

**INGHAM COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
MINUTES
MAY 31, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Ingham County Election Commission was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Treasurer Eric Schertzing. The meeting was held in the First Floor Conference Room at the Mason Historical Courthouse in Mason, MI.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barb Byrum, Ingham County Clerk
Eric Schertzing, Ingham County Treasurer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Garcia, Chief Probate Judge

OTHERS PRESENT: Robin Stites, Election/Clerk Coordinator

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Clerk Byrum, supported by Treasurer Schertzing, to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2016 Election Commission Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Judge Garcia.

Approval of Invoices:

Moved by Clerk Byrum, supported by Treasurer Schertzing, to approve payment of the invoices for the March 2016 Presidential Primary Election and the May 2016 Special Election.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Judge Garcia.

Approval of Ballots:

Moved by Clerk Byrum, supported by Treasurer Schertzing, to approve the ballots, and allow the Clerk's Office to make any changes deemed necessary, for the August 2016 State Primary.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Judge Garcia.

Clerk Byrum stated that there was a very specific timeline to produce a proof ballot which included April 19th for candidate filings, May 3rd for precinct delegate candidate filings, and May 10th for ballot proposals. She further stated that the proof ballot must be mailed to each candidate, including precinct delegate candidates, for review.

Clerk Byrum indicated this provided a very short window of opportunity to schedule a meeting of the Election Commission to approve the final proof ballot. She further indicated that the Election Commission meeting must comply with the Open Meetings Act.

Clerk Byrum stated that ballots must be available by June 18th for Military and Overseas voters. She indicated printing of the ballots would begin today or tomorrow in order to meet this deadline. She stated that the congressional candidate, Linda Keefe, was just removed from the ballot on May 26th by the State Board of Canvassers.

There was a discussion regarding the timeline to produce a proof ballot for approval.

Public Comment:

None.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.



Barb Byrum, Ingham County Clerk