The Eaton County Board of Commissioners met in session at the County Facilities, in the City of Charlotte, Wednesday, June 17, 2020.

Chairman Augustine called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given by all.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Lautzenheiser.

Roll call. Commissioners present; Rob Piercefield, Blake Mulder, Terrance Augustine, Brandon Haskell, Jeanne Pearl-Wright, Jane M. Whitacre, Glenn Freeman, Joseph Brehler, Brian Droscha, Matthew S. Bowen, Wayne Ridge, Brian Lautzenheiser, Jim Mott, Barbara Rogers. Commissioners absent: Lisa Deavers.

Commissioner Brehler requested the following change to the agenda: addition to New Business, Resolution to Declare Racism as a Public Health Crisis.

Commissioner Freeman requested the addition to New Business, Extension of the Greater Lansing Food Bank Memo of Understanding with Eaton County.

Chairman Augustine requested the addition to Public Works and Planning Committee report: Establishment of the Eaton County Sustainability Committee and the Eaton County Recycling Work Group.

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved the agenda be approved as amended. Seconded by Commissioner Bowen. Carried.

Commissioner Pearl-Wright moved the approval of the minutes of May 20, 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried.

Communications: Resolution received from Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners – Move Kalkaska County Forward. Resolution received from the Ingham County Board of Commissioners to Declare Racism as a Public Health Crisis in the County of Ingham. Resolution received from the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners - Statement of Support for Love Live Here.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #20-6-54 Resolution of Appreciation Robert Simons.

WHEREAS, Robert Simons retired from Eaton County on April 30, 2020 after 18 years and 6 months of service; and
WHEREAS, Bob worked as a Building Inspector from January 9, 1996 to September 28, 2007. Bob returned to Eaton County July 29, 2013 as a Building Inspector until his retirement; and
WHEREAS, Bob has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents of Eaton County; and
WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Bob's years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Bob for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to him in the next chapter of his life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 17th day of the month of June in the year 2020.

Seconded by Commissioner Rogers. Carried.

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of #20-6-55 Resolution of Appreciation for Doug Sherman.

WHEREAS, Doug Sherman will retire from Eaton County on June 30, 2020 after 28 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Doug worked as a Youth Specialist from January 28, 1992 until being promoted to Shift Supervisor on September 30, 1995 where he also served as the Training Coordinator for the Youth Facility until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Doug has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Doug's years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Doug for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to him in the next chapter of his life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 17th day of the month of June in the year 2020.

Seconded by Commissioner Rogers. Carried.

Chairman Augustine moved the approval of #20-6-56 Resolution of Appreciation for Yvonne Ridge.

WHEREAS, Yvonne Ridge will be retired from Eaton County on June 24, 2020 after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne began her career with the Controller’s Office on May 22, 1995 holding several positions, including Accountant and her most recent position as Benefit Specialist; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents and employees of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Yvonne’s years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Yvonne for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to her in the next chapter of her life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 17th day of the month of June in the year 2020.
Seconded by Commissioner Ridge. Carried.

Chairman Augustine moved the approval of #20-6-57 Resolution of Appreciation for Steven Hayes.

WHEREAS, Stephen Hayes retired from Eaton County on May 15, 2020 after 25 years of service; and
WHEREAS, Steve worked as a Corrections Deputy from June 19, 1995 until his retirement; and
WHEREAS, Steve has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents of Eaton County; and
WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Steve’s years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Steve for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to him in the next chapter of his life; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 17th day of the month of June in the year 2020.
Seconded by Commissioner Haskell. Carried.

Commissioner Freeman moved the approval of #20-6-58 Resolution to Authorize Application for NG911 Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) End-of-Life Subgrant.

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has procured a federal grant to assist with the implementation of NG911 (Next Generation 911) Statewide, and
WHEREAS, subgrant funding of CPE (Customer Premise Equipment) is being made available for agencies that have equipment considered ‘end-of-life;’ and
WHEREAS, Eaton County installed CPE equipment in 2014, which is now considered ‘end-of-life;’ and
WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding for the replacement of CPE equipment, with a minimum 10% match by Eaton County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize Central Dispatch to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed $220,192, with a minimum county match of $11,010; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Central Dispatch be authorized to sign any necessary documents.
Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried.

