MINUTES OF MEETING
WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2021 – 11:00 A.M.
RALPH VIGLIOTTI BLDG.
1900 E. JEFFERSON, DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48207
Meeting held via zoom video conferencing

Call to Order: Chair Monica Palmer, Wayne County Board of Canvassers called the meeting to order at 11:03 A.M.

Members present: Monica Palmer, Chair
Mary Ellen Gurewitz, Vice-Chair
William Hartmann, Member
Richard Preuss, Member

Members absent: None

Also present: Gregory P. Mahar**,** Director, Wayne County Elections
Jennifer Redmond, Deputy Director, Wayne County Elections
Drew Van de Grift, Principal Attorney, Corporation Counsel
Rebecca A. Camargo, Assistant Corporation Counsel
En'Joli Conley, Administrative Assistant, Wayne County Elections
Edward McRae, Administrative Assistant, Wayne County Elections
Rueben Washington
Gina Avery-Walker
Melissa King

Caven West
Mia Stuckey
Susan Nash
Daniel Baxter
George Azzouz
Janice Winfrey
Donna Jean Lieder
Deanne Richter

Agenda item: **Consideration of Agenda approval.**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to adopt the agenda as submitted. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Agenda item: **Approval of Minutes of August 4, 2021**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion for approval of the meeting minutes of August 4, 2021. Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved for approval of the meeting minutes of August 4, 2021. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Agenda item: **Approval of Write-In name Variations**

Chair Palmer indicated a write in variation guide was provided to the Board for review and consideration.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variation for Jacob Elijah Johnson, write-in candidate for Mayor, City of Detroit.

1. JACOB JOHNSON

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve variation # 1as a vote for Jacob Elijah Johnson.
The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Cheryl Roshanna Webb, write-in candidate for Mayor, City of Detroit.

1. CHERYL WEBB	2. CHERY WEBB

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve variations # 1 & 2 as a vote for Cheryl Roshanna Webb.
The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Winnie Atieno Imbuchi, write-in candidate for Mayor, City of Detroit.

1. WINNIE IMBUCHI	2. WINNIE IMBACHI

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve variations # 1 & 2 as a vote for Winnie Atieno Imbuchi.
The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Kinda Anderson, write-in candidate for Clerk, City of Detroit.

1. MAKINI ANDERSON	11. ALINE ANDERSON	21. KINDA ADERSON
2. KINDA MAKINI	12. KINDA MAKINI ANRESON	22. KINDE ANDERSON
3. ANDERSON, KINDA	13. KINDA ANDERSO	23. KENDA ANDERSON
4. KINDA M. ANDERSON	14. KIND ANDERSON	24. KINDRA.
5. KINDA MAKINI ANDERSON	15. KIDA ANDERSA	25. KANDA ANDERSON
6. KEYDA ANDERSON	16. KINDA MAKINI ANDRESON	26. KNID. M. ANDERSON
7. LINA ANDERSON	17. AINDA MAKINI ANDRESON	27. KENDA MAKINI ANDERSON
8. ANDERSON	18. KINDA ANSWER	28. KINDA MAMKIN ANENDERSON
9. KINDA MAKANI ANDERSON	19. KINDA MAKINA ANDERSON ANDERSON	29. KINA A ANDASON
10. KINDA MIKINI ANDERSON	20. KINDA ANDERSEO	

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations # 1-5 as a vote for Kinda Anderson.
The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann asked if “Makini” was some sort of middle or maiden name. Jennifer Redmond, Deputy Director of Elections indicated that “Makini” was Ms. Anderson’s middle name.

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve variations # 9, 10 &12 as a vote for Kinda Anderson.
The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann moved to not approve variations #6, 7 & 8 as a vote for Kinda Anderson. The motion failed for a lack of support.

Discussion ensued between members of the Board and Corporation Counsel regarding what variations are acceptable for approval. Vice-Chair Gurewitz referred to a Supreme Court opinion regarding name variations and the use of first name only. Member Hartmann asked what was the determination regarding the use of last name only. She indicated that there was not a determination in the case of a last name only.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve variations # 6, 7, 8 & 11 as a vote for Kinda Anderson.
The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann moved to not approve name variations #15 & 18 as a vote for Kinda Anderson. The motion died for lack of support.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations #15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 & 23 as a vote for Kinda Anderson. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve variations # 25-29 as a vote for Kinda Anderson. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to not approve variation #24 as a vote for Kinda Anderson.
Ayes: Hartmann **Nays:** Palmer, Gurewitz, Preuss
Motion failed.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variation #24 as a vote for Kinda Anderson.
Ayes: Palmer, Gurewitz, Preuss **Nays:** Hartmann

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Oneita Jackson, write-in candidate for City Council At-Large, City of Detroit.

