



IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jack Shattuck, Chairman

May 27, 2025, 3:00 p.m.
Minutes

Members Present: County Commissioner Terence Frewen, County Commissioner Gordon Kelley, County Commissioner Scott Wirtz, County Commissioner David Hodges, County Commissioner Phil Hesche, County Commissioner Jack Shattuck.

Members Absent: County Commissioner Larry Tiejema,

Others Present: County Administrator Chad Shaw, County Clerk Greg Geiger.

I. Call to Order

Shattuck called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Shattuck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Invocation

Hodges led the invocation.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Board discussed agenda, added item regarding County L-4029.

Motion to Approve Agenda as Amended

Moved by Frewen

Supported by Kelley

Motion carried by voice vote

V. Public Comment (Three-minute time limit per-speaker – please state name/organization)

Hesche commented on the monthly cost of the HealthBar Clinic.

VI. Action on Consent Calendar

Board approved the consent calendar by unanimous consent after corrections.

VII. Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.



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VIII. New Business

Board discussed agreement between Ionia County Sheriff's Office and Ionia Township. Sheriff Noll presented the agreement and recommended approval.

Motion to Approve Agreement

Moved by Wirtz

Supported by Hodges

Motion carried by voice vote

Board discussed request to reinstate Deputy Sheriff's position. Sheriff Noll presented the request and recommended approval.

Motion to Reinstate Position

Moved by Hodges

Supported by Frewen

Motion carried by voice vote

Board discussed request for approval of Materials Management Grant. Conservation District Director Melissa Eldrige presented the grant and recommended approval

Motion to Approve Grant

Moved by Kelley

Supported by Frewen

Motion carried by voice vote

Board discussed approval of bid from Central Michigan Excavating LLC for construction of compactor cement base. Conservation District Director Melissa Eldrige presented the bid and recommended acceptance.

Motion to Accept Bid

Moved by Kelley

Supported by Frewen

Motion carried by voice vote

Hodges Dissented

Hesche Dissented



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Board discussed resolution to approve the Fiscal Year 2025 Ionia County Community Corrections Grant. Circuit Court Administrator Selina Schmidt presented the grant and recommended approval

Motion to Approve Grant

Moved by Wirtz

Supported by Frewen

Motion carried by roll call vote

Yes – Hodges, Wirtz, Hesche, Kelley, Shattuck, Frewen

No –

Board discussed agreement between the Ionia County Health Department and Aetna Better Health. Shaw presented the agreement and recommended approval.

Motion to Approve Agreement

Moved by Wirtz

Supported by Hodges

Motion carried by voice vote

Board discussed approval of budget amendment for the Ionia County Health Department. Shaw presented the amendment and recommended approval.

Motion to Approve Amendment

Moved by Kelley

Supported by Frewen

Motion carried by voice vote

Board discussed appointment of Haleigh Leslie as Director of the Health Department and the Local Health Officer. Shaw presented the appointment and recommended approval.

Motion to Appoint Haleigh Leslie as Director of the Health Department and the Local Health Officer

Moved by Hodges

Supported by Kelley

Motion carried by voice vote

Board discussed approval of Ionia County L-4029. Equalization Director Anthony Meyaard presented the L-4029 and recommended approval.

Motion to Approve L-4029

Moved by Frewen

Supported by Kelley

Motion carried by voice vote



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- IX. Department Reports
Board reviewed the written and oral report from the Public Defender's Office
Board reviewed the written and oral report from the Commission on Aging.
- X. Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees
Wirtz commented on community corrections.
Frewen commented on ICEA, Road Department, and Finance Committee.
Kelley commented on Eight-Cap and federal funding.
Shaw commented on civil war flag, and new Finance Director.
- XI. Reports of Special or Ad Hoc Committees
No reports of special or ad hoc committees.
- XII. Public Comment (3-minute time limit per speaker)
Shane Houghton commented on the civil war flag.
- XIII. Closed Session
No Closed Session.
- XIV. Adjournment
Board discussed adjournment.
Motion to Adjourn
Moved by Hodges
Supported by Frewen
Motion carried by voice vote

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Greg Geiger, County Clerk