Commissioner Haskell moved the approval of #20-6-59 Resolution to Approve Risk Assessment Policy.

WHEREAS, the Technology Services Department has developed an Risk Assessment Policy as part of a comprehensive Information Security Policy Manual development to achieve compliance with IRS Pub 1075 Guidelines for
the receipt and storage of Federal Tax Information (FTI) within the County-operated technology network utilized by the Friend of the Court; and
WHEREAS, the proposed Risk Assessment Policy has been submitted to and reviewed by the Information Technology and Communication Committee; and
WHEREAS, the Information Technology and Communication Committee recommends the approval of the Risk Assessment Policy as submitted by the Technology Services Department.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the Risk Assessment Policy, effective immediately.
Secended by Commissioner Bowen. Carried.

Commissioner Whitacre moved the approval of #20-6-60 Resolution to Submit to a Vote of the Electorate an EATRN Millage Authorization Question.

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Planning Committee has reviewed a request from EATRN to place a Ballot Proposal on the November 3, 2020 Ballot; and
WHEREAS, the Public Works and Planning Committee is recommending approval of the request.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following question be submitted to a vote of the electorate of Eaton County in the election to be held November 3, 2020.

EATON COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (EATRN)
MILLAGE RENEWAL AUTHORIZATION QUESTION

For the purpose of providing funds for the exclusive use of public transportation purposes, to include accommodation for the elderly and handicapped by the Eaton County Transportation Authority (EATRN), at the same millage level previously approved by the voters in 2012, shall the previously voted increase in the constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all property within the County of Eaton, Michigan, be continued and renewed at up to 0.2500 of a mill ($0.25 on each $1,000 dollars of taxable value) for a period of five (5) years, 2022 to 2026, inclusive, and shall the County of Eaton be authorized to levy such millage for said purposes?

The estimate of the revenue for the County of Eaton in the 2022 calendar year is approximately $1,025,873. A small portion of the revenue collected (approximately $11,875 in 2022) may be required to be distributed to Downtown Development Authorities, Tax Increment Financing Authorities, Local Development Financing Authorities and Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Authorities established in cities of Charlotte, Eaton Rapids, Grand Ledge, Potterville & Village of Bellevue.

YES [ ]

NO [ ]
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this question is hereby certified to the County Clerk; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to cause this proposed question to be stated on the November 3, 2020 ballot and to be prepared and distributed in the manner required by law.


Chairman Augustine spoke regarding the establishment of the Eaton County Sustainability Committee and the Eaton County Recycling Work Group.

Commissioner Brehler moved the approval of #20-6-61 Resolution to Adopt 2020 Summer Property Tax Levy and Notice of Certification of County Allocated Tax Levy.

WHEREAS, Eaton County is authorized under the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, as amended, to levy and collect County allocated property taxes; and
WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act has been amended by Public Act 357 of 2004 being 211.44a, to require all Michigan Counties to impose a summer tax levy in 2007 and each year thereafter.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004, the Eaton County allocated tax shall be levied and collected on July 1, 2020, at the full amount allocated after application of the “Headlee” millage reduction fraction, or 5.2096 mills for General County Operations; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of each city and township in Eaton County is directed to account for and deliver the full County allocated tax collections for 2020 in accordance with the provisions of Public Act 357 of 2004; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution constitutes certification of the levy of the County allocated tax and authorized collection of the County allocated tax July 1, 2020, at the full amount allocated after application of the “Headlee” millage reduction fraction, or 5.2096 mills.


Commissioner Brehler moved the approval of #20-6-62 Resolution to Approve Protecting Local Government Retirement and Benefits Act Application for Waiver.
WHEREAS, the County received notification that its retirement system received a preliminary determination of underfunded status under Public Act 202 of 2017; and
WHEREAS, this system is included in the annual financial statements of the County; and
WHEREAS, the County took action to bridge the defined benefit pension multipliers for non-union employees from 2.5% to 2.0%, effective October 1, 2017; and
WHEREAS, the County took further action to bridge the defined benefit pension multipliers for its represented employees from 3.2% to 2.0%, through the arbitration process that resulted in arbitrations decisions implementing such change, effective February 1, 2019; and
WHEREAS, the County budgeted and contributed additional funds to its retirement system in excess of the Actuarially Determined Contribution during FY2019; and
WHEREAS, the County took these past actions to improve the funded status of its retirement system in to the future; and
WHEREAS, these past actions have been documented in an application for waiver of the underfunded status, as required by Public Act 202 of 2017.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the application for waiver and authorizes its submission to the Michigan Department of Treasury.
Seconded by Commissioner Bowen. Carried.