1. ONIETA JACKSON	2. ONITA JACKSON

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve write in variations #1 & 2 as a vote for Oneita Jackson. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Debra Jean Eddington-Loper, write-in candidate for City Council At-Large, City of Detroit.

1. DEBRA EDINGTON	2. DEBRA EDDINGTON	3. DEBRA J. EDDINGTON

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve write in variations #1-3 as a vote for Debra Jean Eddington-Loper. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Royce Kinniebrew, write-in candidate for City Council At-Large, City of Detroit.

1. ROYCE KINNEBREW	2. ROYCE KINNIBREW	3. ROYCE KINIBREW
4. ROYCE KENNIBREW	5. ROYCE KENNIBREU	

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve write in variations #1-5 as a vote for Royce Kinniebrew. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Ericka Gale Murria, write-in candidate for City Council District #7, City of Detroit.

1. ERICKA MURRIA	2. ERICA MURRIA

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve write in variations #1& 2 as a vote for Ericka Gale Murria. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Reba Michelle Neely, write-in candidate for City Council District #7, City of Detroit.

1. REVA NEELY	2. REBA NEELY	3. REBA NEELEY

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve write in variations #1-3 as a vote for Reba Michelle Neely. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Robert Dunlap, write-in candidate for City Council District #7, City of Detroit.

1. ROBERT DUNLOP	2. DUNLAP

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write in variations #1& 2 as a vote for Robert Dunlap. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variation for Temeko Manica, write-in candidate for City Council District #1, City of Highland Park.

1. TEMAKO MANIEA

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve write in variation #1as a vote for Temeko Manica. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Christie Hope Clancy, write-in candidate for Mayor, City of Taylor.

1. CHRISTIE CANCY	2. CHRISTIE CLANCY

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write in variations #1& 2 as a vote for Christie Hope Clancy. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Charles Howard Johnson, write-in candidate for City Council, City of Taylor.

1. CHARLES JOHNSON	11. CHARLEY JOHNSTON	21. CHARLIE JOHSON
2. CHARLIE JOHNSON	12. CHUCK JOHNSON	22. CARLIE JOHNSON
3. CHARLEY JOHNSON	13. CHARLES JOHSON	23. CHRLY JOSHSON
4. CHARLY JOHNSON	14. JOHNSON	24. CHALIE JOHNSON
5. CHARLEY	15. CHARLIE JOHNSIN	25. CHARLIEY JOHNSON
6. CHARELS JOHNSON	16. CHARLE JOHNSON	26. CHARLIE JOHNSTON
7. CHARLE JOHNSONS	17. CHARLEY JONSON	27. CHARLEE JOHNSON
8. CHARLIZ JOHNSOO	18. CHARLEY JONES	28. MR. CHARLEY JOHNSON
9. CHARLY JVOSTO	19. CHRLEY JOHNSON	29. JOHNSON CHARLIE
10. CHARLES JOHNSOS	20. C. JOHNSON	30. CHARLIE JHANSON

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve write in variations #1-4 as a vote for Charles Howard Johnson. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Chair Palmer, moved to approve write-in variations #5-8 as a vote for Charles Howard Johnson. **Ayes:** Palmer, Gurewitz, Preuss **Nays:** Hartmann

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations #10-17 as a vote for Charles Howard Johnson. **Ayes:** Palmer, Gurewitz, Preuss **Nays:** Hartmann

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations #19-30 as a vote for Charles Howard Johnson. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to not approve write-in variations #9 & 18 as a vote for Charles Howard Johnson.
Ayes: Hartmann, Preuss **Nays:** Palmer, Gurewitz
Motion Failed.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations #9 & 18 as a vote for Charles Howard Johnson. **Ayes:** Palmer, Gurewitz, Preuss **Nays:** Hartmann

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Caroline Patts, write-in candidate for City Council, City of Taylor.

