



Macomb County Board of Commissioners

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District 10

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District 03

District 02 – Phil Kraft
District 08 – Antoinette Wallace

District 04 – Joe Sabatini
District 09 – Barbara Zinner

District 05 – Don VanSyckel
District 11 – Mai Xiong

District 06 – Joseph V. Romano
District 12 – Michelle Nard

District 07 – James M. Perna
District 13 – Sarah Lucido

DRAFT MINUTES

DATE/TIME: Thursday, March 9, 2023, 3:00 PM

COMMITTEE: Government Oversight Committee

CHAIR: Chair Harold L. Haugh, Vice Chair Michelle Nard

LOCATION: Administration Building, One South Main Street, 9th Floor, Mount Clemens, MI 48043

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson at 03:00 PM in the Administration Building, 1 South Main Street, 9th Floor, Mount Clemens, Michigan 48043.

Present: Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Absent: Joseph V. Romano, Mai Xiong, Barbara Zinner

Excused: None

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda dated Thursday, March 9, 2023. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Michelle Nard

Seconded by: James M. Perna

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

4. Approval of Minutes

a) dated February 2, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes dated February 2, 2023. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Don VanSyckel

Seconded by: Michelle Nard

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M.

Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace
 Nay - None
 Abstain - None

5. Public Participation (three minutes max per speaker, related only to issues on the agenda)

None

6. Appointment Interviews

a) Jury Commission

Circuit Court Bench recommendation with Board concur
 1 vacancy, partial term to expire May 31, 2026

Judge Dennis LeDuc (*will attend*) / Jean Cloud, Deputy Court Administrator

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners concur in the Circuit Court appointment of Judge Dennis LeDuc to the Jury Commission, partial term ending May 31, 2026. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Sylvia Grot

Seconded by: James M. Perna

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

b) Health Department Hearing Board

Department nomination with Board concur
 Two-year terms to expire December 31, 2024
 Citizen-at-Large: **Carolyn Thomas** (*will attend*)
 Alternate: **Dr. Donald J. Amboyer** (*will attend*)

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners concur in the department's recommendation to appoint Carolyn Thomas as the Citizen-at-Large and Dr. Donald J. Amboyer as the Alternate Citizen-at-Large to the Health Department Hearing Board, two-year terms expiring December 31, 2024. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michelle Nard

Seconded by: Sarah Lucido

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

c) Community Mental Health Board

Board Appointment

4 vacancies; 3-year terms from April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2026

Sandra Abissini *(will attend)*

JJ Buccellato* *(will attend)*

Nick Ciaramitaro* - reappointment *(unable to attend)*

Wayne Conner

Christopher Finn *(will attend)*

James V. Gammicchia *(will attend)*

Laura J. Hall *(will attend)*

Stacey Hickman-Jackson *(will attend)*

Andrea Johnson *(will attend)*

Pamela McMillion

Julia Mohan* *(will attend)*

Paul Oberski* *(withdrew)*

Selena Schmidt* - reappointment *(will attend)*

Karen Smith *(withdrew)*

Rodney Nathan Tolbert, Sr. *(will attend)*

Antoinette Wallace - reappointment *(will be present)*

Jimmy Sam Woodard

**at least one appointment must be a primary person served or family member*

Motion to recommend the the Board of Commissioners appoint four members from the list of candidates to the Community Mental Health Board for 3-year terms from April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2026. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Phil Kraft

Seconded by: Michelle Nard

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

d) Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG)

Executive appointment with Board concur

1 vacancy; 2-year term ending December 31, 2024

Don VanSyckel, Delegate *(will be present)*

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners concur in the Executive's appointment of Don VanSyckel to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG), 2-year term ending December 31, 2024. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michelle Nard

Seconded by: Antoinette Wallace

Vote Summary: (9 - 0 - 1)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M.