Commissioner Brehler moved the approval of #20-6-63 Resolution to Approve County Work Share Program Application and Modify the County Operating Schedule through September 30, 2020.

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has a Work Share Program to avoid the need for employers to consider layoffs; and
WHEREAS, the County has evaluated the Work Share Program for its General Fund non-union employee population; and
WHEREAS, the Controller/Administrator has recommended the County apply to participate in the Work Share Program at 20% for the above employee population through the week ending October 3, 2020, to include the fiscal year end date of September 30, 2020, to partially offset revenue losses that have occurred during the current fiscal year due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
WHEREAS, employees may be exempted from the Work Share Program, as determined by the operational needs of the Department Head, Elected Official or Trial Court, and continue to work 100% of their full-time equivalent position; and
WHEREAS, employees may also be exempted from the Work Share Program based on their funding source or public service demands; and
WHEREAS, in order to achieve further savings and provide for consistent public service the County and Trial Courts will alter its operating schedule for the Courthouse through September 30, 2020 to be Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm; and
WHEREAS, Department Heads and Elected Officials that have employees not participating in the Work Share Program are encouraged to alter those
employees' work schedules in such a way that ensures the County and Trial Court facilities are able to remain closed to the public on Fridays; and
WHEREAS, the previously adopted and published Ways and Means Committee meeting regular for meetings scheduled to occur on Friday through September 30, 2020, will be amended to reflect the change for these meetings to occur the Thursday immediately preceding the previously approved meeting date, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act; and
WHEREAS, the previously adopted Holiday schedule for non-represented employees for 2020 will be amended to remove the holiday in recognition of the July 4th, Independence Day to be observed Friday, July 3, 2020, as the facilities will be closed due to the altered operating schedule. The remainder of the previously approved 2020 Holiday schedule remains in effect; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the application for the County's participation in the Work Share Program and alteration to the County operating schedule through October 3, 2020; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners approves the change in the 2020 Holiday Schedule for Independence Day; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners approves the modifications to the schedule of meetings of the Ways & Means Committee through September 30, 2020 and directs the Controller/Administrator to take action to provide public notice of the change in meeting schedule as required by the Open Meetings Act.
Seconded by Commissioner Haskell. Discussion held. Carried.

Commissioner Brehler moved the approval of #20-6-64 Resolution Pledging Full Faith and Credit to Fulton Drain Drainage District Bonds.
WHEREAS pursuant to a petition filed with the Drain Commissioner of the County of Eaton, State of Michigan (the "Drain Commissioner"), proceedings have been taken under the provisions of Act 40, Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended (the "Act"), for the making of certain intra-county drain improvements referred to as the Fulton Drain Maintenance and Improvement Project (the "Project"), which is being undertaken by the Fulton Drain Drainage District (the "Drainage District") in a Special Assessment District (the "Special Assessment District") established by the Drainage District; and
WHEREAS, the Project is necessary for the protection of the public health, and in order to provide funds to pay the costs of the Project, the Drain Commissioner intends to issue the Drainage District's bonds (the "Bonds"), in one or more series, in an amount not to exceed $1,350,000 pursuant to the Act; and
WHEREAS, the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable from assessments to be made upon public corporations and/or benefited properties in the Special Assessment District; and
WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") may, by resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the Board, pledge the full faith and credit of the County for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds pursuant to Section 276 of the Act; and
WHEREAS, the pledge of the full faith and credit of the County to the Bonds will reduce the cost of financing the Project and will be a benefit to the people of the County.
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED as follows:

1. The County pledges its full faith and credit for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds in a par amount not to exceed $1,350,000. The County shall immediately advance sufficient moneys from County funds, as a first budget obligation, to pay the principal of and interest on any of the Bonds should the Drainage District fail to pay such amounts when due. The County shall, if necessary, levy a tax on all taxable property in the County, to the extent other available funds are insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

2. Should the County advance County funds pursuant to the pledge made in this Resolution, the amounts shall be repaid to the County from assessments or reassessments made upon benefited properties in the Special Assessment District as provided in the Act.

