



The Governing Voice for
700,000 Wayne County Residents

CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 10, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER- GLAAB

Supervisor Glaab called the meeting to order at 9:34 am.
Mayor Robert McCraight gave a brief introduction to the City of Romulus
Kroger's General Manager, John Kissek spoke about the new facility and the financial
and staffing growth.

2. ROLL CALL- BROSNAN

Mayor Brosnan called the roll:
Mr. David Norwood, alternate, Canton Charter Township;
Supervisor David Glaab, Huron Charter Township;
Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan, City of Livonia;
Ms. Barbara Moroski-Browne, alternate, City of Northville;
Mr. Jason Rhines, alternate, Northville Charter Township;
Supervisor Kurt Heise, Plymouth Charter Township;
Supervisor Pat McRae, Redford Charter Township;
Pro Tem Ms. Kim Dold, alternate, City of Garden City;
Mr. Tim Rush, alternate, Sumpter Township;
Mayor John Rhaesa, City of Wayne;
Mayor Bill Bazzi, Dearborn Heights;
Mayor Patrick Wimberly, City of Inkster;
Mayor Robert McCraight, City of Romulus;
Mayor Kerreen Conley, City of Belleville;
Fire Marshall Laura Ridenour, alternate, City of Dearborn;
Mayor Mike Londeau, City of Westland

CWW Board Member/voting alternate of record not present: City of Plymouth and Van
Buren Township.

Others present: Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib,
Representative Stephanie Young, and members of the audience.

3. INTRODUCTIONS- GLAAB

Supervisor Glaab asked board members and members of the audience to introduce
themselves.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA-GLAAB

Motion by Brosnan, supported by Rush to approved the agenda for February 10, 2023.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES- BROSINAN

Motion by Conley, supported by Bazzi to approve the meeting minutes for January 13, 2023.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT- HEISE

Motion by Brosnan, supported by Heise to approve the 1/31/2023 treasurer's reports.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

7. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

A. Legislative Update- Haynes

Ms. Haynes announced that this year CWW celebrates it's 45th anniversary. CWW staff is preparing to celebrate by hosting an evening reception in early June. We are working to secure a date at a local venue and anticipate the reception being held in place of the June board meeting.

Ms. Haynes also announced her resignation of her position as Assistant Director at CWW. Ms. Haynes will no longer be with CWW starting in March.

Water as a Human Right

Senate Bill 25 (Bayer, D-Beverly Hills) would declare water as a human right and require state agencies to employ all reasonable means to enforce that right.

From the bill: "All state departments and agencies shall revise, adopt, or establish policies, regulations, and grant criteria to further this section by establishing water affordability criteria as appropriate, to the extent that those actions do not affect eligibility for federal funds."

CWW is part of a coalition put together by the MML which is advocating for state funds to avoid residential water shut offs.

Budget Supplemental

Senate Bill 7 was a \$1.1 billion supplemental signed by Governor Whitmer in January. This bill included several items that may benefit your community.

- \$150 million to create an affordable housing tax credit gap financing program. This will help reduce the housing cost burden of residents and increasing the supply of and preserving existing affordable housing.
- \$100 million to Community Revitalization and Placemaking Grants.
- \$75 million for blight elimination.
- \$25 million to create a Water Shutoff Prevention Fund.

2023-2024 Budget Recommendation

On Wednesday, the Governor presented her budget recommendations to the joint House and Senate Appropriations Committee meeting.

The recommendations include:

- 10% increase in statutory revenue sharing for local governments
 - 5% on going
 - 5% on-time
- \$318 million for school safety programs
 - This would include grant programs for partnerships between schools, public safety, mental health professionals, and communities
- \$300 million for student mental health initiatives
- \$58 million to implement recommendations from the Racial Disparities Taskforce
 - Would include neighborhood health grants, mobile health units, and more.
- \$30 million to local health departments
- \$50 million to leverage the State Police Training Academy to serve as a criminal justice training hub
- \$36.6 million in NEW statutory revenue sharing dedicated specifically for public safety, including employee recruitment, retention, training, and equipment
- \$18 million to provide in-service training to licensed law enforcement officers
- \$10.8 million to establish the Office of Community Violence Intervention Services to partner with community-based organizations to reduce violent incidents
- \$72 million increase to the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission grants
- \$350 million to leverage federal infrastructure dollars
- \$200 million for Michigan's Bridge Bundling program to replace or rehabilitate bridges across the state
- \$100 million for the Community Downtown Economic Development Program to provide competitive grants for community development and placemaking efforts in downtowns

- \$226 million to remove and replace 40,000 lead service lines over the next 10 years
- \$200 million for the Michigan Regional Empowerment Program to support the growth, development, diversification, and resiliency of regional economies through a competitive grant process
- \$200 million deposit to the rainy day fund

Ms. Haynes also pointed out that there is no road budget in the above and expects this to be a topic of conversation before any budgets are finalized.

8. PRESENTATIONS

Andrew Kandrevas, Wayne County DPS Director accompanied by Steve Shay and Joe Thomasack. Together they spoke about what the DPS is working on and seeking to improve on with Wayne County roads, forestry, water, drains, landfills, and funding.

9. ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS

Congresswomen Debbie Dingell and Congresswomen Rashida Tlaib spoke on the possibility of claw backs on ARPA money.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bazzi spoke on an increase of flooding in homes off of Ford road.

Mayor Londeau highlighted DPS quick resolve on dangerous intersections in the Westland community.

Eddie Fakhoury from the office of The Wayne County Executive Warren C. Evans reminded us of the State of the County on March 21st at 7:00 p.m at Dearborn's Ford Community and Performing Art's Center.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bazzi, supported by Rush to adjourn the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

AYES: All. Motion carried.