

**ST. JOSEPH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
January 21, 2025**

The Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Commission Chambers on January 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Jared Hoffmaster called the meeting to order.

The invocation was given by Commissioner Rick Shaffer.

County Clerk Gina Everson called the roll, and the following commissioners were present:

- Rusty Baker
- Jared Hoffmaster
- Ken Malone
- Luis Rosado
- Rick Shaffer
- Christina Yunker

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Terry Conklin

Also Present: County Administrator Teresa Cupp, Finance Director Angie Steinman

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Regina Chapman of Three Rivers
- Paige Willis of White Pigeon
- Deborah Davis of Colon
- Andrew Brandt of Centreville

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Rosado and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

The consent agenda included:

1. Special Board Meeting Minutes from January 7, 2025.
2. Updates to the St. Joseph County Board Rules.
3. Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Board Appointments.

PRESENTATIONS

- **Resolution Honoring Ken Malone for Service 2023–2024:**

Chairman Jared Hoffmaster and Commissioner Rick Shaffer presented a resolution honoring Ken Malone for his service as Chairman of the Board from 2023–2024. The resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Teresa Cupp provided an update on county operations, including onboarding of elected officials, leadership training, and other ongoing project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS

Chair Jared Hoffmaster presented the proposed **2025 Board of Commissioner Committee Appointments** for consideration by the Board.

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and seconded by Commissioner Malone to approve the **2025 Board of Commissioner Committee Appointments** as presented. Motion carried.

Additionally, Commissioner Rosado provided an update on road commission projects, followed by Commissioner Yunker, who also commented on road commission efforts. Commissioner Baker shared updates on the Three Rivers Court building and the need for a special meeting. Chair Hoffmaster provided an update on the Transportation Authority's budget cut.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Shaffer reflected on new leadership at the county.
- Commissioner Malone thanked the community and fellow commissioners.
- Commissioner Baker expressed gratitude for Commissioner Malone's service as Chair.
- Commissioner Rosado and Commissioner Yunker appreciated public engagement.
- Chair Hoffmaster thanked attendees for their participation

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Shaffer and seconded by Commissioner Malone to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m. Motion carried.

Gina Everson, St. Joseph County Clerk/Register