3. The Chairperson of the Board, the County Controller/Administrator, the County Clerk, the County Treasurer and any other official of the County, or any one or more of them ("Authorized Officers"), are authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or desirable for the issuance of the Bonds and to execute any documents or certificates necessary to complete the issuance of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, any applications including the Michigan Department of Treasury, Application for State Treasurer’s Approval to Issue Long-Term Securities, any waivers, certificates, receipts, orders, agreements, instruments, and any certificates relating to federal or state securities laws, rules, or regulations and to participate in the preparation of a preliminary official statement and a final official statement for the Bonds and to sign such documents on behalf of the County and give any approvals necessary therefor.

4. Any one of the Authorized Officers is hereby authorized to execute a certificate of the County to comply with the continuing disclosure undertaking of the County with respect to the Bonds pursuant to paragraph (b)(5) of SEC Rule 15c2-12 issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and amendments to such certificate from time to time in accordance with the terms of such certificate (the certificate and any amendments thereto are collectively referred to herein as the “Continuing Disclosure Certificate”).

5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions are, to the extent of any conflict with this resolution, rescinded to the extent of the conflict. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha. Carried.

Commissioner Brehler moved the approval#20-6-65 2019/20 Budget Amendments.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2019/2020 Appropriations Act of September 18, 2019 states that any amendment to increase a salary and/or a Capital Outlay line-item in excess of $2,500.00 or any amendment to increase the total budget of any fund or department in excess of $2,500.00 shall be amended by the Board of Commissioners, except that any amendment to
decrease the General Fund Contingency shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners; and
WHEREAS, such amendments are needed in order to comply with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act of 1978, P.A.621.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments be approved and added to the 2019-2020 Eaton County Budget:

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

CONSTRUCTION CODE - 249-371

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Increase Construction Code wage and fringe benefits and increase the permit specialist positions from part to full-time and amend the position allocation list effective July 1, 2020.
Seconded by Commissioner Lautzenheiser. Carried.

Commissioner Brehler moved the approval of claims as audited by the Ways & Means Committee for $$225,215.20 and to accept the report of previously authorized payments.
Seconded by Commissioner Rogers. Carried.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Pearl-Wright spoke regarding the pleasant conditions at Fox Park.

Sheriff Reich spoke regarding a recent fatal shooting incident on Saginaw Highway, Delta Township.

Unfinished Business: None

Old Business: None

New Business:
Commissioner Brehler moved the approval of #20-6-66 Resolution to Declare Racism as a Public Health Crisis.

