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Electronic Recording Commission

August 19, 2019

Vehicle and Travel Services Building
6951 Crowner Dr., Lansing, Michigan, 48821.

Commission Members Present: Brandon Denby, Sherri Irwin, Christian Meyer, Patricia Niepoth, Chair Justin Roebuck,

Excused: Donna Krall, Tom Richardson, Teresa Walker

Also in attendance: Jerome Czaja, Chief Deputy Register, Kent County; Rachel Sanchez, Chief Deputy Register, Ottawa County; and Deborah Stevens, Recording Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was called to order by the Chair J. Roebuck at 11:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.
Motion: to approve the minutes of June 18, 2019.

Moved: C. Meyer Second: P. Niepoth Passed: Unanimously

III. RE-WRITE OF CURRENT E-RECORDING STANDARDS INCLUDING E-NOTARIZATION
Numerous issues were discussed. One was the meaning of "acceptance and use" of e-notary documents. Another was the papering out option when original documents are electronic.

The Commission desired to have an update from the Secretary of State (SOS) on their vendor selection process. They expressed concern about a lack of clear standards for a product other than contracting with Freddie Mac. Whether SOS expects the ERC to define a process for papering out was another issue.

Proposed edits in the electronic recording standards were reviewed and discussed. The issue of a Michigan notary public signing a true copy was discussed from a number of perspectives. Inclusion of an attesting statement was mentioned.

C. Meyer noted that any language used should speak for itself. He will draft an option and template for papering out.

The meeting recessed at 12:15 p.m. and resumed at 12:33 p.m.

At the next meeting, changes should be finalized, and a process for a public hearing established.

VI. NEXT MEETING DATE

The remaining 2019 meetings are scheduled for October 1 and December 3, 2019.

VII. ADJOURNMENT.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deborah A. Stevens". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "D".

Deborah A. Stevens
Recording Secretary