



**Friday, April 12, 2024**

**Hosted by the City of Livonia**



The Governing Voice for  
700,000 Wayne County Residents

## CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE TENTATIVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Friday, April 12th, 2024

9:30 a.m.

This meeting will be hosted by The City of Livonia in the Kirksey Recreation Center: 15100 Hubbard, Livonia, MI 48154

<u>Item Description</u>		<u>Action Req</u>	<u>Presentation</u>
1. Call to Order			Mayor Turnbull
2. Roll Call			Supervisor Heise
3. Introductions			Mayor Turnbull
4. Adoption of Agenda	4/12/2024	Approval	Mayor Turnbull
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes	3/8/2024	Approval	Supervisor Heise
6. Treasurer's Report 2/29/2024		Approval	Supervisor Graham-Hudak
7. Presentations Growth Works <i>Nick Griswold, CEO</i>			
8. Directors' Reports			
A. Executive Directors' Report		Information	Ms. Sellek
B. Legislative Update		Information	Mr. Puckett
9. Elected Officials' Comments			Mayor Turnbull
10. Public Comment			Mayor Turnbull
11. Other Business			Mayor Turnbull
12. Adjournment			Mayor Turnbull

Presentations are limited to 10 minutes



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**CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 8, 2024**

**1. CALL TO ORDER- TURNBULL**

Mayor Turnbull called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.

Mayor Rhaesa welcomed the board and audience to the City of Wayne.

**2. ROLL CALL- HEISE**

Supervisor Heise called the roll:  
Supervisor Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, Canton Charter Township;  
Mayor Brian Turnbull, City of Northville;  
Mr. Jason Rhines, alternate, Northville Charter Township;  
Supervisor Kurt Heise, Plymouth Charter Township;  
Supervisor Pat McRae, Redford Charter Township;  
Mayor Pro Tem Ms. Kim Dold, alternate, City of Garden City;  
Deputy Supervisor Timothy Rush, alternate, Sumpter Township;  
Mayor Robert McCraight, City of Romulus;  
Deputy Fire Chief Laura Ridenour, alternate, City of Dearborn;  
Mr. Hussein Farhat, alternate, City of Dearborn Heights;  
Mayor John Rhaesa, City of Wayne;  
Mayor Byron Nolen, City of Inkster;  
Mr. Jason Smith, alternate, City of Belleville;  
Mayor Kevin Coleman, City of Westland;  
Mayor Suzi Deal, City of Plymouth;  
Supervisor David Glaab, Huron Township;  
Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan, City of Livonia;  
Deputy Supervisor Dan Selman, VanBuren Township.

CWW Board Member/voting alternate of record not present: None.

Others present: Representatives from Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib's office, and members of the audience.

### **3. INTRODUCTIONS- TURNBULL**

Mayor Turnbull asked board members and members of the audience to introduce themselves.

### **4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA-TURNBULL**

Motion by Glaab, supported by Heise to approve the agenda for March 8, 2024.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

### **5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES- HEISE**

Motion by McRae, supported by McCraight to approve the meeting minutes for February 9, 2024.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

### **6. TREASURES REPORT- GRAHAM-HUDAK**

Motion by Heise, supported by Brosnan to approve the Treasurers report for 1/31/24.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

### **7. DIRECTORS REPORT**

#### **A. Executive Director's Report- Sellek**

#### **GLWA**

Highland Park, again, missed its deadline to sign the final agreement between the City, GLWA and the state of Michigan. This is the fourth time a deadline has been missed.

On February 20, Highland Park City Council tabled its vote to approve or reject the tentative agreement between the parties. This lack of action violated the terms of the Term Sheet. GLWA is considering a variety of actions.

On Monday, March 4, Highland Park City Council took some type of action on the settlement, but it is unclear as to what was approved. GLWA and Highland Park have a tentatively scheduled mediation session for next week.