WHEREAS, race is a social construction with no biologic basis, a social system with multiple dimensions, including individual racism, which is internalized or interpersonal; and
WHEREAS, systemic racism is institutional or structural, a system of structuring opportunity and assigning value based on the social interpretation of how one looks that unfairly disadvantages some individuals and communities, unfairly advantages other individuals and communities, and depletes the strength of the whole society through the waste of human resources; and
WHEREAS, racism is rooted in the foundation of America for more than 400 years. From the time chattel slavery began in the 1600s, to the Jim Crow era, to the declaration of the war on drugs that which has led to the mass incarceration of Black people, racism has remained a presence in American society while subjecting Black people to hardships and disadvantages in every aspect of life; and
WHEREAS, racism, including unconscious and conscious bias, causes persistent racial discrimination in Criminal Justice, Social Capital, Voter Suppression, Education, Transportation, Employment, Food Access, Mental Health and Health Behaviors, Socioeconomic Status, Environmental Exposure, Access to Health Services, and Public Safety; and
WHEREAS, historical racism in Michigan has impacted Black Michiganders including Black Eaton County residents. Discriminatory housing practices in the 20th century, known as redlining, and discriminatory housing covenants contributed to the segregation of the Black community. Black citizens across the state of Michigan have been limited to areas with restricted access to healthy foods, lack of clean water, and other essential resources, leading to a variety of health issues, including reduced life expectancy, higher rates of infant and maternal mortality, and higher rates of lead poisoning; and
WHEREAS, older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19, Black people have higher incidence of chronic illnesses than other races causing them to die from COVID-19 at 3.8 times the rate of white people; and
WHEREAS, Black people are disproportionately suffering in-part due to these long standing, unaddressed health disparities as a result of systemic racism and other socioeconomic inequities. Indicators of health disparities include Black infant mortality, which is 12.9 percent compared to White infant mortality at 6.4 percent; prevalence of diabetes, which is 17.5 percent for Blacks compared to 7.7 percent for Whites; and 20 percent of Black residents state that they lack access to health care; and
WHEREAS, there is clear data to illustrate that racism negatively impacts the lives of Black people in Eaton County and the privileges that other Americans experience inhibit them from fully understanding how racism impacts Black people in America – for example the performance of simple tasks like driving while Black, walking/running in neighborhoods, wearing a hoodie, going to the store, or just going to a park all come with certain risk not experienced by others. Concerned parents prepare their Black youth at an early age by having “The Talk” with their children in order to attempt to protect them; and
WHEREAS, the American Public Health Association, National Association of County and City Health Officials, and the American Academy of Pediatrics have declared racism as a public health crisis, this Board believes that now is the time to do the same. The disparities caused by racism that we have outlined in this resolution represent a public health crisis which affects us all; and
WHEREAS, we as a governmental body have a responsibility to ensure an optimal quality of life for all of our Black Eaton County residents.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby declares racism as a public health crisis that affects all members of our society on a local (urban and rural), state, and national level and demands action from all levels of government and society.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners advocates for relevant policies that improve health in the Black community, and support local, state, and federal initiatives that advance social justice.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Eaton County will assess its local ordinances, health regulations and internal policies and procedures to ensure racial equity and promote diversity as core elements in all organizational decision-making.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners calls upon all members of the community to come together to work toward achieving community-oriented solutions to address the legacy of racial injustices faced by Black communities.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board of Commissioners urges other governmental bodies to declare racism as a public health crisis and to immediately take steps to intentionally address and support methods that will strategically reduce the long-term impact of systemic racism.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners requests that the County Clerk forward copies of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Michigan, Eaton County's State Legislative delegation, the Michigan Association of Counties, Barry-Eaton District Health Department, the Michigan Association of Local Public Health, Community Mental Health Authority – Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties, the Community Mental Health Association of Michigan and local units of government within Eaton County. Seconded by Commissioner Haskell. Discussion held. Nays: Brian Droscha Carried.

Commissioner Freeman moved the extension for the Greater Lansing Food Bank MOU with Eaton County to the end of September 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright. Carried.

Chairman Augustine adjourned the meeting to Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
ROBERT SIMONS
CONSTRUCTION CODE

JUNE 17, 2020

Commissioner Mulder moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Rogers.

WHEREAS, Robert Simons retired from Eaton County on April 30, 2020 after 18 years and 6 months of service; and

WHEREAS, Bob worked as a Building Inspector from January 9, 1996 to September 28, 2007. Bob returned to Eaton County July 29, 2013 as a Building Inspector until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Bob has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Bob’s years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Bob for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to him in the next chapter of his life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 17th day of the month of June in the year 2020. Carried.

Terrance Augustine
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
DOUG SHERMAN
YOUTH FACILITY

JUNE 17, 2020

Commissioner Mulder moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Rogers.

WHEREAS, Doug Sherman will retire from Eaton County on June 30, 2020 after 28 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Doug worked as a Youth Specialist from January 28, 1992 until being promoted to Shift Supervisor on September 30, 1995 where he also served as the Training Coordinator for the Youth Facility until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Doug has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Doug’s years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Doug for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to him in the next chapter of his life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 17th day of the month of June in the year 2020. Carried.

Terrance Augustine
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
YVONNE RIDGE
CONTROLLER’S OFFICE

JUNE 17, 2020

Commissioner Augustine moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Ridge.

WHEREAS, Yvonne Ridge will be retired from Eaton County on June 24, 2020 after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne began her career with the Controller’s Office on May 22, 1995 holding several positions, including Accountant and her most recent position as Benefit Specialist; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents and employees of Eaton County; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners seeks to recognize and express appreciation for Yvonne’s years of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Yvonne for years of exceptional service to Eaton County and expresses its best wishes to her in the next chapter of her life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution of appreciation and support be duly recorded and attached to the permanent records of the County on this 17th day of the month of June in the year 2020. Carried.

