

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, December 12, 2019

6:30 PM

**Special Joint Working Session with Washtenaw County and Scio
Township**

**Washtenaw County Learning Resource Center, 4135 Washtenaw
Avenue**

City Council

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Jason Morgan of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners called the Special Work Session of the County Board of Commissioners, Ann Arbor City Council and Scio Board of Trustees to order at 6:35 p.m. in the Washtenaw County Learning Resource Center, 4135 Washtenaw Ave.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Councilmember Ramlawi arrived at 6:40 p.m.

Councilmember Smith arrived during Closed Session.

Present: 11 - Councilmember Jane Lumm, Councilmember Jack Eaton, Mayor Christopher Taylor, Councilmember Julie Grand, Councilmember Zachary Ackerman, Councilmember Chip Smith, Councilmember Anne Bannister, Councilmember Jeff Hayner, Councilmember Kathy Griswold, Councilmember Elizabeth Nelson and Councilmember Ali Ramlawi

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

The following members of the public were present to speak:

Vince Caruso, 556 Glendale, Board Member of CARD, stated that the provisions of the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit are being violated and the plume poses health risks to residents, especially those who utilize their basements.

James D'Amour, Ward 3, Sierra Club member, discussed the political aspect of the Gelman Plume. He urged that the boards allow the EPA to be involved in the clean-up.

Bob Bailey, Scio Township resident, expressed concerns with the consent process and the lack of an enforcement mechanism without returning to court.

Shawna Mulkey, Ann Arbor, urged the Boards to allow for a Superfund designation.

Rita Loch-Caruso, Ann Arbor, CARD member, spoke of the dangers of dioxane and urged the Boards to allow for the creation of a Superfund site.

Roger Rayle, CARD member, urged the Boards to allow for the creation of a Superfund site.

FOLLOW-UP TO CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

U.S. Representative Debbie Dingell and members of the City Council, County Board of Commissioners and Scio Township Board of Trustees spoke in response to citizen comment. Supervisor Mike Moran of Ann Arbor Township was also present.

ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

CLOSED SESSION UNDER THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR PENDING LITIGATION AND ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS SET FORTH OR INCORPORATED IN MCLA 15.268 (E), AND (H).

A motion was made by Councilmember Griswold, seconded by Councilmember Hayner, that Council enter into Closed Session under the Michigan Open Meetings Act to discuss pending litigation and attorney/client privileged communications as set forth in MCLA 15.268 (e) and (h). On a roll call, the vote was as follows with the Deputy Clerk declaring the motion carried and the meeting recessed in Closed Session at 7:16 p.m.:

Yeas: 10 - Councilmember Lumm, Councilmember Eaton, Mayor Taylor, Councilmember Grand, Councilmember Ackerman, Councilmember Bannister, Councilmember Hayner, Councilmember Griswold, Councilmember Nelson and Councilmember Ramlawi

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Smith

MEETING RECONVENED

A motion was made by Councilmember Hayner, seconded by Councilmember Lumm, that the meeting reconvene. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting reconvened in Open Session at 10:38 p.m.

MOTION TO SCHEDULE A JOINT MEETING JANUARY 16, 2020

A motion was made by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Brabec, that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, the Ann Arbor City Council and the Scio Township Board of Trustees hold a joint meeting on January 16, 2020 with representatives from the State's Attorney General's Office, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. On a voice vote, the Chair of the Board of Commissioners declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, the Chair of the Board of Commissioners declared the meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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