.3495 of a mill for Juvenile Operations, 0.1246 of a mill for the Medical Care Facility, 1.4964 mills for Road Repair and Rehabilitation, and 0.4993 of a mill for Parks Operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners approves a levy of 0.2493 of a mill for EATRAN; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2025/2026 Eaton County General Fund (#101) budget of $40,763,976 be adopted by activity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other fund budgets (Special Revenue $40,008,033 and Debt Service $12,905,246) be adopted by activity, for a total 2025/2026 budget of $93,677,255; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Improvement Plan be adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any amendment to increase a salary and/or a Capital Outlay activity in excess of $5,000.00 shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any amendment to increase the total budget of any fund or department in excess of $5,000.00 shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners except that any amendment to decrease the General Fund Contingency shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to make such other budget amendments as necessary with the exception of those specified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the approved Position Allocation List contained in this resolution shall limit the number of permanent employees who can be employed in all departments, offices, and the courts, and no funds are appropriated for any permanent position or employee not on the Approved Position List; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as vacancies occur during the budget year, they shall not be refilled, except by specific Ways and Means Committee authorization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certain positions contained in the Position Allocation List which are supported in some part by a grant, cost sharing, reimbursement, or some other source of outside funding are only approved contingent upon the County receiving those budgeted revenues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event that some outside funding is not received or the County is notified that it will not be received, said positions shall be considered not funded and removed from the approved Position Allocation List; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is understood that revenues and expenditures may vary from those which are currently contemplated and may be changed from time to time by the Board of Commissioners during the 2025/2026 fiscal year, as deemed necessary. Consequently, there may be a need to increase or decrease various portions of the budget and/or impose layoffs due to unforeseen financial changes; therefore, the Board of Commissioners reserves the right to change the Approved Position Allocation List at any time. The County Elected Officials and County Department Heads shall abide by whatever changes are made by the Board of Commissioners, if any, relative to the approved position and the number of employees stated in the Position Allocation List.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the salaries of the County's Elected Officials are established according to the Elected Official Salary Schedule contained in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the activity appropriations which represent the estimated costs of operating the Courts in 2025/2026 are contingent upon reimbursements to Eaton County by the State of Michigan in accordance with MCL 600.151(b). County appropriations to the Courts, in accordance with P.A. 374 and 375 of 1996, are made contingent upon conformance to all county policies and

procedures regarding court personnel and the expenditure of funds; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all County Elected Officials and County Department Heads shall abide by all applicable policies set by the Board of Commissioners including but not limited to budgets, purchasing, travel, and per diems; as well as the Eaton County Personnel Policies, and that budgeted funds for these purposes are appropriated contingent upon compliance with all County policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Personnel Policy shall apply to all employees and elected officials who are not covered under a collective bargaining agreement or who function under a policy manual, which has been jointly approved by the County Board of Commissioners and an Elected Official who has co-employer status; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Controller shall be authorized to make year-end transfers of up to $40,000 between activities or funds or with such amounts that may be available in the Contingency of the General Fund, as may be necessary to ensure that departments do not end the 2025/2026 fiscal year in a deficit condition. Any such transfer will be reported to the Ways and Means Committee at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Roll call vote: Commissioners Arndt, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Whitacre, Mudry, Jones, Droscha, Hansen, Christensen, Holmes, Barber, Mott. Nays: Peek, Toomey. Motion carried. (On file)