### **CDS Radio Project**

After the February 2024 CWW meeting, a survey was sent to all CWW public safety agencies to gauge the need for new public safety radios. Nearly all our police and fire agencies are at, or near, end of life for many of their radios. After discussions with CWW police and fire chiefs, CWW decided to submit a public safety radio project to Senator Peters' office for consideration for Congressionally Directed Spending.

The deadline is March 12 and we have been in the process of collecting all the necessary information from our agencies as well as letters of support from our communities and elected officials.

Based on the responses from our agencies, our region's cost for the needed public safety radios is an estimated \$16,000,000 for 29 of our departments (police, fire, dispatch).

Supporters of the request include:

Downriver Community Conference

Canton Public Safety

Dearborn Fire

Dearborn Heights Fire

Dearborn Police

Garden City Fire

Livonia Fire

Livonia Police

Garden City Police

City of Plymouth Police

Plymouth Township Fire

Northville Township Fire

Romulus Fire

Romulus Police

Sumpter Township Public Safety

Van Buren Township Public Safety

Van Buren Township Fire

City of Wayne Police

Western Wayne Mutual Aid

Westland Fire

Wayne County CEO Warren Evans

Representative Laurie Pohutsky

Representative Erin Byrnes

Representative Stephanie Young

Senator Rosemarie Bayer

Senator Darren Camilleri

Senator Dayna Polehanki

City of Dearborn

City of Inkster

City of Plymouth

City of Romulus

City of Westland

City of Dearborn Heights

Huron Township

Redford Township

*The CWW Board may wish to vote on supporting this Congressionally Directed Funding Request.*

Motion by Brosnan, supported by McRae to support CDS Radio project.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

### **2023 Cannabis Tax Revenue Payments**

Excerpt from Gongwer:

More than \$87 million in cannabis tax dollars will be distributed among 269 local governments.

99 cities, 30 villages, 69 townships and 71 counties will receive payments. Each eligible municipality and county will receive more than \$59,000 for every licensed retail store and microbusiness located within its jurisdiction.

Revenue was collected from 737 licensees among the state's cities, villages and townships during the 2022-23 fiscal year. In total, there was more than \$290.3 million available for distribution from the Marihuana Regulation Fund, with \$87 million going to locals.

Counties received \$43.5 million, cities received \$30.6 million, villages received \$3.4 million and townships received \$9.5 million.

*Attachment 8-A-1 shows the payment amounts to each municipality and county in the state.*

### **Rescue Recovery 2025 budget**

The Governor has included funding Rescue Recovery at \$1,000,000 in her recommended 2024-25 budget.

### **Next Meeting April 12**

The April 12 board meeting will be held in the City of Livonia.

## **B. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE- PUCKETT**

### **Federal**

#### **Federal Shutdown**

The U.S. House of Representatives approved a package of six spending bills on Wednesday. The legislation is now sent to the Senate, which expects to vote on them before Friday's deadline. Passing these six spending bills is only half of the appropriations process for fiscal year 2024. The remaining six government funding bills are due on March 22 and are considered to contain more contentious issues.

President Biden will also be giving his State of the Union address on Thursday evening.

### **State**

#### **Redistricting**

The Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission voted to adopt a Detroit remedy map for court approval days ahead of the March 1 deadline. The chosen map [Motown Sound FC E1](#), would make changes to House districts 1 through 14. That is beyond the districts found to have violated the U.S. Constitution but was expected to alter neighboring districts to make the map work. The new map would have no effect on competitive seats as it is redrawing solidly Democratic districts, thus not making an impact on partisan control of the House. The map will now be sent to the federal three-judge panel. The panel does not have to ratify the map, it could choose to go with a map that its special master would draw. The commission does not plan to reconvene until late March once the court has acted.

#### **Ballot Proposals**

Summary of February's primary election ballot proposals:

- Only one of the seven school bond proposals passed.
- All seven library milage increases and renewals passed.
- Two senior services millage renewals passed.
- The Michigan Township Association reported that 86% of the townships with millages were approved for new proposals or renewals.



