



CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 8, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER- TURNBULL

Mayor Turnbull called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

Mayor Bazzi welcomed the board and the audience to The City of Dearborn Heights and CEO of Hype Athletics, Ali Sayed, welcomed all to the facility.

2. ROLL CALL- HEISE

Supervisor Heise called the roll:
Deputy Supervisor Joseph Hawver, alternate, Canton Charter Township;
Mayor Brian Turnbull, City of Northville;
Supervisor Mark Abbo, Northville Charter Township;
Deputy Supervisor Timothy Rush, alternate, Sumpter Township;
Mayor McCraight, City of Romulus;
Fire Chief Joseph Murray, alternate, City of Dearborn;
Mayor Bill Bazzi, City of Dearborn Heights;
Mayor John Rhaesa, City of Wayne;
Mayor Ken Voigt, City of Belleville;
Supervisor David Glaab, Huron Township;
Mr. Robb Drzewicki, alternate, City of Livonia;
Supervisor Pat McRae, Redford Township;
Mayor Byron Nolen, City of Inkster;
Supervisor Kurt Heise, Plymouth Township;
Ms. Kim Dold, alternate, City of Garden City;
Deputy Mayor James Godbout, alternate, City of Westland;
Supervisor Kevin McNamara, VanBuren Township.

CWW Board Member/voting alternate of record not present: The City of Plymouth.

Others present: Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib, 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 November 8, 2024.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES- HEISE

Motion by Rush, supported by Heise to approve the meeting minutes for September 13, 2024.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

6. TREASURES REPORT- HEISE

Motion by Graham-Hudak, supported by Glaab to approve the Treasurers report for 8/31/24, and 9/30/2024.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

7. DIRECTORS REPORT

A. Executive Director's Report- Sellek

2024-2025 Nominating Committee—Action Item

Per the CWW Nominating Committee policy, below are the members offered for consideration for the 2024-2025 Nominating Committee:

1. Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan (Current Vice-Chair)
2. Mayor Brian Turnbull (2025 Chair Emeritus)
3. Supervisor Mark Abbo (Nominated by Current Chair)

The CWW Nominating Committee will present its recommendation for the 2025 Executive Committee at the December board meeting. The recommendation will be voted on at the January 2025 meeting.

Motion by Bazzi, supported by Graham-Hudak to accept the new members of the 2025 CWW Executive Committee .

AYES: All. Motion carried.

2025 Executive Committee

The CWW Nominating Committee will recommend the 2025 Executive Committee at the December board meeting. Based on the adopted Executive Committee nominating policy, there

will be TWO open seats on the 2025 CWW Executive Committee. **If you are interested in serving on the Executive Committee, please contact Ms. Sellek before December 1, 2024.**

Please note: to be eligible to serve on the Executive Committee, the member must be the mayor or supervisor of the CWW community. Barring changes due to elections or retirements, a five-year commitment is asked of the executive committee members, serving in each of the 5 executive committee positions.

Earned Sick Time Act

Along with the minimum wage changes, many changes regarding earned sick time are also set to take effect on February 21, 2025.

The public safety/emergency response communities are very concerned with many of these changes, primarily the ability for an employee not to call or show up for up to 3 days without recourse.

Michigan Communication Directors Association (MCDA, 911), Michigan Chiefs of Police, Michigan Sheriffs' Association, Michigan Association of Ambulatory Services, and the Michigan Fire Chiefs have partnered on a letter to the legislature and governor asking for emergency response agencies, local corrections, and their employees to be removed from the requirements of the new Earned Sick Time Act.

The letter for your information is attachment 7-A-1

New Schoolcraft CPAT Contract

CWW has entered into an updated CPAT (Candidate Physical Abilities Test) with Schoolcraft College. The changes center around testing fees, which have remained unchanged for 8 years.

New 2025 fees:

CPAT: \$225

Written Exam: \$80

One-Time Registration: \$25

Total: \$330

Fees from 2016-2024:

CPAT: \$170

Written Exam: \$65

One-Time Registration: \$25

Total: \$260

The new fees cover the increased costs on Schoolcraft's end to administer the testing. CWW's portion of received fees remains unchanged (\$15 per registration fee and \$5 per written exam retake).

As always, CPAT is open to all CWW communities.

Growth Works Update

Growth Works continues to collaborate with Wayne County and 3rd Circuit Court officials to implement juvenile justice reform. In October, senior agency leaders participated in a mapping exercise facilitated by Wayne State University to identify all county-wide services supporting youth clients and to uncover gaps in those services.

As of November 4, 2024, there are 108 youths housed in the juvenile detention facility, with only three originating from western Wayne County. Growth Works staff work tirelessly to develop individualized plans for each client, aiming to reduce their stay lengths and find permanent solutions and treatment programs.

Not-In-Custody Warrant Update

Prior to our last CWW meeting, Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy reported to the CWW members on the progress of the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office (WCPO) FY24 Not in Custody Warrant Backlog Project through September 1, 2024. She reported that, from July 8, 2024, through September 1, 2024, there were almost 1280 total cases disposed of. The term "disposed of" means either a charging decision or denial was made.

Prosecutor Worthy is pleased to report that, from July 8, 2024, through September 29, 2024 (Phase One of the NIC Warrant Backlog Project), there were a total of 2353 backlogged cases disposed of. The totals by unit are as follows: General Warrants/Screening, 1030 cases, DV (Domestic Violence), 381 cases, SAT/Child Abuse (Sexual Assault Team/Child Abuse), 111 cases, SVU (Special Victims Unit), 492 cases, Homicide 147 cases, and Juvenile, 192 cases. Please note that this FY24 NIC Warrant Backlog Project was made possible by a grant that Prosecutor Worthy was able to obtain from the State of Michigan. Phase Two of the FY24 WCPO Not in Custody Warrant Backlog Project is expected to begin sometime this month.