Terrance Augustine
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR
STEPHEN HAYES
SHERIFF’S OFFICE

JUNE 17, 2020

Commissioner Augustine moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Haskell.

WHEREAS, Stephen Hayes retired from Eaton County on May 15, 2020 after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Steve worked as a Corrections Deputy from June 19, 1995 until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Steve has provided dedicated and honorable service to the residents of Eaton County; and

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Terrance Augustine
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Diana Bosworth
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR NG911 CUSTOMER PREMISE EQUIPMENT (CPE) END-OF-LIFE SUBGRANT

Commissioner Freeman moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha.

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has procured a federal grant to assist with the implementation of NG911 (Next Generation 911) Statewide, and

WHEREAS, subgrant funding of CPE (Customer Premise Equipment) is being made available for agencies that have equipment considered 'end-of-life;' and

WHEREAS, Eaton County installed CPE equipment in 2014, which is now considered 'end-of-life;' and

WHEREAS, the grant would provide funding for the replacement of CPE equipment, with a minimum 10% match by Eaton County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize Central Dispatch to submit a grant application in an amount not to exceed $220,192, with a minimum county match of $11,010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved by the State of Michigan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Central Dispatch be authorized to sign any necessary documents. Carried.
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RISK ASSESSMENT POLICY

Introduced by the Information Technology & Communication Committee

Commissioner Haskell moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Bowen.

WHEREAS, the Technology Services Department has developed an Risk Assessment Policy as part of a comprehensive Information Security Policy Manual development to achieve compliance with IRS Pub 1075 Guidelines for the receipt and storage of Federal Tax Information (FTI) within the County-operated technology network utilized by the Friend of the Court; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Risk Assessment Policy has been submitted to and reviewed by the Information Technology and Communication Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology and Communication Committee recommends the approval of the Risk Assessment Policy as submitted by the Technology Services Department.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the Risk Assessment Policy, effective immediately. Carried.
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT TO A VOTE OF THE ELECTORATE
AN EATRAN MILLAGE AUTHORIZATION QUESTION

Introduced by the Public Works and Planning Committee

Commissioner Whitacre moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright.

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Planning Committee has reviewed a request from EATRAN to place a Ballot Proposal on the November 3, 2020 Ballot; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Planning Committee is recommending approval of the request.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following question be submitted to a vote of the electorate of Eaton County in the election to be held November 3, 2020.

EATON COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (EATRAN)
MILLAGE RENEWAL AUTHORIZATION QUESTION

For the purpose of providing funds for the exclusive use of public transportation purposes, to include accommodation for the elderly and handicapped by the Eaton County Transportation Authority (EATRAN), at the same millage level previously approved by the voters in 2012, shall the previously voted increase in the constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all property within the County of Eaton, Michigan, be continued and renewed at up to 0.2500 of a mill ($0.25 on each $1,000 dollars of taxable value) for a period of five (5) years, 2022 to 2026, inclusive, and shall the County of Eaton be authorized to levy such millage for said purposes?

The estimate of the revenue for the County of Eaton in the 2022 calendar year is approximately $1,025,873. A small portion of the revenue collected (approximately $11,875 in 2022) may be required to be distributed to Downtown Development Authorities, Tax Increment Financing Authorities, Local Development Financing Authorities and Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Authorities established in cities of Charlotte, Eaton Rapids, Grand Ledge, Potterville & Village of Bellevue.

YES [ ]

NO [ ]

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this question is hereby certified to the County Clerk; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to cause this proposed question to be stated on the November 3, 2020 ballot and to be prepared and distributed in the manner required by law. Carried. Nays: Commissioner Brehler.
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2020 SUMMER PROPERTY TAX LEVY AND NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY ALLOCATED TAX LEVY

Introduced by the Ways and Means Committee

Commissioner Brehler moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Freeman.