## **Road Funding**

The County Road Association of Michigan (CRA) held a press conference to what it said is one of its biggest concerns: a nearly \$2.4 billion gap in annual funding between what is appropriated and what's actually needed to keep county roads in fair or good condition. The CRA presented a [County Road Investment Plan](#) based on 2023 data and conditions of nearly 90,000 road miles and over 5,800 bridges in all 83 counties.

In addition, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will be spending the remaining \$700 million of the \$3.5 billion the Whitmer administration borrowed in 2019 to pay for highway reconstruction projects after lawmakers refused to hike taxes.

In 2020, Governor Whitmer announced the Rebuilding Michigan program, which involved selling \$3.5 billion in bonds over a 5-year period to help fund or accelerate major construction projects including rebuilding I-275 in western Wayne County. The state also has received about \$7.3 billion from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed into law in 2021. But that money is set to run out in 2026. When that money runs out, the state will not only have to pay off the loans and interest (\$2.2 billion in interest and \$2.8 billion sold in bonds) but also face an estimated annual revenue shortfall of up to \$3.9 billion according to Public Sector Consultants.

Governor Whitmer did not include any new funding mechanism for roads in her budget proposal and there is no plan for now how to fund the state's long-term transportation needs.

## **Legislation**

- House Bill 4325 sponsored by Representative Scott (D) was signed into law on February 21, 2024 and is now Public Act 6'24. The bill amends Part 89 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to prescribe misdemeanor penalties for the unlawful dumping of litter, punishable by the following penal fines:
  - o For the first violation, if the amount of litter were three cubic feet or more but less than five cubic yards, up to \$2,500 and, for each subsequent violation following a conviction, an additional \$2,500 per violation.
  - o For a first violation, if the amount of litter were five cubic yards or more, up to \$5,000 and, for each subsequent violation following a conviction, an addition \$5,000 per violation.
  
- House Bill 4127 Tsernoglou (D) and HB 4128 Young (D) passed both chambers, however, the Senate made an amendment, so it was sent back to the House for concurrence. The legislation would prohibit an individual from possessing a firearm at or near a polling place, an early voting site, an absent voter ballot drop box, in a city or township clerk's office, in an absent voter counting place or a combined

absent voter counting place while absent voter ballots were being processed, or within 100 feet of any entrance to these sites for certain periods before an election, with some exceptions.

- House Bill 4012 sponsored by Representative Slagh (R) is being considered before the Senate. HB 4012 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to change procedures for setting certain speed limits. Currently, speed limits are set by an engineering and safety study and by the eighty-fifth percentile speed of free-flowing traffic and rounded up to the nearest multiple of five miles per hour. The bill would allow the speed limit to be rounded down to a multiple of five miles per hour. Current law does not allow the speed limit to be below the eighty-fifth percentile.
- House Bill 5028 sponsored by Representative Puri (D) is now being considered before the Senate. HB 5028 would prohibit a Homeowners Association (HOA) from requiring approval for or a member installing an energy-saving improvement or modification.
- House Bill 4708 sponsored by Representative Farhat (D) would amend the General Property Tax Act to exempt qualified charging stations from property taxes that are levied after December 31, 2023. MML and MTA are opposed to the bill.

Motion by Glaab, supported by Brosnan oppose House Bill 4708.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

- House Bill 5353 sponsored by Representative Fitzgerald (D) would create a new but similar act, the "Headlee Unfunded Mandates Prohibition Act." The new act would require the legislature to fund a new or increased activity or service provided by a local unit of government when required by state law, as required by the state constitution, and would implement a fiscal note process to determine the estimated costs to the local unit of government to fulfill a proposed state requirement. The bill would also require the legislature to annually appropriate and disburse an amount sufficient to pay each local government the necessary cost of each state requirement. This legislation would not be retroactive. MML and MTA support the bill.
- ***The Board asked for more information before considering taking a position.***

- House Bill 5438 sponsored by Representative Andrews (D) was recently introduced. This is the first bill in over a year regarding short-term rentals. This is a bill to provide registry and regulation of short-term rentals and hosting platforms. Below are some differences from previous legislation:
  - o This is not a preemption amendment to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act.
  - o Local units of government maintain authority to regulate short-term rentals.
  - o An opt-in statewide excise tax is created (6% of the short-term rental occupancy rate) and proceeds will be distributed to the local unit of government in which the short-term rental is located.