Perna, Joe Sabatini, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - Don VanSyckel

7. Department Recommendations

- a) Request for Outside Counsel: Prosecutor's Office - United States District Court Case No. 2:23-cv-10146, Joshua Van Laan v Macomb County, Peter Lucido and Donald Fresard / John Schapka, Corporation Counsel

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the use of independent legal counsel for the Prosecutor's Office for United States District Court Case No. 2:23-cv-10146, Joshua Van Laan v Macomb County, Peter Lucido and Donald Fresard. Funds are available in the General Liability Fund.

This action does not constitute the Commission's approval of a budget amendment and does not otherwise change or amend any other budget provision or requirement, including but not limited to the provisions and requirements of Ordinance 2022-08. Any budget amendment required for this contract/purchase/agreement must be sought separately. A copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michelle Nard

Seconded by: James M. Perna

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

Speakers

James M. Perna

Don VanSyckel

Joe Sabatini

8. Resolutions

- a) Resolution 2023-10073: A Resolution to Support Basing a Next-Generation Fighter Aircraft at Selfridge Air National Guard Base / Don Brown, Board Chair

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve Resolution 2023-10073: A Resolution to Support Basing a Next-Generation Fighter Aircraft at Selfridge Air National Guard Base. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Antoinette Wallace

Seconded by: Sarah Lucido

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

Speakers

Don Brown

Phil Kraft

- b) Resolution 2023-10085: A Resolution to Honor the Michigan Association of Counties on its 125th Anniversary / Antoinette Wallace, District 8 Commissioner

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve Resolution 2023-10085: A Resolution to Honor the Michigan Association of Counties. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michelle Nard

Seconded by: James M. Perna

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

- c) Resolution 2023-10086: A Resolution Supporting County Resources to Assist in School Safety Planning / Michelle Nard, District 12 Commissioner and Don VanSyckel, District 5 Commissioner

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve Resolution 2023-10086: A Resolution Supporting County Resources to Assist in School Safety Planning. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Don VanSyckel

Seconded by: Antoinette Wallace

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

9. Proclamations

- a) A Proclamation in Honor and Acknowledgement of Megan Doll's Photograph Being Selected for the Michigan Art Education Association's Top 100 and Governor's Traveling Show / Michelle Nard, District 12 Commissioner

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt a Proclamation in Honor and Acknowledgement of Megan Doll's Photograph Being Selected for the Michigan Art Education Association's Top 100 and Governor's Traveling Show. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michelle Nard

Seconded by: Sarah Lucido

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

Speakers

Michelle Nard

- b) A Proclamation Congratulating the Fitzgerald High School Girls Basketball Team for Winning the 2023 District Championship Title / Michelle Nard, District 12 Commissioner

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt a Proclamation Congratulating the Fitzgerald High School Girls Basketball Team for Winning the 2023 District Championship Title. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michelle Nard

Seconded by: Antoinette Wallace

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

Speakers

Michelle Nard

10. Public Participation (three minutes max per speaker)

Speakers

Jimmy Sam Woodard

11. Commissioner's Comments

Speakers

Harold L. Haugh

Michelle Nard

Phil Kraft

Don Brown

Don VanSyckel

James M. Perna

12. Closed Session

- a) Closed Session to Discuss Macomb Circuit Court Case No. 21-3482-NO / John Schapka, Corporation Counsel

Motion to enter into Closed Session. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Michelle Nard
 Seconded by: Don VanSyckel

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

In accordance with the motion, committee entered Closed Session at 4:13 p.m., with it concluding at 4:34 p.m.

13. Department Recommendations

- a) Settlement Agreement: Macomb Circuit Court Case No. 21-3482-NO / John Schapka, Corporation Counsel

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners concur with the recommendation of Corporation Counsel in the settlement of Macomb Circuit Court Case No. 21-3482-NO. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michelle Nard
 Seconded by: Sarah Lucido

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None

14. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the March 9, 2023 meeting at 04:36 PM. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Michelle Nard
 Seconded by: Don VanSyckel

Vote Summary: (10 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Don Brown, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, Michelle Nard, James M. Perna, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Antoinette Wallace

Nay - None

Abstain - None