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Electronic Recording Commission

May 15, 2013

Lake Superior Room, 1st Floor, Michigan Library and Historical Center
702 W. Kalamazoo, Lansing, Michigan.

Board Members Present: Diane Adams, Chair Mary Hollinrake, Linda Landheer, Christian Meyer, Deputy Chair Bambi Somerlott, Thomas Richardson

Board Members Absent and Excused: Alessandro DiNello, Joyce Van Coevering (John Nixon's designee)

Also in attendance: Jerome Czaja, Chief Deputy Register, Kent County; Barbara Johnson, Chief Deputy Register of Deeds, Wayne County; Deborah Stevens

I. CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was called to order by the Chair M. Hollinrake at 10:02 a.m. A quorum was present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Motion: to approve the minutes of Feb. 20, 2012.

Moved: D. Adams

Second: B. Somerlott

Passed: Unanimously

III. PUBLIC HEARING

Motion: to move into the public hearing session at 10:05 a.m.

Moved: D. Adams

Second: B. Somerlott

Passed: Unanimously

M. Hollinrake opened the meeting to hear public comments on the proposed draft standards. She noted that written comments had been received from the American Land Title Association; the Michigan Land Title Association; the Michigan Bankers Association; the Real Property Law Section, Titles and Conveyancing Committee,

Michigan Bar Association including informal comments by individual members; and the Wayne County Register of Deeds.

M. Hollinrake recognized Barbara Johnson, Chief Deputy Register of Deeds, Wayne County. B. Johnson acknowledged the effort to produce statewide standards but expressed concern that some items might impact the constitutional discretion of registers and opined that some items should be permissive actions. She further explained the comments sent on behalf of Wayne County.

M. Hollinrake expressed appreciation for all comments submitted.

Motion: to close the public hearing at 10:40 a.m. and return to the general meeting.

Moved: D. Adams Second: L. Landheer
Passed: Unanimously

IV. FURTHER DISCUSSION OF COMMENTS.

The Commission carefully considered each question and comment. While many related to the operation of an individual Register of Deeds office which was beyond the scope of the standards, others were noted for further clarification. These included that business rules would not be impacted, that Appendix B was included as an explanation of the models, and that the system selected must e-respond.

V. NEXT STEPS

M. Hollinrake will review the comments and edit the draft standards, calling upon other members to help craft language. The Commission felt revised draft standards should be made available no later than the end of June to allow time for interested organizations to review and respond by the August meeting.

If no adverse comments are received after the revised draft is published, the standards may be adopted at the August meeting. If additional modifications are required, the standards could still be approved at the November meeting with an effective date of January 1, 2014.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

The next scheduled meeting is August 21, 2013 in the Lake Superior Room at the Michigan Library and Historical Center.

VII. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved: T. Richardson Second: C. Meyer
Motion: to adjourn the commission meeting
Passed: Unanimously.

The commission meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah A. Stevens

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