

**Ingham County Election Commission
Draft Minutes
February 25, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Ingham County Election Commission was called to order at 11:45 a.m. by Judge Garcia. The meeting was held in the Conference Room B at the Grady Porter Building in Lansing, MI.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barb Byrum, Ingham County Clerk
Richard Garcia, Chief Probate Judge
Eric Schertzing, Ingham County Treasurer

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Noel, Elections/Clerk Coordinator
Michelle Wright, Executive Assistant

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Treasurer Schertzing, supported by Clerk Byrum, to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2018 Election Commission Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approval of Ballots for the May 7, 2019 Election

Clerk Byrum stated that there were four school district ballot proposals on the May 7, 2019 ballots. She asked that part of the motion include her being able to make simple grammatical corrections on the ballots.

Moved by Judge Garcia, supported by Treasurer Schertzing, to approve the ballots for the May 7, 2019 Election, and to allow the Clerk to correct clerical errors.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Review of Precinct Consolidations for May 7, 2019 Election

Clerk Byrum stated that because it was only school elections taking place during the May 7, 2019 Election, consolidation could happen to create fewer precincts.

Discussion.

Elizabeth Noel stated that the most notable consolidations were the out-of-County precincts that would be consolidated to the City of Lansing.

Clerk Byrum stated that due to Proposal 3, local clerks would have to be open all day on election day.

Moved by Clerk Byrum, supported by Treasurer Schertzing, to approve the review of Precinct Consolidations for May 7, 2019 Election.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Public Comment

Clerk Byrum stated that she had reached out to Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson and Attorney General Dana Nessel about holding local clerks accountable for their failure to act or serve their voters. She further stated that she had relayed her concerns about one clerk in particular, and she looked forward to the opportunity to hold the individual accountable.

Discussion.

Adjournment

Judge Garcia stated that without objection, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:48 a.m.