

**VILLAGE OF LOCH LLOYD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
April 23, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes**

**THE VILLAGE OF LOCH LLOYD BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET IN SPECIAL SESSION ON APRIL 23, 2025 IN THE BANQUET ROOM OF THE LOCH LLOYD COUNTRY CLUB LOCATED AT 16750 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE, VILLAGE OF LOCH LLOYD, MISSOURI. MEMBERS PRESENT INCLUDED TRUSTEE ELSBERRY, TRUSTEE/CLERK LAFATA, TRUSTEE WITHEY, TRUSTEE WORSTELL-BENJAMIN, AND TRUSTEE MURPHY. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WAS VILLAGE ATTORNEY ZERR.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Village Attorney Zerr requested indulgence from the Board to call the meeting to order and conduct business to the point of electing a new Chairman. With no objections, Village Attorney called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Village Attorney Zerr conducted a roll call of trustees in attendance for confirmation of quorum. Full Board present.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was presented on the agenda for consideration.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Electing Interim Chairperson**

Village Attorney Zerr then opened the floor for nomination of any individual members of the Board to serve as Chairperson. Village Attorney Zerr recognized Trustee Withey who nominated Trustee Elsberry to serve as interim Chairman. Village Attorney Zerr then recognized Trustee Elsberry who accepted the nomination. Village Attorney Zerr then inquired as to other nominations for Chairperson. Village Attorney Zerr recognized Trustee Murphy who commented on his understanding that the Chair position would be interim in nature pending the outcome of the runoff election on June 3, 2025. No objections raised by the other members of the Board of Trustees. There being no further nominations from the floor, Village Attorney Zerr called for vote.

Election of Chairman Elsberry passed unanimously 5-0, no objections, no abstentions.

With election of Chairman Elsberry, Village Attorney Zerr yielded the gavel and further conduct of the meeting.

## **b. Electing Clerk**

Chairman Elsberry then opened the floor for nomination of any individual members of the Board to serve as Clerk. Chairman Elsberry recognized Trustee Worstell-Benjamin who nominated Trustee Lafata to serve as interim Clerk. Chairman Elsberry then recognized Trustee Lafata who accepted the nomination. Chairman Elsberry then inquired as to other nominations for Clerk. There being no further nominations from the floor, Chairman Elsberry called for vote.

Election of Clerk Lafata passed unanimously 5-0, no objections, no abstentions.

## **c. Set Next Legislative Meeting**

Trustee Withey inquired as to the addition of new business despite not being included on the published agenda. Village Attorney Zerr cautioned against additional legislative action being taken by the new board in light of the fact that no additional items were published or posted for the public to be made aware. Chairman Elsberry indicated his willingness to entertain discussions, but that no legislative actions would be undertaken.

Chairman Elsberry commented that a legislative meeting would be needed in the interim before the runoff election on June 3, including vacancies on boards and commissions. Chairman Elsberry recognized Trustee Murphy who suggested that any board and commission vacancies could be undertaken after the June 3 election. Additional comments ensued between Trustee Withey and Clerk Lafata regarding pending applications for consideration by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Village Attorney Zerr commented that by law, the current members of the Planning and Zoning Commission will continue to serve, despite the expiration of their terms, until such time as their replacements are seated. Trustee Withey commented on the ability of the Chairman to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Motion made by Trustee Murphy that the Board refrain from taking action to replace individuals or fill vacancies on the Planning and Zoning Commission until after the June runoff election. Trustee Lafata seconded the motion. There being no further discussion on the motion, Chairman Elsberry called the vote.

Elsberry	Nay
Worstell-Benjamin	Nay
Withey	Nay
Lafata	Yea
Murphy	Yea

The vote was 2 in favor, 3 against. Motion failed.

Chairman Elsberry inquired of Clerk Lafata as to availability of the banquet room in the upcoming weeks. Clerk Lafata indicated that he did not and would need to inquire of the Country Club staff for the same. Chairman Elsberry instructed Clerk Lafata to do so and to relay available dates via email so that they could issue adequate notice for the same. Chairman Elsberry instructed Clerk Lafata to solicit applications for the Planning and Zoning Commission. Chairman Elsberry provided further details to Clerk Lafata on the items to be included on the

next legislative agenda including the appointment of a zoning administrator, discussion of the appointment of a Village Treasurer.

Chairman Elsberry then inquired of Village Attorney Zerr as to his authority to call a meeting of the Board without the vote of the other Trustees. Village Attorney confirmed the same. Village Attorney Zerr provided further clarification on the instructions. Chairman Elsberry then tentatively set the next meeting for May 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. subject to alteration based upon the availability of the banquet room.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Elsberry recognized Trustee Murphy who motioned to adjourn. Chairman Elsberry then recognized Trustee Worstell-Benjamin who seconded the motion. There being no further discussion on the motion, Chairman Elsberry called the vote. Motion passed unanimously 5-0, no objections, no abstentions. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jonathan S. Zerr*

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