WHEREAS, Eaton County is authorized under the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, as amended, to levy and collect County allocated property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act has been amended by Public Act 357 of 2004 being 211.44a, to require all Michigan Counties to impose a summer tax levy in 2007 and each year thereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004, the Eaton County allocated tax shall be levied and collected on July 1, 2020, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.2096 mills for General County Operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of each city and township in Eaton County is directed to account for and deliver the full County allocated tax collections for 2020 in accordance with the provisions of Public Act 357 of 2004; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution constitutes certification of the levy of the County allocated tax and authorized collection of the County allocated tax July 1, 2020, at the full amount allocated after application of the "Headlee" millage reduction fraction, or 5.2096 mills. Carried.
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROTECTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT RETIREMENT AND BENEFITS ACT APPLICATION FOR WAIVER

Introduced by the Ways & Means Committee

Commissioner Brehler moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Bowen.

WHEREAS, the County received notification that its retirement system received a preliminary determination of underfunded status under Public Act 202 of 2017; and

WHEREAS, this system is included in the annual financial statements of the County; and

WHEREAS, the County took action to bridge the defined benefit pension multipliers for non-union employees from 2.5% to 2.0%, effective October 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the County took further action to bridge the defined benefit pension multipliers for its represented employees from 3.2% to 2.0%, through the arbitration process that resulted in arbitrations decisions implementing such change, effective February 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the County budgeted and contributed additional funds to its retirement system in excess of the Actuarially Determined Contribution during FY2019; and

WHEREAS, the County took these past actions to improve the funded status of its retirement system in to the future; and

WHEREAS, these past actions have been documented in an application for waiver of the underfunded status, as required by Public Act 202 of 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the application for waiver and authorizes its submission to the Michigan Department of Treasury. Carried.
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE WORK SHARE PROGRAM AND MODIFY THE COUNTY OPERATING SCHEDULE THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Introduced by the Ways & Means Committee

Commissioner Brehler moved for the approval for the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Haskell.

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has a Work Share Program to avoid the need for employers to consider layoffs; and

WHEREAS, the County has evaluated the Work Share Program for its General Fund non-union employee population; and

WHEREAS, the Controller/Administrator has recommended the County apply to participate in the Work Share Program at 20% for the above employee population through the week ending October 3, 2020, to include the fiscal year end date of September 30, 2020, to partially offset revenue losses that have occurred during the current fiscal year due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, employees may be exempted from the Work Share Program, as determined by the operational needs of the Department Head, Elected Official or Trial Court, and continue to work 100% of their full-time equivalent position; and

WHEREAS, employees may also be exempted from the Work Share Program based on their funding source or public service demands; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve further savings and provide for consistent public service the County and Trial Courts will alter its operating schedule for the Courthouse through September 30, 2020 to be Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm; and

WHEREAS, Department Heads and Elected Officials that have employees not participating in the Work Share Program are encouraged to alter those employees’ work schedules in such a way that ensures the County and Trial Court facilities are able to remain closed to the public on Fridays; and

WHEREAS, the previously adopted and published Ways and Means Committee meeting regular for meetings scheduled to occur on Friday through September 30, 2020, will be amended to reflect the change for these meetings to occur the Thursday immediately preceding the previously
approved meeting date, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, the previously adopted Holiday schedule for non-represented employees for 2020 will be amended to remove the holiday in recognition of the July 4th, Independence Day to be observed Friday, July 3, 2020, as the facilities will be closed due to the altered operating schedule. The remainder of the previously approved 2020 Holiday schedule remains in effect; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the application for the County’s participation in the Work Share Program and alteration to the County operating schedule through October 3, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners approves the change in the 2020 Holiday Schedule for Independence Day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners approves the modifications to the schedule of meetings of the Ways & Means Committee through September 30, 2020 and directs the Controller/Administrator to take action to provide public notice of the change in meeting schedule as required by the Open Meetings Act. Carried.
EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE RACISM AS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

Introduced by Commissioner Joseph Brehler

Commissioner Brehler moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Haskell.