Prosecutor Worthy thanks the CWW Executive Director, all CWW member municipalities, and their police departments for their patience while the WCPO continues progressing significantly on the not-in-custody warrant backlog.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Tony Guerriero.

Michigan Human Society Committee Update

The City of Westland released a RFP on behalf of Westland, Livonia, Dearborn Heights and Redford Township animal services. Bids are due by November 13, 2024.

Thank you to the City of Westland for their work on this important endeavor.

Final 2025 CWW Meeting Dates

January 10-City of Inkster

February 14- City of Romulus (**CWW/DCC annual mixer starts at 8:30 am**)

March 14-Canton Township

April 11-City of Livonia

May 9-City of Dearborn

June 13-Sumpter Township

September 12-City of Garden City

November 14-City of Wayne

December 12-Northville Township/City of Northville

WWBLB

Thank you to those who attended this year's Western Wayne Leadership Banquet. **With over 450 registered attendees, it was quite a success.**

The 2025 banquet is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at The Henry Hotel again. More details will follow.

December Meeting

The next and final 2024 CWW meeting is on December 13, 2024, in Van Buren Township.

Farewell to Board Members Heise and Glaab

Due to election changes, Supervisor Heise and Glaab's last CWW meeting is today. We thank them for their service to CWW and their communities. Both have served on the CWW Executive Committee and many standing committees.

B. Legislative Update- Puckett

Federal

Federal Election Update

Donald Trump won the presidency and Republicans took back the U.S. Senate. The U.S. House still up for grabs.

Continuing Appropriations

Congress passed a bipartisan Continuing Resolution to extend federal spending and avert a government shutdown through December 20, 2024.

State

State Election Update

The Republicans took back the Michigan House of Representatives flipping 4 Democrat

seats ending the Democrat trifecta. Next year the Republicans will hold a 58-52 majority in the House. Representative Matt Hall was elected Speaker of the House and Representative Ranjeev Puri was elected Minority Leader. This could make for an interesting lame duck with about 12 session days left.

Polluter Pay Legislation

Two packages of bills in each chamber referred to as the “Polluter Pay” bills were introduced last October. The intent is to get companies to clean up their sites and provide transparency. Contamination cleanup has been a long debate. In 1990, Michigan passed the most stringent cleanup laws in the nation. Concern over lack of investment in brownfields led to the Michigan Legislature passing a new law in 1995 to lessen requirements for those found responsible for contamination, tying cleanup to land’s intended use and proving who cause the contamination before they can force anyone to fix it.

It is possible these bills will move during lame duck. Some of the concerns include:

- The current law already requires companies to clean up contamination if they’re responsible, but this legislation goes further by requiring cleanup be done to what is “technically feasible” and up to residential use.
- This legislation likely won’t fix the current 20,000 plus contaminated sites in the state as most are orphan sites caused decades ago when protective laws weren’t in place. Also, many of the industries responsible for the contamination are either gone or restructured.
- This legislation will increase time, reporting, and investigation regarding Baseline Environmental Assessments (BEAs) that will likely make it more difficult for financing.
- Ultimately, the additional risk could yield the same results as the 1990’s law resulting in developers choosing greenfields or other states.
- Environmental groups are supportive of the legislation while business and financial groups are opposed. DCC recently voted to oppose the legislation.

Motion by Rush, supported by Glaab to oppose the Polluter Pay Legislation.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

Senate Bill 1052 – Toxic Waste

Senator Camilleri introduced Senate Bill 1052, which is the latest bill in response to the radioactive waste from New York to a landfill in Van Buren Township. SB 1052 would not be a full ban but would add the following additional requirements.

- A five-year moratorium would be enacted on the building or expansion of treatment and storage facilities that handle hazardous waste, as well as a permanent ban on new hazardous and radioactive waste injection wells.
- The Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy would be tasked with

developing a comprehensive plan for hazardous and radioactive waste storage during the proposed moratorium. A statewide capacity limit on such waste would also be put in place.

- New hazardous waste facilities would be restricted from densely populated areas or from being placed within 100 miles of an existing facility.

Financial assurance requirements for facilities would be put in place, with the intent to reduce the potential for taxpayers to have to pay for environmental cleanups.

Senate Bill 870

Senate Bill 870, introduced by Senator McCann would allow individuals with a disability to participate remotely in public hearings. This legislation stems from an opinion issued by Attorney General Dana Nessel that stated that the Americans with Disabilities Act and Rehabilitation Act requiring state and local boards and commissions to provide reasonable accommodations could include a virtual participation option to eligible persons. SB 870 is currently on before the full Senate.

Minimum Wage

Michigan will see two minimum wage increases next year after the recent Supreme Court ruling. minimum wage is currently \$10.33 and minimum tipped wage is \$3.93. Below are the scheduled increases with the tipped minimum wage starting to be phased out next

Date	Minimum Wage	Tipped Wage
January 1, 2025	\$10.56	\$4.01
February 21, 2025	\$12.48	\$5.99
February 21, 2028	\$14.97	\$11.98

year and fully phased out by February 21, 2030. In 2030, the increase will be adjusted by the rate of inflation.

8. PRESENTATIONS

Carol Zungia, CEO of Hegira Health gave a company update and provided the board with programs coming to their communities.

9. ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS

Larissa Richardson gave an update from Congresswoman Tlaib's office on the budget which will be in session next week and the continued work on community funding.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments were made by the public.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Godbout, supported by Rhaesa to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 a.m.

AYES: all. Motion carried