

**Ionia County Board of Commissioners**  
**101 West Main Street, Ionia, Michigan 48846**

**November 1, 2022, 10:00 a.m.**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Jack Shattuck, Clare Colwell, Rob Weick, Gary Pitsch, Melissa Eldridge, Al Almy, Lynn Mason, John Feuerstein, George Chickering, Mark Novak, Sarah Osburn, John Vriese

**Members Absent:** Jorel Davis

**Other Present:** County Clerk Greg Geiger

**I. Call to Order**

Shattuck called the meeting to order.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Board discussed agenda.

*Motion to Approve*

*Moved by Pitsch*

*Supported by Weick*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Board discussed agenda.

*Motion to Approve*

*Moved by Mason*

*Supported by Weick*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

**IV. Public Comment**

Gary Smith commented on environmental health problems.

**V. Business**

Osburn led review of draft plan amendments. Committee discussed tipping fees in depth. Committee discussed actual amount of 4% tipping fee. Committee discussed past practices as it relates to tipping fees.

*Motion to Require Financial History*

*Moved by Vriese*

*Supported by Almy*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

Committee discussed Johnson Road and designation as Class A road.  
Committee returns to discussion on draft plan amendments. Committee

discussed tonnage and tonnage limits. Committee discussed new list of requests for Pitsch Landfill. Committee Discussed who is responsible for enforce of solid waste plan. Committee discussed the responsibility of the Board of Commissioners over their policies. Committee discussed abolition of the Planning Commission.

Mason commented on landfills. Committee discussed wetlands. Committee discussed community agreements. Committee Discussed who is responsible for enforce of community agreements.

Committee discussed conservation district and discussed making recommendation to Board of Commissioner regarding adding new position to oversee recycling efforts.

*Motion to Recommend*

*Moved by Mason*

*Supported by Almy*

*Motion carried by voice vote*

Committee discussed setting next meeting for December 7, 2022 at 10:00am.

#### **VI. Public Comment**

Kristie Warner-Walls commented on tracking, publishing, and a study of the local impact on watersheds, and on the road department.

Valentine commented on the conduct of meeting.

#### **VII. Adjournment**

*Motion to Adjourn*

*Moved by Colwell*

*Supported by Chickering*

*Motion carried by voice vote*