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**SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MAY 20, 2025 SESSION**

The **May Session** of the Board of Commissioners of Saginaw County, Michigan convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at the Saginaw County Courthouse, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602 with the Honorable Jack B. Tany in the Chair.

PRESENT: Christopher S. Boyd, Lisa R. Coney, Jack B. Tany, Denny M. Harris, John L. Kaczynski, Gerald D. Little, Mark S. Piotrowski, Tracey L. Slodowski, Richard A. Spitzer, and Michael A. Webster - **10**

ABSENT: Sheldon Matthews - **1**

TOTAL: - **11**

OTHERS: Mary Catherine Hannah, Dave Gilbert, Jessica Sargent, Patricia Johnson, Darcie Totten, Katharine Tessin, Nicole Lee, Brandell Adams, Dennis Borchard, William Dominguez, Jaime Ceja, Melissa Gutzwiller, Lauri Brown, Andrew Ferguson, Brian Keenan-Lechel, Alethea Taylor, Torrie Lee, Eddie Billings, Heather Hart, Undersheriff Gomez, Christian Salazar, Alexander Webb, Tameicia Davis-Reeves, Suzy Koepplinger, Renee Sharkey, Catherine Hicks, and others

🏴 Vice-Chair Little gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the April 15, 2025 Regular Board Session were approved.

AUDIENCES

- ❖ Undersheriff Gomez introduced recent police academy graduates: Tameicia Davis-Reeves, Christian Salazar, and Alexander Webb.
- ❖ Commissioner Coney presented Andrew Ferguson, Public Relations Specialist, and Lauri Brown, Administrative Assistant, from Community Mental Health Authority and individuals from Bayside Lodge Clubhouse, with a Proclamation recognizing May as Mental Health Month.
- ❖ Eddie Billings addressed the Board concerning his belief that he was improperly terminated from the Buena Vista Charter Township Board of Trustees and asked for guidance on where to direct his complaints.
- ❖ William Dominguez shared his concerns about due process rights for those being deported and submitted a proposed resolution regarding same.

INITIATORY MOTIONS

None

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- ❖ Certificates of Recognition to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Eta Upsilon Omega Chapter for its “Hats Off to Mom” Scholarship Program honoring Thelma Ragland Williams as Mother of the Year, Crystal Bryson as Soror of the Year, and Nicole NeShone Liggins as Female Entrepreneur of the Year.
- ❖ Certificate of Recognition to Russ Taylor upon his retirement after 22+ years of service as the Thomas Township Supervisor.
- ❖ Certificate of Recognition to Michael Baldwin, Senior at Saginaw United High School and National/State Wrestling Champion.
- ❖ Certificate of Recognition to Pat Charette upon her retirement after 20+ years in the 70th District Court Civil Division.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Approved updated and amended Parks & Recreation Rules, including addition of language opting in to allow class 1 – 3 electronic bicycles
- Approved Materials Management Plan Work Program submitted by Environmental Health
- Approved \$127,111.94 in performance-based funding pursuant to the Fourth Amendment of the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Inc. Services Agreement
- Approved vendor transactions for April 2025 in the amount of \$14,911,688.40.
- Approved to use agency fund balance and issuance of a temporary PCN for the Nutrition Program Manager position for onboarding/training at an approximate cost of \$22,611
- Approved to allocate up to \$19,000 from the Public Improvement Fund for the purchase of updated networking infrastructure equipment needed to support daily operations of the Marie-Davis Building
- Approved to modify the defined contribution retirement plan employer/employee match for non-union employees and elected officials
- Approved Memorandum of Understanding between County of Saginaw and UAW Local 455 Unit 48 (Managers) for two employees who were former members of the Teamsters Union to receive the discretionary bonus
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement between County of Saginaw and Teamsters – Nurses Unit for the period October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2027
- Approved a Collective Bargaining Agreement between County of Saginaw and Teamsters – General Unit for the period October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2027

RESOLUTIONS

- ❖ **Approved Res. 2025 – 4** RESOLUTION RE: MARSH CREEK #2 DRAIN BONDS, SERIES 2025

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Tany made the following appointments:

- ✓ **LIBRARY BOARD**
Jeanine Collison, with a term to expire May 31, 2030
- ✓ **MICHIGAN WORKS! WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD**
Terms to expire June 30, 2027
Raquel Ledesma (Private Sector)
Cheryl Krieger (Private Sector)
Dr. Marcia Mastracci Ditmyer, PhD., M.B.A., M.S.

