

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING, January 4, 2016
COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS, 304 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk, Elizabeth Hundley, at 7:30 p.m.

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by the Clerk indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

Present: Kate Lawrence (1), William J. Green (2), David Domas (3), Ronald VanHouten (4), Donald S. Parker (5), Steven Williams (6), Carol Griffith (7), Dennis Dolan (8), Gary Childs (9).

Absent: None.

Also present: Matt Nordfjord (Counsel), Dianne McCormick (Health), Sally Reynolds (Register of Deeds), Kevin Wilkinson (EMS), Jeff Boyd (EMS), Richard Malewicz (IT), Ken Hinton (Administrator), Cindy Catanach (Finance), Elizabeth Hundley (Clerk), Debbie Warden (Deputy Clerk).

Correspondence. None.

Call to the Public. No response.

Minutes. It was moved by Commissioner Griffith to approve the minutes of the re-scheduled meeting of December 30, 2015, as printed. Seconded by Commissioner Lawrence. 9 yes; 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

Tabled Items. None.

Agenda. It was moved by Commissioner Dolan to approve the agenda, as printed. Seconded by Commissioner Williams. 9 yes; 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

Reports. None.

Resolution for Consideration.

Resolution 2016-01-001- ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR FOR 2016.

Nominations:

1. Commissioner Williams nominated Commissioner Parker for Chairperson of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2016. Commissioner Williams spoke on behalf of Commissioner Parker pointing out his accomplishments and his experience as Chair of the Finance Committee. Commissioner Domas seconded the nomination of Commissioner Parker and spoke in support.
2. Commissioner VanHouten nominated Commissioner Lawrence for Chairperson of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2016. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Dolan.

Motion for ballot vote:

At the conclusion of the nominations, motion by Commissioner Childs for a ballot vote for the election of Board Chairperson. Seconded by Commissioner Griffith. Commissioner Parker objected to the use of a ballot vote. Roll Call on the motion to vote by ballot. Lawrence, yes; Green, yes; Domas, no; VanHouten; yes; Parker, no; Williams, no; Griffith, yes; Dolan, yes; Childs, yes. 6 yes; 3 no. MOTION CARRIED.

The deputy clerk passed out ballots, Commissioners voted by ballot, the deputy clerk collected the ballots and tallied the votes. The Clerk announced the vote totals: 6 votes for Commissioner Lawrence; 3 votes for Commissioner Parker. COMMISSIONER LAWRENCE ELECTED CHAIRPERSON OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 2016.

Resolution No. 2016-01-002 – ELECTION OF BOARD VICE CHAIR FOR 2016.

Chairperson Lawrence asked for nominations for the Vice-chair for 2016.

Nominations:

1. Commissioner Parker nominated Commissioner Williams for Vice-chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2016 and spoke in support. Commissioner Domas seconded the nomination for Commissioner Williams.
2. Commissioner Dolan nominated Commissioner Griffith for Vice-chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners for 2016. Seconded by Commissioner VanHouten.

Roll Call for Commissioner Williams as Vice-chair. Lawrence, no; Green, no; Domas, yes; VanHouten, no; Parker, yes; Williams, yes; Griffith, no; Dolan, no; Childs, yes. 4 yes; 5 no.

Roll Call for Commissioner Griffith as Vice-chair. Lawrence, yes; Green, yes; Domas, no; VanHouten, yes; Parker, no; Williams, yes; Griffith, yes; Dolan, yes; Childs, yes. 7 yes; 2 no. COMMISSIONER GRIFFITH ELECTED VICE-CHAIR FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 2016.

Resolution No. 2016-01-003, Resolution Adopting Rules of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners and to Establish Meeting Dates for 2016-Board of Commissioners. Motion to approve the resolution by Vice-chair Griffith . Seconded by Commissioner Dolan. Commissioner Williams asked for discussion regarding the meeting calendar and the County Administrator explained the revised calendar. Motion to amend the resolution by Commissioner Williams to delete the board meeting on February 29, 2016 and re-schedule the board meetings in March to March 7, 2016 and March 21, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Childs. 9 yes; 0 no. MOTION TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION CARRIED.

Chairperson Lawrence called for a vote on Resolution No. 2016-01-003 as amended. 9 yes; 0 no. MOTION CARRIED

Call to the Public. No response.

Chairperson Lawrence asked that all committee assignments remain the same as the previous year, until new nominations are made.

Commissioner Domas asked the County Attorney questions regarding the ballot vote for Chairperson.

Adjournment. It was moved by Commissioner Griffith that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Commissioner Domas. 9 yes; 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Elizabeth Hundley
County Clerk