

**MINUTES
LANSING CITY BOARD OF ETHICS
REGULAR MEETING
October 8, 2024 5:30 PM**

Meeting Room
Reo Elections Office
1221 Reo Rd Lansing

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jim DeLine, Chairperson
Keith Kris
Rachelle Franklin
Janielle Houston
Jim Cavanagh

ABSENT: John Folkers - Excused
Louise Alderson - Excused
R Cole Bouck - Excused

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chris Swope, City Clerk
Brian P Jackson, City Clerk's Office
Joe Abood, City Attorney's Office
Katherine Nichols-Leindecker, City Attorney's Office

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Keith Kris to approve the agenda

Motion Carried

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Keith Kris to approve the Minutes of September 10, 2024 as submitted.

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Affidavit of Disclosure, Nick Hughett, Lansing Police Department

Jim Cavanagh noted that Nick Hughett did not mark “yes” in any boxes on question 2 to explain why the disclosure was made.

Moved by Rachelle Franklin to place Nick Hughett’s, Statement of Financial Interest on file, having found no violation of the Ethics Ordinance at this time.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Affidavit of Disclosure, Randy Watkins, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Board

Moved by Jim Cavanagh to recuse himself from voting since he has a friendship with Mr. Watkins.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Kieth Kris to table Randy Watkins’ Affidavit of Disclosure due to a lack of quorum to act.

MOTION CARRIED

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT:

Katherine Nichols-Leindecker gave an introduction of herself as he has been recently hired and assigned to the Ethics Board to serve as legal counsel.

CHAIR’S REPORT:

Chairperson thanked Cole for joining him at the Ethics Conference and will provide a review of the Conference at a future meeting.

TABLED ITEMS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Regional Ethics Conference 2024

A report about the conference will be provided at a future meeting, and Vice-Chairperson Bouck’s summary will be provided to the Ethics Board members.

ADJOURNED 5:55 p.m.