The bill is also tie-bared with other bills related to convention and visitor bureaus. MML and MTA support the bill as a stand-alone and breaking the tie-bar.

Motion by Brosnan, supported McCraight to support House Bill 5438.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

## **8. ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS**

Mr. Andrew Goddeeris, representative from Congresswoman Tlaib's office addressed the board to remind the CWW communities to start preparing for community projects for 2025. He also informed that the money will begin to be distributed from the Disasters Declaration.

Deputy Supervisor Tim Rush announced that the City of Sumpter recently signed on with SensCy and highly recommends other communities to partner with SensCy for cyber security.

## **9. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments were made by the public.

## **10. OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Heise, supported by McCraight to adjourn the CWW Board Meeting at 10:32 a.m.

AYES: All. Motion carried.



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**Treasurer's Report  
February 29, 2024**

Month to Date  
February 1 - February 29, 2024

Fiscal Year to Date  
October 1, 2023 - February 29, 2024

RECONCILIATION:

Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 603,468.70	\$ 921,731.52
Receipts	\$ 784,275.42	\$ 2,122,157.62
Expenses	\$ (26,673.81)	\$ (277,439.22)
Disbursements to PSAP's-Local	\$ -	\$ (823,596.13)
Disbursements to PSAP's-State	\$ -	\$ (136,105.18)
Disbursements to YAP's	\$ -	\$ (277,096.66)
Disbursements to Opioid Project	\$ (122,589.06)	\$ (291,170.70)
 Ending Cash Balance	 \$ 1,238,481.25 =====	 \$ 1,238,481.25 =====

		Owed to Communities	CWW Funds	Total Balance
SOURCE:				
CWW Account	\$ 59,761.12	\$ 107,136.01	\$ 166,897.13	
911 Local Account	\$ 625,387.56	\$ 177,014.89	\$ 802,402.45	
911 State Account		\$ 16,827.96	\$ 16,827.96	
Savings Account		\$ 252,353.71	\$ 252,353.71	
 Total	 February 29, 2024	 \$ 685,148.68	 \$ 553,332.57	 \$ 1,238,481.25



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**ITEM # 7-A**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT  
CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE  
FOR MEETING DATE: APRIL 12, 2024**

**ITEM:** CWW Update

**PRESENTER:** Jordyn Sellek, Executive Director

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**Out of Custody Warrants**

Many of our communities have been struggling with out of custody warrants not being acted upon in a timely manner. The issue was discussed with western Wayne police chiefs and the prosecutor's office. The prosecutor's office recently received a grant specifically for these warrants. They are also looking for retired prosecutors to come in and work the warrants.

Chiefs can send the warrant lists to Tony Guerriero and he will ensure that the office triage the most violent offenders.

**Wayne County Criminal Justice Center**

The new Wayne County Criminal Justice Center is complete. The Sheriff's office will start moving in inmates in June or July. Once inmates are settled, they will start moving in the court, prosecutor, and juvenile detention facility. The goal is to have everyone in by September.

## **Election Mail Safety/Narcan**

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) has released Election Mail Handling Procedures to Protect Against Hazardous Materials.

[Election Mail Handling Procedures to Protect Against Hazardous Materials \(cisa.gov\)](https://www.cisa.gov/election-mail-handling-procedures-to-protect-against-hazardous-materials)

**Fentanyl has been identified as a potential hazard in targeted attacks against election offices.** CISA recommends having a minimum of two doses of Narcan on hand per person handling mail.

