



**CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 13, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER – CONLEY

The CWW Board Meeting was held via Zoom. Mayor Conley called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL - RHAESA

Mayor Rhaesa called the roll: Mayor Kerreen Conley, City of Belleville; Supervisor Pat Williams, Canton Charter Township; David Norwood, alternate, City of Dearborn; Councilperson Jaylee Lynch, City of Garden City; Supervisor David Glaab, Huron Charter Township; Mayor Maureen Brosnan, City of Livonia; Mayor Brian Turnbull, City of Northville; Supervisor Robert Nix, Northville Charter Township; Nick Moroz, alternate, City of Plymouth; Supervisor Kurt Heise, Plymouth Charter Township; Supervisor Tracey Schultz Kobylarz, Redford Charter Township; Mayor LeRoy Burcroff, City of Romulus; Karen Armatis, Sumpter Township; Supervisor Kevin McNamara, Van Buren Township; Mayor John Rhaesa, City of Wayne; and Michael Reddy, alternate, City of Westland.

CWW Board Member/voting alternate of record not present: City of Dearborn Heights; City of Inkster.

Others present: Kym Worthy, Eric Sabree, Members of the audience.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – CONLEY

Motion by Glaab, supported by Nix to approve the agenda for September 11, 2020.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

4. TREASURER'S REPORTS - GLAAB

Motion by Lynch, supported by Kobylarz to approve the minutes from 09/30/20 and 10/31/20.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - RHAESA

Motion by Turnbull, supported by Nix to approve the meeting minutes from 09/30/20.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

6. WAYNE COUNTY PROSECUTOR’S UPDATE – KYM WORTHY

Ms. Worthy gave several updates to the board. Regarding Covid-19 shutdowns, the prosecutor’s office did not see an increase in crime as soon as they expected; however, crimes such as elder abuse, child abuse, and other domestic crimes were actually worse than they predicted.

Her office has visited most of the CWW communities regarding school threats and how to handle them. They are issuing a letter to all parents. There have been over 200 school threats so far since the Parkland shootings.

She briefly spoke about body cameras. She said there are about nine vendors being used. The cameras have exonerated more police officers than the other way around. Police agencies can call her office or Tony Guerriero at any time regarding questions regarding body cameras.

Supervisor Kobylarz asked Ms. Worthy if she could forward the County’s body camera policy to CWW so it can be compared to those of MMRMA and MML. Ms. Worthy will have Mr. Guerriero get a copy to CWW.

7. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

PARTNERSHIPS FOR PROGRESS WWNAACP

The second Listening Tour was held virtually on November 5, 2020. The event was similar to the in-person event held in June. It was streamed live on Facebook and has so far garnered over 450 views. CWW was able to take real time questions on social media and get them to the facilitator to be asked. This seemed to assist in understanding and increased communication.

2021 1/10 MIL AND CCF ALLOCATIONS

(This item is dependent on the 1/10 Mil Committee’s recommendation.)

FY21				
YAP	CCF	CCF%	1/10th	1/10th %
GROWTH WORKS	\$220,564.00	47%	\$40,000	29%
GARDEN CITY	\$103,566.00	22%	\$25,646	19%
NORTHVILLE	\$0.00	0%	\$11,693	8%
WAYNE	\$81,565.00	17%	\$31,279	23%
WESTLAND	\$66,564.00	14%	\$19,882	15%
CWW	\$0.00	0%	\$7,500	6%
TOTAL	\$472,259.00	100%	\$136,000	100%

Motion by Glaab, supported by Armatis to approve the 2021 1/10 Mil and CCF allocations as listed above.

There was a roll call vote:

AYES:

Cities:

City of Belleville
City of Dearborn
City of Garden City
City of Livonia
City of Northville
City of Plymouth
City of Romulus
City of Wayne

Townships:

Canton Charter Township
Huron Charter Township
Northville Charter Township
Plymouth Charter Township
Redford Charter Township
Sumpter Township
Van Buren Charter Township

NAYES: None. Motion carried.

2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POLICY RECOMMENDATION

This year there will be four new board members due to elections and retirements. Two of those members serve on our Executive Committee. The policy CWW passed was that each member would move up a "seat" each year, serving ideally five years. CWW knew that inevitably there would be a situation in which it did not always work out because of elections, but it was determined that the Board would deal with it as it happened.

Since 2020 has been unusual, Ms. Sellek, as Executive Director was to have Mayor Conley continue on as Chair through 2021, Mayor Rhaesa serve as Vice-Chair and Supervisor Glaab serve as Secretary. This would leave the Chair Emeritus seat open, which is acceptable as the by-laws do not require a Chair Emeritus position. This change would then require one new Executive Committee member.

