Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority Board of Commission Meeting Minutes November 13, 2025 Administrative Office

A regular meeting of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, November 13, 2025 at Administrative Office.

Commissioners Present:

John Paul Rea Stephen Pontoni Robert W. Marans Bernard Parker Jaye Quadrozzi William Bolin

Staff Officers Present:

Chief Executive Officer Chief Operating Officer Chief Financial Officer Amy McMillan Mike Lyons Shedreka Miller

Others:

Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone

Steve Mann

Absent: Tiffany Taylor

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Rea called the meeting to order at 1:01pm.

2. Chairman's Statement

None.

3. Public Participation

Rebecca Esselman, Executive Director, Huron River Watershed Council. Esselman stated she would like to address the Flat Rock Dam. Esselman stated the Huron River Watershed Council's mission is to protect and restore the Huron River Wastershed and has worked with HCMA in partnership over the years. Esselman stated the Huron River Watershed Council strongly supports the recommendation to partial remove the Flat Rock Dam and replace it with rock arch rapids. Esselman stated it is a once in a lifetime opportunity to improve the health, safety and accessible of the Huron River while preserving the recreational and scenic values. Esselman stated the benefits are clear and wide ranging. Esselman stated public safety will be improved by eliminating dam failure; regional ecology will benefit from enhanced fish passage and strengthening the

ecosystem; water levels will stay the same protecting property owner interests; recreation opportunities will expand as access to downtown Flat Rock will improve. Esselman stated rock rapids will be visually appealing, and the project is a practical balance between making the river healthy, safer and more accessible.

4. Approval – October 9, 2025 Regular Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners approve the regular meeting minutes as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval – November 13, 2025 Full Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Bolin, support from Commissioner Pontoni that the Board of Commissioners approve the full agenda as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

6. Approval – November 13, 2025 Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Pontoni, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners approve the consent agenda as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Agenda

7. Reports

A. Administrative Department

Presentation - PFAS Litigation Settlements and Metroparks
<u>Discussion:</u> Attorney Kurt Heise presented a litigation opportunity
for the Metroparks in regarding PFAs.

Commissioner Quadrozzi asked who the lead plaintiff is. Attorney Heise responded he is not sure at this time, but it is not in Michigan based.

Commissioner Quadrozzi asked are there any other park systems involved in the case. Attorney Heise responded not to his knowledge, but they may pursue other park systems.

Commissioner Quadrozzi asked what is the payment expectation and the time frame of which the damages will be assessed. Attorney Heise responded he expects it would be about a year from now, then once we enter a new phase, the attorneys will be assessing the Metroparks.

Commissioner Pontoni asked would we be signing with Mavacy or Stagg Liuzza. Attorney Heise responded HCMA would be signing with both firms as a three-way agreement.

Commissioner Parker asked how we would be represented as five counties. Attorney Heise responded a formula would be developed starting from the date HCMA experienced PFAs.

 Closed session - to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute, pursuant to section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Commissioner Pontoni, support from Commissioner Marans to convene in closed session for the purpose of discussing material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state of federal statutes.

Roll Call Vote

Voting Yes: Quadrozzi, Pontoni, Rea, Marans, Parker, Bolin

Voting No: None Absent: Taylor

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval - Flat Rock Recommendation

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Pontoni to approve the amended LOI and provide the City of Flat Rock a period of 10 calendar days to ratify and transmit the ratified LOI back to HCMA.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Report – Preliminary 2026 Budget

<u>Discussion:</u> Chief Executive Officer, Amy McMillan, Chief Financial Officer, Shedreka Miller and Chief Operating Officer, Mike Lyons presented the Preliminary 2026 Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Pontoni that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Preliminary 2026 Budget as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Report – Joint Data Report

Motion by Commissioner Bolin, support from Commissioner Pontoni that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Joint Data Report as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Finance

1. Report – Monthly Financial Report

<u>Discussion:</u> Chief Financial Officer, Shedreka Miller presented the monthly financial report.

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Pontoni that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Monthly Financial Report as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Engineering

1. Approval - Proposal Drainage System Repairs at Farm Center <u>Discussion:</u> Chief of Engineering Services, Mike Henkel presented the Proposal Drainage System Repairs at Farm Center.

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners approve the Proposal Drainage System Repairs at Farm Center as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval - Kensington Farm Office Repairs

<u>Discussion:</u> Chief of Engineering Services, Mike Henkel presented the Kensington Farm Office Repairs.

Motion by Commissioner Parker, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners approve the Kensington Farm Office Repairs as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval - Proposal Electrical Repair

<u>Discussion:</u> Chief of Engineering Services, Mike Henkel presented the Proposal Electrical Repair.

Motion by Commissioner Bolin, support from Commissioner Quadrozzi that the Board of Commissioners approve the Proposal Electrical Repair as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Public Participation

None

9. Other Business

Chief Executive Officer, Amy McMillan presented the asset relocation recommendations from SEI discussed at the Pension and RHCT meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Parker that the Board of Commissioners approve asset relocation recommendations from SEI as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Leadership Update

A. Approval - Single Payment of \$1,000 to each full-time, bargaining unit employee

<u>Discussion:</u> Chief Executive Officer, Amy McMillan presented the Single Payment of \$1,000 to each full-time, bargaining unit employee.

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners approve the Single Payment of \$1,000 to each full-time, bargaining unit employee as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Railroad Lease Agreement

<u>Discussion:</u> Chief Executive Officer, Amy McMillan presented the Railroad Lease Agreement.

Motion by Commissioner Parker, support from Commissioner Quadrozzi that the Board of Commissioners approve the Railroad Lease Agreement as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

11. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Parker stated Ralph C. Wilson Park opening was a great event and well received. Commissioner Parker stated the City of Detroit has elected a new mayor; Mayor Elect Mary Sheffield. Commissioner Parker stated she has a great background, and the city will see a great number of changes taking place.

12. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Pontoni, support from Commissioner Quadrozzi that the Board of Commissioners adjourn the regular meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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