

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS
MEETING OF JULY 25, 2018
CONFERENCE ROOM A
HILLIARD BUILDING
MASON, MICHIGAN

CANVASSERS PRESENT: Kathy Prout
Mary Kay Scullion
Joe Groff

CANVASSERS ABSENT: Ronald Owens

OTHERS PRESENT: Liz Noel, Elections/Clerk Coordinator
Patricia Grant, White Oak Township
Tammy Verchereau, Lansing Township
Mark Steinberg, Williamstown Township
Mandy Urquhart, Stockbridge Township

Meeting Called to Order

Chairperson Scullion called the July 25, 2018 meeting of the Board of Canvassers to order at 10:01 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Canvasser Groff, supported by Canvasser Prout, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
Absent: Canvasser Owens

Approval of Draft Minutes

Moved by Canvasser Prout, supported by Canvasser Groff, to approve the draft minutes of the following meetings:

- January 30, 2018
- February 27, 2018
- March 14, 2018
- March 21, 2018
- March 28, 2018

Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Canvasser Owens

Other Business

Canvasser Prout raised concerns after attending the Board of Canvassers Training, that ballot containers should have been certified by June 1, 2018 and it was now July 25, 2018. She stated she did not feel comfortable certifying ballot containers this late into 2018.

Chairperson Scullion stated the Board of Canvassers had made a good faith effort to certify all ballot containers before June 1. She further stated that many of the ballot containers being certified today, were new containers that were ordered after the other ballot containers were certified.

Chairperson Scullion stated that some municipalities were also unable to attend the previous meetings, and she believed they were not in violation of the Act, as the Board of Canvassers routinely certified new ballot containers in between elections through the years.

Discussion.

Canvasser Prout requested that in the future, she would like to push people to order their ballot containers earlier, as Clerks had an idea of what they would need, and that way the rule was being followed.

Chairperson Scullion stated it made sense to do that in the future, although the Board of Canvassers should also take into account some ballot containers were rejected during the certification process and their replacements might not be able to be approved until later. She further stated that going forward, they would make a good-faith effort to certify all ballot containers by June 1.

Certification of Ballot Containers

The Board of Canvassers commenced certifying ballot containers from the City of Lansing, Vevay Township, Stockbridge Township, Williamstown Township, White Oak Township, and Lansing Township.

Other Business, continued

Discussion.

Moved by Canvasser Groff, supported by Canvasser Prout, to request the replacement of Canvasser Owens.

A discussion ensued regarding the importance of having four active members of the Board of Canvassers.

Motion failed due to lack of bipartisan support. Ayes: Prout, Groff Nays: None
 Abstain: Scullion Absent: Owens

The Board of Canvassers requested the presence of four canvassers to canvass the August Primary Election.

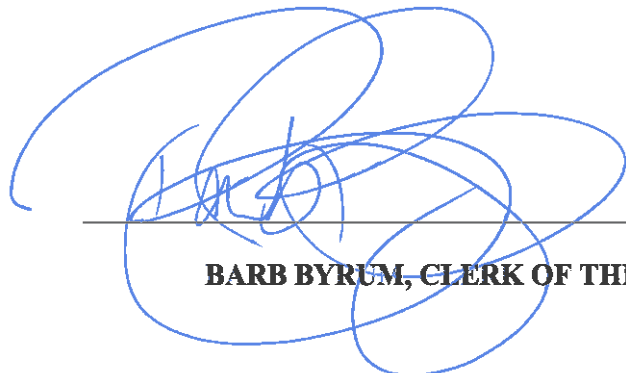
The Board of Canvassers requested the assistance of two additional people, one from each political party, to help the Ingham County Board of Canvassers canvass the November 6, 2018 General Election.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.



BARB BYRUM, CLERK OF THE BOARD