

**MINUTES  
LANSING CITY BOARD OF ETHICS  
REGULAR MEETING  
February 10, 2026, 5:30 PM**

Meeting Room  
Lansing Elections Office  
701 W Jolly Rd Lansing

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jim DeLine, Chairperson  
Rachelle Franklin, Vice Chairperson  
Charles Filice  
Jim Cavanagh  
Luna Brown  
Keith Kris

**ABSENT:** Janielle Houston, Excused  
R Cole Bouck, Excused

**A QUORUM WAS PRESENT**

**Moved** by Keith Kris to excuse the absence of Janielle Houston and Cole Bouck

**MOTION CARRIED**

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Madeline Jump, member of the public  
Brian P Jackson, City Clerk's Office  
Patrick Abood, City Attorney's Office

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**Moved** by Charles Filice to approve the agenda

**MOTION CARRIED**

## SECRETARY'S REPORT:

### Approval of Minutes

**Moved** by Keith Kris to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2026 as submitted.

## MOTION CARRIED

## NEW BUSINESS:

1. Affidavit of Disclosure, William Tervo,                      Lansing Police Department

**Moved** by Rachelle Franklin to place William Tervo's Affidavit of Disclosure on file, having found no violation of the Ethics Ordinance at this time

## CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

### Review of [Ethics Ordinance Chapter 290](#)

**Moved** by Keith Kris that the Board of Ethics will draft a memo to send to Lansing City Council about the Ethics Ordinance.

## Motion Carried

Attorney Abood recommended that the Board of Ethics Members send individual suggestions or proposed edits to the Board Secretary. Those communications would be included in the next packet so members could review but not deliberate in violation of the Open Meeting Act.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Jackson asked that any communications be sent to him by Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> so Board members and the public will be able to review them in the published packet before the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Chairperson DeLine requested that Chief Deputy City Clerk Jackson reach out to the two absent members to make sure they are aware of the motion and procedure.

## Closed Session

**Moved** by Jim Cavanagh, pursuant to MCL 15.268(h) of the Open Meetings Act, that the Board recess into closed session to consult with the City Attorney to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state statute. Specifically, to discuss written legal opinions from the City Attorney provided under attorney-client privilege and attorney work-product, and which is also exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act pursuant to MCL 15.243(1) (g).

For this session, the topic is Complaint 2026-01.

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

The Board entered closed session at approximately 6:00 PM

The Board rose into open session at approximately 6:15 PM

**Moved** by Jim Cavanagh that the Board of Ethics has reviewed Complaint 2026-01 and the Analysis and Conclusion of Complaint 2026-01 provided by the City Attorney.

After careful deliberation, we accept the conclusion that there was no violation of the Ethics Ordinance and the complaint fell outside the jurisdiction of the Board of Ethics.

**Motion Carried**

**CHAIR'S REPORT:** None.

**TABLED ITEMS:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Statement of Financial Interests, Deya Nevarez Martinez, City Council

No response received.

Statement of Financial Interests, Clara Martinez, City Council

Response received.

**Moved** by Keith Kris to place Clara Martinez's Statements of Financial Interests on file, having found no violation of the Ethics Ordinance at this time.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNED** 6:20 p.m.

**Moved** by Jim Cavanagh to adjourn.

**Motion Carried.**