

# Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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**Tuesday, August 31, 2021**

**10:11 AM – 4:19 PM**

**at**

**Cadillac Place, L150 Room**

**3044 West Grand Blvd**

**Detroit, MI 48202**

## MINUTES

### **PRESENT:**

Douglas James Clark

Juanita Curry

Anthony Eid

Brittni Kellom (*joined the meeting at 10:30 AM*)

Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)

Steven Terry Lett

Cynthia Orton

MC Rothhorn

Janice Vallette

Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)

Richard Weiss

Dustin Joseph Witjes

### **ABSENT:**

Rebecca Szetela

### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Suann Hammersmith, Executive Director

Julianne V. Pastula, General Counsel

Edward Woods III, Communications and Outreach Director

Michigan Department of State ("MDOS") staff

## **CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

MDOS staff, as the representative of the Secretary to the Commission, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 10:11 AM.

Pursuant to Section 7.4.1(F) of the Rules of Procedure, MDOS staff conducted an election for an Acting Chair.

**MOTION:** Appoint Steve Lett as the Acting Chair. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Orton. A vote was held by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

## **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

*Commissioner Curry left the meeting at 10:51 AM and returned at 10:56 AM.*

*Commissioner Lett left at 11:27AM and returned at 11:32 AM.*

*Commissioner Vallette left at 11:33AM and returned at 11:36 AM.*

*Commissioner Kellom joined the meeting at 10:30 AM, and left at 4:07 PM and returned at 4:10 PM.*

## **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Lett, Acting-Chair, called for a motion to approve the agenda. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Curry. Commissioner Lett, Acting-Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS**

Commissioner Lett, Acting-Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. One individual provided in-person public comment: Jamiel Martin. Three individuals provided remote public comment: James Gallant, Michael Segrist, Judy Daubenmier.

A full inventory of live and written public comment is available at [www.michigan.gov/micrc](http://www.michigan.gov/micrc)

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Review of Maps Drafted at the Prior Meeting and any Alternative Proposed Drafts. The Commission held a discussion on the lakeshore area of the Southwest region.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Draft Mapping – West Region State House and Senate or Communities of Interest Consideration of Regions in which Maps Have Been Drafted (whenever the COI overlay is available). The Commission began mapping State Senate districts in the West region.

## **RECESS**

At 12:00 PM, Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion “to recess for 75 minutes until 1:15 PM” which was adopted.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 1:19 PM.

## **PRESENT:**

Douglas James Clark  
Juanita Curry  
Anthony Eid  
Brittni Kellom  
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)  
Steven Terry Lett  
Cynthia Orton  
MC Rothhorn  
Janice Vallette  
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)  
Richard Weiss  
Dustin Joseph Witjes

## **ABSENT:**

Rebecca Szetela

## **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

## **NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

- a. Draft Mapping – West Region State House and Senate or Communities of Interest Consideration of Regions in which Maps Have Been Drafted (whenever the COI overlay is available). The Commission continued drafting State Senate and State House Districts in the West region.

## **RECESS**

At 3:15 PM, Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion “to recess for fifteen minutes until 3:30 PM”.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 3:30 PM.

## **PRESENT:**

Douglas James Clark  
Juanita Curry  
Anthony Eid  
Brittini Kellom  
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)  
Steven Terry Lett  
Cynthia Orton  
MC Rothhorn  
Janice Vallette  
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)  
Richard Weiss  
Dustin Joseph Witjes

## **ABSENT:**

Rebecca Szetela

## **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

## **NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

- a. Draft Mapping – West Region State House and Senate or Communities of Interest Consideration of Regions in which Maps Have Been Drafted (whenever the COI overlay is available). The Commission continued drafting State Senate and State House Districts in the West region.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – AUGUST 19**

Commissioners discussed the review and approval of the August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. The Commission offered no edits.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 19th. **Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Witjes. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

## **STAFF REPORTS**

There were no staff reports.

## **MDOS UPDATES**

There were no updates.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no discussion on correspondence. All correspondence received is included in the public comment provided to the Commission.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There are no future agenda items.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called for a motion to adjourn.

**MOTION:** Adjourn the Meeting. **Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Orton. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED**  
**Voting No: Commissioner Lange**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:19 PM.