

**LAPEER CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 10, 2026**

A special meeting of the Lapeer City Commission was held August 10, 2026, at the Lapeer City Hall, 576 Liberty Park, Lapeer, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Hing.

Commissioners: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, McCarthy, Petrie.

Absent: None.

Also present: Acting City Manager Hanna, City Attorney Francis, City Clerk Sanchez.

Mayor Hing led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Leslie Getz commented on leadership.

Eric Gajewski commented about City Manager Womack.

Ken Kopnick commented about City Manager Womack.

Commissioner Brady raised a point of order. Mayor Hing ruled the point of order not well heard.

Appeal the ruling of the chair

Moved by Brady. Second by Atwood.

Appeal the ruling of the chair.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady.

Nays: Glisman, McCarthy, Petrie.

MOTION FAILED.

Mayor Hing ruled a member of the public out of order for speaking out of turn.

John DeAngelis commented on the canvass of the August Election and commented on employee exit interviews.

Sheila Mallon commented on City Manager Womack and the management style of the mayor.

Stephen Schwartz commented that the Commission should accept the City Manager's resignation with severance and attorney fee reimbursement to avoid costly litigation.

Gigi Griffith commented on the election and thanked all the election workers, and on the allegations related to the City Manager.

Karen Brashayko commented on City Manager Womack's response to the investigation.

Alexis Hanks commented on the Commission rules.

Heidi Helfer commented on the Bodman investigation and actions of the Commission.

Geraldine Carson commented on other public comments.

Kelly Nolan read previous comments made by Mayor Hing.

John Lyons commented on actions of the Commission.

Julie Fisk commented on the construction on Fox Street.

Wes Weber commented on social media algorithms and City Manager Womack.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

227 2026 08-10 CLOSED SESSION – ATTORNEY INVESTIGATION

MEMORANDUM

Moved by Petrie. Second by Glisman.

Enter into a Closed Session to consider the confidential, attorney-client privileged Attorney Investigation Memorandum prepared by the City's outside counsel, together with the City Manager's written response to it, as material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state statute, as permitted under Section 8(1)(h) of the Open Meetings Act (MCL 15.268(1)(h)).

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Glisman, McCarthy, Petrie.

Nays: Brady, Atwood.

MOTION FAILED.

Mr. Womack did not request to enter into a closed session.

Mayor Hing read an email statement from Kim Hodge into public comment.

Commissioner Petrie raised a point of order, a commissioner was using another Commissioner's first name. Mayor Hing ruled in favor that using a commissioner's first name is a violation of the Rules and Procedures of the Commission, D-6.

228 2026 08-10 TERMINATE CITY MANAGER

Moved by McCarthy. Second by Petrie.

To terminate Mr. Womack for cause, based on the findings from the investigation report, and direct the attorney and Mr. Womack's attorney to negotiate a settlement.

Commissioner Atwood raised a point of order. Mayor Hing ruled the point of order not well received.

Commissioner Atwood raised a point of inquiry.

Call the question

Moved by Glisman. Second by Brady.

To call the question.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Glisman, McCarthy, Petrie, Atwood, Brady.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Vote on main motion:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: None.

Nays: McCarthy, Petrie, Atwood, Brady, Glisman.

MOTION FAILED.

Commissioner Brady raised a point of order. Mayor Hing ruled the point of order not well received.

229 2026 08-10 ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF CITY MANAGER

Motion by Brady. Second by Atwood.

To accept the resignation of Mr. Womack, which was his previous negotiated settlement package and attorney fees.

Call the question

Moved by Atwood. Second by Brady.

To call the question.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Atwood, Brady.

Nays: Petrie, Glisman, McCarthy.

MOTION FAILED 2-3.

Commissioner Petrie raised a point of order, stating that Commissioner Brady's actions were dilatory. Mayor Hing sustained the point of order, citing *Robert's Rules of Order* § 19 and 43.

Commissioner Petrie raised a point of order. Mayor Hing sustained the point of order, ruling that Commissioner Brady was out of order because he did not have the floor.

230 2026 08-10 RECESS

Motion by Petrie. Second by McCarthy.

To take a 10-minute recess.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, McCarthy, Petrie.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED .

The Commission took a recess at 6:48 p.m. and returned to the special meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Vote on main motion:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Atwood, Brady.

Nays: Petrie, Glisman, McCarthy.

MOTION FAILED 2-3.

231 2026 08-10 CITY MANAGER

Moved by Glisman. Second by Atwood.

Postpone the disciplinary decision until August 24, 2026, and direct the attorneys to negotiate a settlement and set a special meeting for August 24, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Petrie raised a Point of Order. Mayor Hing sustained the Point of Order, ruling that the subject was not germane to the matter then under consideration.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Atwood, Glisman, McCarthy, Petrie.

Nays: Brady.

MOTION CARRIED 4-1.

232 2026 08-10 ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

Moved by McCarthy. Second by Atwood.

To continue the paid administrative leave until August 24, 2026, for City Manager Mike Womack.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Brady, Glisman, McCarthy, Petie, Atwood.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

233 2026 08-10 ACTING CITY MANAGER

Moved by Atwood. Second by Glisman.

To appoint Police Chief Howe as Acting City Manager, with the same stipend until August 24, 2026.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Glisman, McCarthy, Petrie, Atwood, Brady.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

234 2026 08-10 ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the special meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Jeremy Hing, Mayor

Romona Sanchez, City Clerk