

Lathrup Village Election Commission Meeting DRAFT Minutes

Friday, September 3, 2021 at 3:00 PM 27400 Southfield Road, Lathrup Village, Michigan 48076

In accordance with Emergency Orders issued by local officials, and State of Michigan legislation, which allows for electronic meetings of public bodies, notice is hereby given that the City of Lathrup's City Council will be meeting electronically using www.Zoom.us for videoconference and public access.

1. **Call to Order** (in accordance with PA 254 of 2020, the members should identify their physical location by stating the county, city, township, or village and state from which he or she is attending the meeting remotely).

Meeting called to order by Yvette Talley, City Clerk at 3:18 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Scott Baker, City Attorney, Dawn Medley, City Council Member, Yvette Talley, City Clerk
Scott Baker located in Addison Twp., MI – Oakland County, Dawn Medley, located in Stony Brook,
NY-Suffolk County. Yvette Talley, located in McKinney, TX-Collin County.

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Kantor, Council member Ian Ferguson and Dr. Sheryl Mitchell

Theriot, City Administrator, Kelda London, Government Services

Others Present: Butzel Long, Law Firm – Steven Eatherly, Beth Gotthelf, Kurtis T. Wilder,

Joseph E. Richotte

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Medley to approve the Agenda.

Ayes: Baker, Medley, Talley

No: None

Motion carried.

5. Approval of Minutes

A. Election Commission Minutes Remote Meeting – August 23, 2021

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Motion by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Medley to approve the minutes of the

August 23, 2021 meeting.

Ayes: Baker, Medley, Talley

No: None

Motion carried.

6. Public Comments

Bruce Kantor – 18129 Sunnybrook – asked outside legal counsel Butzel Long – legalities of

Marvin Moore not checking that he's a United States citizen on the Affidavit of Identity.

Ian Ferguson – Lathrup Blvd. – stated that Marvin Moore did not indicate he's a United States

Citizen on the Affidavit of Identity form.

Karen Miller – 18755 Glenwood Blvd. - stated she did turn in 2 copies of the Affidavit of Identity and

there should not be an issue.

Mark Dizik – 19251 Rainbow Dr.-wanted to know who was disqualified.

Martha Moore – 28050 Red River Dr. N.- asked what was the discrepancy on the Affidavit of Identity.

Barbara Kenez – 19115 Glenwood Blvd. - stated she did turn in her Affidavit of Identity.

Greg Ruvolo – 27641 Lathrup Blvd. - stated he turned in his Affidavit of Identity.

Butzel Long –Discussion - gave an overview and stated they found that Karen Miller, Greg Ruvolo

and Barbara Kenez did not submit their Affidavit of Identity forms. Also, Marvin Moore did not

indicate being a United States citizen on the Affidavit of Identity. Other missing information was

discussed for example - missing the date of birth which is not a mandatory filing requirement but

recommended. Discussion regarding all affidavits of Identity were received by the Lathrup Village

Clerk's office and they will be forwarded to Butzel Law Firm and an updated opinion letter will be

issued to the city.

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7. Motion to remove item from the table

Motion by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Medley to remove the item from the table

to receive legal opinion and implement recommendation therein.

Ayes: Baker, Medley, Talley

No: None

Motion carried.

8. Action Requests - For Consideration / Approval

A. RECEIVE LEGAL OPINION AND IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATION THEREIN

Motion by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Medley to remove Marvin Moore

from the November 2, 2021 ballot because he did not fill in the citizenship question on the

Affidavit of Identity.

Ayes: Baker, Medley, Talley

No: None

Motion carried.

9. Public Comments

Barbara Kenez – 19115 Glenwood Blvd. - There were things that were overlooked and asked if the

Clerk reviewed the paperwork.

Mayor Mykale Garrett stated- City Clerk is not to give legal advice. Candidates are responsible to read

everything in its entirety.

Greg Ruvolo – 27641 Lathrup Blvd. - suggested the Affidavit of Identity form be revised.

Ian Ferguson – stated it is not okay that the outside legal counsel missed the problem with the

citizenship question.

Butzel Law Firm gave an overview of their findings and will give an updated legal opinion letter after

they receive the affidavit of Identity for Karen Miller, Greg Ruvolo and Barbara Kenez.

Commissioner Dawn Medley – Asked everyone to work together.

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10. Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Council member Medley to adjourn this meeting.

Ayes: Baker, Medley, Talley

No: None

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Yvette Talley, City Clerk