WHEREAS, race is a social construction with no biologic basis, a social system with multiple dimensions, including individual racism, which is internalized or interpersonal; and

WHEREAS, systemic racism is institutional or structural, a system of structuring opportunity and assigning value based on the social interpretation of how one looks that unfairly disadvantages some individuals and communities, unfairly advantages other individuals and communities, and depletes the strength of the whole society through the waste of human resources; and

WHEREAS, racism is rooted in the foundation of America for more than 400 years. From the time chattel slavery began in the 1600s, to the Jim Crow era, to the declaration of the war on drugs that which has led to the mass incarceration of Black people, racism has remained a presence in American society while subjecting Black people to hardships and disadvantages in every aspect of life; and

WHEREAS, racism, including unconscious and conscious bias, causes persistent racial discrimination in Criminal Justice, Social Capital, Voter Suppression, Education, Transportation, Employment, Food Access, Mental Health and Health Behaviors, Socioeconomic Status, Environmental Exposure, Access to Health Services, and Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, historical racism in Michigan has impacted Black Michiganders including Black Eaton County residents. Discriminatory housing practices in the 20th century, known as redlining, and discriminatory housing covenants contributed to the segregation of the Black community. Black citizens across the state of Michigan have been limited to areas with restricted access to healthy foods, lack of clean water, and other essential resources, leading to a variety of health issues, including reduced life expectancy, higher rates of infant and maternal mortality, and higher rates of lead poisoning; and

WHEREAS, older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19, Black people have higher incidence of chronic illnesses than other races causing them to die from COVID-19 at 3.8 times the rate of white people; and

WHEREAS, Black people are disproportionately suffering in-part due to these long standing, unaddressed health disparities as a result of systemic racism and other socioeconomic inequities. Indicators of health disparities include Black infant mortality, which is 12.9 percent compared to White infant mortality at 6.4 percent; prevalence of diabetes, which is 17.5 percent for Blacks
compared to 7.7 percent for Whites; and 20 percent of Black residents state that they lack access to health care; and

WHEREAS, there is clear data to illustrate that racism negatively impacts the lives of Black people in Eaton County and the privileges that other Americans experience inhibit them from fully understanding how racism impacts Black people in America – for example the performance of simple tasks like driving while Black, walking/running in neighborhoods, wearing a hoodie, going to the store, or just going to a park all come with certain risk not experienced by others. Concerned parents prepare their Black youth at an early age by having “The Talk” with their children in order to attempt to protect them; and

WHEREAS, the American Public Health Association, National Association of County and City Health Officials, and the American Academy of Pediatrics have declared racism as a public health crisis, this Board believes that now is the time to do the same. The disparities caused by racism that we have outlined in this resolution represent a public health crisis which affects us all; and

WHEREAS, we as a governmental body have a responsibility to ensure an optimal quality of life for all of our Black Eaton County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners hereby declares racism as a public health crisis that affects all members of our society on a local (urban and rural), state, and national level and demands action from all levels of government and society.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners advocates for relevant policies that improve health in the Black community, and support local, state, and federal initiatives that advance social justice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Eaton County will assess its local ordinances, health regulations and internal policies and procedures to ensure racial equity and promote diversity as core elements in all organizational decision-making.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners calls upon all members of the community to come together to work toward achieving community-oriented solutions to address the legacy of racial injustices faced by Black communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board of Commissioners urges other governmental bodies to declare racism as a public health crisis and to immediately take steps to intentionally address and support methods that will strategically reduce the long-term impact of systemic racism.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners requests that the County Clerk forward copies of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Michigan, Eaton County’s State Legislative delegation, the Michigan Association of Counties, Barry-Eaton District Health Department, the Michigan Association of Local Public Health, Community Mental Health Authority – Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties, the Community Mental Health Association of Michigan and local units of government within Eaton County. Carried.
STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF EATON

I certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the resolutions adopted by the Eaton County Board of Commissioners, that such resolutions were duly adopted at a regular meeting held on June 17, 2020, and that notice of such meeting was given as required by law.

Diana Bosworth, Clerk of the Eaton County Board of Commissioners

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EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 17, 2020

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2019/2020 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Commissioner Brehler moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Luatzenheiser.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County 2019/2020 Appropriations Act of September 18, 2019 states that any amendment to increase a salary and/or a Capital Outlay line-item in excess of $2,500.00 or any amendment to increase the total budget of any fund or department in excess of $2,500.00 shall be amended by the Board of Commissioners, except that any amendment to decrease the General Fund Contingency shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, such amendments are needed in order to comply with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act of 1978, P.A. 621.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments be approved and added to the 2019-2020 Eaton County Budget:

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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Increase Construction Code wage and fringe benefits and increase the permit specialist positions from part to full-time and amend the position allocation list effective July 1, 2020. Carried.