This amendment would not determine the 2021 Executive Committee, but would allow the Nominating Committee to consider it.

Motion by Lynch, supported by Armatis to amend the CWW Executive Committee Policy for 2021 to allow for the current chairperson to be able to remain as chairperson for an additional term.

There was a roll call vote:

AYES:

Cities:

City of Belleville
City of Dearborn
City of Garden City
City of Livonia
City of Northville
City of Plymouth
City of Romulus
City of Wayne

Townships:

Canton Charter Township
Huron Charter Township
Northville Charter Township
Plymouth Charter Township
Redford Charter Township
Sumpter Township
Van Buren Charter Township

NAYES: None.

2020-2021 NOMINATING COMMITTEE POLICY CHANGE

In accordance with the CWW Nominating Committee policy, the annual seats on the Nominating Committee are:

1. Outgoing Chair Emeritus
2. Current CWW Vice-Chair
3. Nominated by current CWW Chairman

Due to the changes as previously outlined, Ms. Sellek's recommendation was to amend the policy for 2020-2021 to:

1. Current CWW Secretary
2. Current CWW Chairman
3. Nominated by CWW Chairman

2020-2021 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

As the above amendment was approved, the Nominating Committee to be voted on was:

1. Mayor John Rhaesa (Current Secretary)
2. Mayor Kerreen Conley (Current Chair)
3. Mayor LeRoy Burcroff (Nominated by Current Chair)

Motion by Nix, supported by Kobylarz to approve the slate as listed above.

There was a roll call vote:

AYES:

Cities:

City of Belleville
City of Dearborn
City of Garden City
City of Livonia
City of Northville
City of Plymouth
City of Romulus
City of Wayne

Townships:

Canton Charter Township
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Sumpter Township
Van Buren Charter Township

NAYES: None.

Ms. Sellek said the CWW Nominating Committee will give their recommendation for the 2021 Executive Committee at the December Board Meeting. This will be voted on at the January 2021 meeting.

GROWTH WORKS CARE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION SUPPORT

An email was sent to the board with a request and a sample letter of support for Growth Works to continue as the western Wayne Care Management Organization (CMO). The County's RFQ for this contract will be released in December and the letters are needed by then. Letters can be emailed to js@c-w-w.org and they can be addressed to:

Nick Griswold, CEO
Growth Works, Inc.
271 S. Main St.
Plymouth, MI 48170

OUTGOING CWW BOARD MEMBERS

On behalf of CWW staff, Ms. Sellek extended gratitude to outgoing board members: Supervisor Bob Nix, Supervisor Pat Williams, Supervisor Tracey Kobylarz and Deputy Supervisor Karen Armatis. Each of them has been an essential and active member to CWW, serving on committees and giving their time to the Executive Committee.

CWW has stayed alive for 40 years because of board members like them. Their advocacy for CWW, the region and local government as a whole has assisted this organization immensely.

SMALL GROUP MEETINGS

Ms. Sellek and Ms. Haynes will be meeting with each new board member individually. Updated board contact information will be sent out shortly.

Not knowing what 2021 will look like, Ms. Haynes and Ms. Sellek will be scheduling a few small group Zooms with three current board members and one new board member. They would like to go over goals and ideas for 2021 in preparation for a year similar to 2020.

CWW TENTATIVE 2021 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Due to the uncertainty of in-person meetings, we are going forward with Zoom scheduled board meetings. Should in-person meetings be able to resume, we will schedule locations in CWW communities. However, the dates and times of meetings will be the same regardless.

2021 TENTATIVE BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE:

9:30 a.m start

January 8
February 12
March 12
April 9
May 14
June 11
September 10
November 12
December 10

The final 2020 board meeting is December 11 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom.

8. ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS

Eric Sabree started by saying that he wants to come back in January regarding the excess proceeds because the issue is still in court.

Current and delinquent taxes are on par with last year. Online, kiosk, etc. payments have picked up in lieu of in-person payments, as people can only come in by appointment. Surprisingly, they have not seen a drop in tax payments due to this.

Chris Mattus advised that Senator Peters is working on finishing up budget items, even beyond the current funding period. Peters is working on the National Defense Authorization Act, Omnibus Funding bill, an additional Covid-19 aid package, and PPE supplies (including those needed during protests). Hopefully there will be a vaccine before too long, and they'll be involved in the delivery.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Conley asked board members how their communities were doing in regard to Covid-19. There was a lot of discussion as to public building access and staffing, and about businesses within their community, etc.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kobylarz, supported by Williams to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

AYES: All. Motion carried.