

**Ingham County Board of Commissioners  
Democratic Caucus Agenda  
6:00 pm, February 11, 2014  
Caucus Room, Courthouse, Mason**

**Appointments**

<b>Board / Commission</b>	<b>Appointee</b>	<b>Eligible/Requests Reappt.</b>	<b>Expire</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Appointed by</b>
Community Corrections Advisory Board	1 Business Representative vacancy				BOC/ L&C
Community Health Center Board	4 vacancies			James Bell, III <i>ic</i> Hollis A.B. Hamel <i>ic</i> Rex Pierce <i>ic</i>	BOC/HS resolution
Equal Opportunity Committee	1 vacancy			Heather Yevseyev <i>i</i> Tyler Rulloch <i>i</i> Florensio Hernandez <i>i</i> Mark Eagle <i>i</i>	BOC/CS
Historical Commission	1 vacancy			Bonnie Gurzenda <i>i</i> Perry Comstock <i>i</i> Sandy Petty	BOC/ Board Chair
Ingham County Family Center Advisory Board	Community representative vacancy			Mae Tanner	BOC/ L&C
Potter Park Zoo Board	1 vacancy			Monica List <i>i</i> Tyler Rulloch <i>i</i>	BOC/CS
Senior Citizens Advisory Board	3 vacancies			Jane Wallin <i>i</i> Susann Baker <i>i</i>	BOC/ Board Chair
Women's Commission	3 vacancies			Thuy Bui Dichondra Johnson Katie Van Schoick	BOC/CS
Youth Commission	Up to 14 Vacancies			Eriq Rivera Tajanae Burtley Ja"QaySha Benson Alex Champlin Abdullahi Gabayre Ashley Dyer	BOC/CS
<b>Upcoming Vacancies</b>					
Capital Area District Library Board	Sally Trout ineligible Deb Bloomquist ineligible		4/15/14 4/15/14		BOC/HS
Veterans Affairs Committee	Norvel Harris (Korea) Ineligible		5/8/14		BOC/HS

*i – interviewed c- committee recommended*

1. Approval of the Minutes
2. Caucus Treasurer Report: (Comm. Hope)
3. Liaison Committee Report

4. Commissioner Concerns
5. Other Issues:
6. Items/Amendments for Tonight's Board Meeting

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Commissioners Present: Anthony, Holman, McGrain, Tsernoglou, Celentino, Hope, Nolan, Bahar-Cook, Koenig, Tennis, Maiville and Schafer.

Commissioners Absent: None.

Others Present: Clerk Barb Byrum, Chief Judge Thomas P. Boyd, Becky Bennett, Tim Dolehanty, Jared Cypher, Angela Wittrock, John Neilsen, Ralph Monsma, Riley Thyfault and others.

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Anthony at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of the Democratic Caucus Minutes:

MOVED BY COMM. NOLAN, SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRENSHAW, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 10, 2013 DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS MEETING.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner Hope presented a print out of the Treasurer's Report.

Commissioner Hope reported that there is an approximate balance of \$1,000 in the account.

Commissioner Hope also reminded the Caucus that the dues of \$75 each is due at their convenience.

MOVED BY COMM. CRENSHAW, SUPPORTED BY COMM. TSERNOGLOU, TO APPROVE THE DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS TREASURER'S REPORT DATED JANUARY 28, 2014.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Appointments:

Chairperson Anthony stated that there are currently four vacancies on the Community Health Center Board and that the Human Services Committee will be performing the interviews for those at a future meeting.

Chairperson Anthony stated that there is currently one vacancy on the Equal Opportunity Committee and that the County Services Committee will be performing the interviews for those at a future meeting.

Chairperson Anthony announced that there are two people interested in being reappointed to the Farmland Preservation Board.

MOVED BY COMM. CRENSHAW, SUPPORTED BY COMM. HOPE, TO WAIVE THE INELIGIBILITY DUE TO TERM LIMITS AND REAPPOINT PAUL KINDLE TO THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED BY COMM. CRENSHAW, SUPPORTED BY COMM. NOLAN, TO REAPPOINT KIRK HEINZE TO THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairperson Anthony stated that there is one vacancy on the Potter Park Zoo Board that they can take action at during the meeting.

MOVED BY COMM. CRENSHAW, SUPPORTED BY COMM. NOLAN, TO APPOINT KYLE BINKLEY TO THE POTTER PARK ZOO BOARD.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairperson Anthony also advised the Caucus that the Human Services Committee will be holding interviews for the Senior Citizens Advisory Board vacancies.

There was then a brief discussion regarding the upcoming vacancy on the Animal Control Advisory Committee.

MOVED BY COMM. TENNIS, SUPPORTED BY COMM. TSEKROGLOU, TO APPOINT LORNA ELLIOTT TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Commissioner Tennis then spoke about the vacancies on the Community Health Center Board and the unique situation with one of the applicants. He stated that Mr. Rex Pierce has applied to serve on the board, however, he resides just over the border into Jackson County. Commissioner Tennis said that Mr. Pierce has an expertise in the books and finance area and that the Board is currently looking for someone to fill that role.

Commissioner Bahar-Cook asked for more time to consider appointing someone outside of the county.

Becky Bennett, Board Coordinator, stated that appointments similar to this have been made in the past with the example used of the Community Corrections Advisory Board.

There was no action taken on the vacancies of the Community Health Center Board as there will be interviews conducted at a future Human Services Committee meeting.

#### Commissioner Concerns:

Commissioner Bahar-Cook discussed a personal late item that will appear on the Board of Commissioners agenda regarding a SCAO grant for the 55<sup>th</sup> District Court.

#### Other issues:

Board Chairperson Celentino stated that there is time on the February 10, 2014 Board Leadership Meeting agenda to include the Parks millage as an agenda item.

Commissioner Holman asked if the Parks millage should be listed as an agenda item for the next County Services Committee meeting, but after a discussion it was the consensus of the Caucus to have the County Services Committee address it after the Board Leadership Meeting.

Commissioner Tsernoglou announced that she will not be in attendance at the February 10, 2014 Board Leadership Meeting.

MOVED BY COMM. CRENSHAW, SUPPORTED BY COMM. MCGRAIN, TO PLACE ON THE AGENDA AND DISCUSS THE PARKS MILLAGE AT THE BOARD LEADERSHIP MEETING ON FEBRUARY 10, 2014.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There was then a discussion regarding the Michigan Avenue Corridor Project. Commissioner McGrain, who serves on the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, explained the grant that focuses on the corridor between Downtown Lansing and Webberville (urban to rural area). He said he would make sure the Caucus would also receive the reports and information on this project. Chairperson Anthony stated that the Caucus will hold a discussion regarding the Michigan Avenue Corridor Project at its next meeting.

Commissioner Bahar-Cook stated that she will be asking to pull Agenda Item No. 15 of the Board of Commissioners meeting for the purpose of a presentation. She also reminded the Caucus members to submit their sponsorship checks for the Ingham County Democratic Party Mardi Gras. Lastly, she also asked if anyone knew of any corporate advertising interest for Mardi Gras, to contact her.

Commissioner Nolan announced that the UAW is interested in giving early endorsements if anyone is interested, she said the contact person is Art Luna.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:28 p.m.