**If your clerk's office needs Narcan training, please have them contact Growth Works. Growth Works will come out to your clerk's office and train staff on the use of Narcan at no cost. They can also help supply (at no cost) the office with Narcan if needed.**

## **Q2 2024 Rescue Recovery Update**

The Growth Work's Rescue Recovery program was offered to 154 clients from January 2024 - March 2024. **Of the 154 clients, 128 clients requested Peer Support Services.**

**Of the 128 participants who had initial/first time engagement with PRC services, 107(84%) followed through with some level of continued engagement,** such as entering treatment and/or maintaining some kind of ongoing PRC contact.

**During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter reporting period the PRCs have had approximately 3,559 contacts with current program participants, including phone, face-to-face and facetime/zoom meetings. Coaches and clients have a minimum of 1x/ week interaction with clients and have averaged 7.8 contacts/ month per client.** Clients remain engaged for an average of three months, although some continue in services for much longer.

Potential participants were offered Peer Recovery Coach (PRC) services through Trinity Health- Livonia Hospital, during both routine and emergency visits. A smaller number of clients were engaged in other community settings including referrals from treatment courts and public safety departments.

The Rescue Recovery Program is continuing to feel the effects of the Chemical Dependency Unit closure. As a result, there continues to be a gap in specialized care within the hospital, affecting the number of referrals made to the Rescue Recovery Program. Additionally, the awareness in the community about the discontinuation of the Chemical Dependency Unit has had a direct impact on the overall number of patients visiting the hospital. Individuals seeking assistance for substance abuse issues are now choosing alternative facilities or refraining from seeking treatment. This has ultimately affected the hospital's patient admissions, and impacted referrals to the Rescue Recovery Program causing a reduction in the number of overall clients being served by the program this fiscal year.

To increase access to the Rescue Recovery Program our partnership with the Bridge Clinic within IHA – Livonia at Trinity Health- Livonia Hospital has been in effect for a full quarter. On site Addictionologists/Physicians have been referring their patients to the coaching program for additional community recovery support with patients that they have identified needing these resources.

### **Congressionally Directed Spending**

The CWW public safety radio project was submitted through Senator Peters' office for Congressionally Directed Spending. The final request was for 2,033 radios for \$15,421,700. We submitted the request for 15 police and 14 fire agencies within CWW.

*Van Buren Township Police: 20 radios for \$88,000*  
*Garden City Police: 37 radios for \$296,000*  
*Redford Township Fire: 29 radios for \$174,000*  
*Van Buren Township Fire: 38 radios for \$160,000*  
*Romulus Fire: 35 radios at \$187,700*  
*Garden City Fire: 15 radios at \$95,000*  
*Northville Police: 13 radios at \$89,000*  
*Plymouth Township Police: 35 radios at \$290,000*  
*Sumpter Township Police and Fire: 31 radios at \$95,000*  
*Dearborn Fire: 170 radios at \$2,000,000*  
*Livonia Fire: 100 radios at \$1,600,000*  
*City of Wayne Police: 44 radios at \$225,000*  
*Dearborn Police: 400 radios at \$2,500,000*  
*Belleville Police: 12 radios at \$65,000*  
*Northville Township Police: 65 radios at \$370,000*  
*Northville Township Fire: 65 radios at \$401,500*  
*Canton Township Police and Fire: 295 radios at \$1,800,000*  
*Redford Township Police and Fire: 117 radios at \$632,000*  
*Inkster Police: 72 radios at \$488,000*  
*Dearborn Heights Fire: 95 radios at \$850,000*  
*Westland Police and Fire: 152 radios at \$1,200,000*  
*City of Wayne Fire: 8 radios at \$92,000*  
*Plymouth Police: 15 radios at: \$48,500*  
*Dearborn Heights Police: 125 radios at \$1,200,000*  
*Plymouth Township Fire: 45 radios at \$450,000*  
*Conference of Western Wayne Fund Administration: \$25,000*

### **May CWW Meeting**

The May 10, 2024 board meeting will be hosted by Plymouth Township.