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DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LANSING

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DIRECTOR

STATE BOUNDARY COMMISSION
Ottawa Building, Upper Level Conference Room 4
611 West Ottawa Street
Lansing, Michigan 48933

MINUTES
February 14, 2024
10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Robin Beltramini, Chairperson
Richard Datema
Linda Preston
Francis Grohnert – Washtenaw County Member
Ryan Sweeney – Washtenaw County Member
Barbara Yockey – Lapeer County Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ATTENDING

Keith Lambert, Deputy Bureau Director, Administration, BCC
Renee Tober, Departmental Specialist, Administration, BCC
Jean Smydra, Departmental Analyst, Office of Land Survey and Remonumentation, BCC
Tracie Pack, Departmental Analyst, Administrative Section, BCC
Lakisha Thomas, Departmental Technician, Operations Section, BCC
Patrick Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Attorney General
Emily Zillgitt, Assistant Attorney General, Department of the Attorney General

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Commissioner Beltramini called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. A quorum was present at that time.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Preston and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Datema to approve the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. August 23, 2023

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Datema and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Preston to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2023, meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Chairperson Beltramini informed all County Commissioners present they are only to comment and decide on petitions in their respective counties.

4. PETITION – LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW

A. Petition No. 23-AP-04 Village of Lockport to City of Three Rivers

The Commission acknowledged receipt and reviewed Petition No. 23-AP-04 for annexation of land area in the Township of Lockport to City of Three Rivers in accordance with MCL 123.1009.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Preston and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Datema to approve Petition No. 23-AP-04 for annexation of land area in the Township of Lockport to City of Three Rivers to be legally sufficient. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. PETITION – RECOMMENDATION REVIEW

A. 21-AP-01 – Township of Lapeer to City of Lapeer

The State and Lapeer County Commissioners acknowledged receipt and reviewed Petition No. 21-AP-01 for annexation of land area in the Township of Lapeer to City of Lapeer in accordance with MCL 123.1009.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Yockey and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Preston to recommend denial of Petition No 21-AP-01 by the Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs due to reasons stated at the public hearing, due to the Township of Lapeer, City of Lapeer and their residents not being in favor of the annexation, and due to the developer failing to move forward after being granted a previous annexation. Pursuant to Executive Reorganization Order 1996-2, this denial is contingent on the concurrence of the Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Chairperson Beltramini dismissed the Lapeer County Commissioner present during the Recommendation Review of the Lapeer County petition.

B. Petition No. 22-AP-01 Township of Lodi to City of Saline

The State and Washtenaw County Commissioners acknowledged receipt and reviewed Petition No. 22-AP-01 for annexation of land area in the Township of Lodi to City of Saline in accordance with MCL 123.1009.

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Sweeney and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Grohnert to recommend approval of Petition No 22-AP-01 by the Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs due to the master plan of both municipalities contemplating annexation of the property, the property is contiguous on three (3) sides, the City of Saline provides services without compensation and stands ready to meet the needs of the multi-family development, the Township of Lodi cannot provide services and has had sufficient time to process the 425 agreement. Pursuant to Executive Reorganization Order 1996-2, this approval is contingent on the concurrence of the Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. **MOTION CARRIED ANIMOUSLY.**

Chairperson Beltramini dismissed the Washtenaw County Commissioners present during the Recommendation Review of the Washtenaw County petition.

Additional discussion was had regarding dates for the scheduling of the public hearing for Item 4A. Petition No. 23-AP-04 Village of Lockport to City of Three Rivers

A **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Beltramini and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Preston to direct Bureau staff to work with the Village of Lockport and the City of Three Rivers to find acceptable locations and dates for a public hearing and to make the Commission aware if the hearing date falls before the next Commission meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

8. **BUREAU QUARTERLY REPORT**

Director Lambert reported on the following:

Tony Snyder has taken another state position and is no longer able to provide internal legal assistance to the bureau.

Shannon Maurer is the new manager for the Bureau's Operations Section as Bryan Bryson accepted a new position outside of LARA. Lakisha Thomas is one of the new departmental technicians handling boards and commissions for the Operations Section.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE – APRIL 24, 2024

The Board is scheduled to meet next at 10:00 a.m. at 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, MI 48933 in Upper Level Conference Room 3 on April 24, 2024.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Datema and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Preston to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**