ELECTIONS

- ✓ **Mid-State Health Network**
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER OVERSIGHT POLICY BOARD
Christina Harrington M.P.H., Health Officer/Director, with a term to expire August 31, 2028
- ✓ **LAND BANK AUTHORITY**
Alethea Nichols-Taylor to fill the vacancy of Buena Vista resident, with a term to expire December 31, 2027

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Chairman Tany announced that the City of Saginaw Council meetings will be held at the Andersen Enrichment Center for approximately 6 months due to construction at City Hall.
- ❖ Chairman Tany announced how important it is to him that commissioners be present in the community and acknowledged the following:
 - Commissioners Webster, Coney and Boyd attended the Workers Memorial Day event at the Saginaw Art Museum
 - Commissioners Webster, Coney, Piotrowski, Harris, Kaczynski and Slodowski attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Animal Care and Control surgical center, stating that Commissioner Slodowski and the employees did a tremendous job and there was great media coverage
 - Commissioner Piotrowski attended the Legal Self-Help Center ribbon cutting
 - Commissioner Webster attended the press conference for the Saginaw County Sports Hall of Fame
 - Vice-Chair Little and Commissioner Webster attended the Commission on Aging Foster Grandparent Recognition and awards ceremony
 - Commissioners Slodowski and Piotrowski attended the Retirement Celebration of Thomas Township Manager Russ Taylor
 - Administrator Hannah attended the Potter Street Station Fundraiser at the Saginaw Club with her family
 - Administrator Hannah attended the Commission on Aging Volunteer Banquet at Crooked Creek
 - Commissioner Boyd attended the 100 Club of Saginaw County's annual banquet, along with Prosecutor John McColgan, Chief Assistant Prosecutor Blair Stevenson, and Judges McGraw and Fichtner
 - Vice-Chair Little, Chief Assistant Prosecutor Blair Stevenson, and Chair Tany attended the groundbreaking for the Bishop Marvin C. Pryor Impact Center on South 9th Street
- ❖ Chair Tany congratulated the other half of our legal team, Bill Smith, who shot a HOLE-IN-ONE at The Sawmill golf course. And that today, of course, he is golfing.

COMMISSIONER AUDIENCES

- ❖ Commissioner Webster acknowledged Chairman Tany's presence in the community, as he pointed out that Chairman Tany also attended all of the events listed above.
- ❖ Commissioner Kaczynski announced events over Memorial Day Weekend, including the Frankenmuth Dog Bowl at the River Place Shops May 24 – 25, 2025 along with Balloons Over Bavarian Inn from May 23 – 26, 2025. Visit [Frankenmuth.org/events/](https://www.Frankenmuth.org/events/) for more information.
- ❖ Commissioner Boyd thanked Administrator Hannah for bringing the Alpena climate to Saginaw. He also spoke to Mr. Dominguez who appeared during Audiences, stating that ICE is a federal entity and his concerns should be addressed as a court matter that cannot be solved by the Board of Commissioners as the Board is a legislative entity. Commissioner Boyd also announced that this day is Cher's birthday, she turned 79 years old.
- ❖ Commissioner Coney announced Monday is Memorial Day and a good time to reflect and remember those who fought and lost their lives serving our country. She invited everyone to the Memorial Day Parade in Saginaw beginning at 11:00 a.m. from Janes Avenue, traveling along South Washington Avenue and ending at Veterans Memorial Plaza at Hoyt Park, 1651 S. Washington Avenue.
- ❖ At the direction of the Chair, Administrator Hannah announced that Walker Consultants will be on site next week regarding the parking and wayfinding study. Feedback sessions are on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, in the Board Room at 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JACK B. TANY
CHAIRMAN

VANESSA GUERRA
COUNTY CLERK

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