

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2024**

The Special Meeting of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Bob Monetza in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 519 Washington Ave.

Present: Council Members Mike Fritz, Karen Lowe, Kevin McLaughlin, Mayor Bob Monetza.

Absent: None.

Others Present: City Manager Ashley Latsch, City Clerk Maria Boersma, and Assistant City Manager Tim Price.

CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

The Grand Haven City Council completed a secret ballot process to rank each candidate 1-5 to help determine a new member. 1 meant the candidate was their top choice and 5 meant the candidate was their last choice.

Round 1: Erin Lyon 9 points, Ryan Galligan 10 points, Steve Skodack 15 points, Mike Dora 9 points, and James O'Neal 17 points.

As the top two choices, Erin Lyon and Mike Dora moved on to the next rounds of voting.

Rounds 2 – 4: Erin Lyon and Mike Dora each received 2 votes.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Jim Hagen, 400 Lake: Commented on the candidates for the City Council vacancy.

RECESS

Mayor Monetza recessed the meeting at 6:34 p.m. until August 28th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2024**

The Special Meeting of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order from recess at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Bob Monetza in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 519 Washington Ave.

Present: Council Members Mike Fritz, Karen Lowe, Kevin McLaughlin, Mayor Bob Monetza.

Absent: None.

Others Present: City Manager Ashley Latsch, City Clerk Maria Boersma, and Assistant City Manager Tim Price.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Dennis Scott, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Jeffrey Miller, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Jim Hagen, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Carol Lecquo, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Brittany Goode, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Tim Deeters: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Jeanne Sherman, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Don Kent, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Daryl Fischer, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Robyn Vandenberg, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Cyndi Crane, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Pete Walters, GH City Resident: Commented on the City Council Vacancy Candidates.

Mike Dora, GH City Resident: Commented on his candidacy for the vacant City Council seat.

CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

City Council completed another round of balloting that concluded with another 2-2 tie between Erin Lyon and Mike Dora. City Council members each discussed the merits of each candidate and why they chose their top choice candidate.

Council Member **McLaughlin** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to appoint Erin Lyon to fill the vacant City Council seat with a term ending in November 2025.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: McLaughlin, Lowe

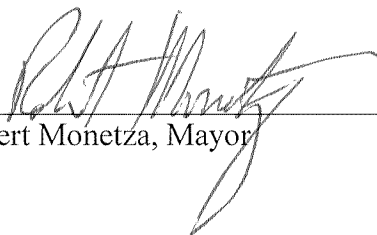
Nays: Fritz, Monetza.

This motion failed.


The meeting resulted with no consensus on a candidate to fill the vacant city council seat. City Council will discuss filling the vacancy one more time at the regularly scheduled September 3rd City Council meeting.

ADJOURN

Mayor Monetza adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.



Robert Monetza, Mayor



Maria Boersma, City Clerk