1. CARDLINE PATTS	11. CALOINE PATTS	21. CAROLYNN PATTS
2. CAROLINE PATT	12. CAROL PATT'S	22. CAROLIN PATTS
3. CAROLYN PATTS	13. CAROLINE PF PATTS	23. CAROLINE CRADDOCK PATTS
4. CAROL PATTS	14. C PATTS	24. CAROLINE PATTERSON
5. PATTS	15. PRATTS	25. CAROL PRATT
6. CHRIS PRATT	16. CAROLYN PRATT	26. ROSE PATTS
7. CARLOIR PATTS	17. CAROLINA PRTT	27. CAROLINE PRATT
8. CAROTINE PATTS	18. CARDINE CRADDOCK POTTS	28. CAROLINE PATTS CRADDOC
9. CALALINE PATTS	19. CAROLIE RUDDAK PATTS	29. CAROLINE CRADDOC-PATTS
10. CAROLINE PRATTS	20. CARLINE PATTS	

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve write in variations #1-5 as a vote for Caroline Patts. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations #7 & 14 as a vote for Caroline Patts. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann asked elections staff if "Craddock" was a middle name for Ms. Patts.

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations # 15, 16, 17, 20, 21 & 22 as a vote for Caroline Patts. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Ms. Redmond advised that according to the Qualified Voter File, the middle name for Ms. Patts is "Ilene".

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations #18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28 & 29 as a vote for Caroline Patts. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to not approve write-in variation #26 as a vote for Caroline Patts.

Ayes: Hartmann, Preuss **Nays:** Palmer, Gurewitz
Motion Failed.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations #6 & 26 as a vote for Caroline Patts.
Ayes: Palmer, Gurewitz, Preuss **Nays:** Hartmann

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr., write-in candidate for City Council, City of Taylor.

1. RICK SOLLARS	14. RICK SOLLORS	27. RICK SOLLAS
2. RICHARD SOLLARS	15. TIM SOLLARS	28. SILLARS
3. SOLLARS	16. RICK SALLARS	29. RICHARD "RICK" SOLLARS
4. RICK SOLARS	17. SCHOLLARS	30. RICK SOLLEY
5. RICK SOLLACE	18. MR. RICK SOLLARS	31. SOLLAR RICK SOLLAR
6. RICK SOLLAR	19. SOLARS	32. JEFF SOLLARS
7. R. SOLLARS	20. RICK SOLAR	33. MAYOR RICK SOLLARS
8. RICH SOLLARS	21. SOLLARDS	34. RICK STOLARS
9. RICH SOLLERS	22. RIKK SOLLORS	35. RICK SCHOLLARS
10. RICK SOLLARDS	23. RICK SORELL	36. RICK SOLAR
11. RICK SOLLAS	24. RICK SOLLARD	37. SALORS
12. SOLLAR	25. RICK SOLVEES	38. ROBERT SOLLARS
13. RICK SOLLERS	26. RICK	

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to not approve write-in variation #1-14 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Chair Palmer, moved to approve write-in variations # 15-25 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Ms. Redmond indicated that there is a typo on the guide that was provided to the Board. She indicated that Mr. Sollars is a write in candidate for Mayor, not City Council. Chair Palmer asked corporation counsel if the Board needed to go back and amend the votes to reflect the correct office. Corporation Counsel Van de Grift indicated that was not necessary as the correction was made on the record.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations # 26-38 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr.
Ayes: Palmer, Gurewitz, Preuss **Nays:** Hartmann

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion regarding the name variations for Daniel A. Bzura, write-in candidate for City Council, City of Taylor.

1. BZURA	8. GREG BZURA	15. DAN BUZURA
2. DAN BZURA	9. BUZURA	16. DAN BUZA
3. DANIEL BZURA	10. CRAG BUZA	17. DANIEL BZYRA
4. SAN BZURA	11. DAN BURZA	18. DAVE BZURA
5. DAN DEBUM	12. DAN BAZURA	19. DON BZURA
6. DAN BUMURA	13. DANNY BZURA	20. GREG BAZURA
7. DAN BURZUA	14. BURZA	

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to approve write-in variations # 1-4 as a vote for Daniel A. Bzura. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to not approve write-in variations # 5 as a vote for Daniel A. Bzura. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve write-in variations # 6-20 as a vote for Daniel A. Bzura. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Agenda item: **Certification of the August 3, 2021 Primary Election**

Chair Palmer requested a staff report regarding the canvass of the election. Director Mahar requested a short recess so staff could update the write-in numbers based on the Board's determinations.

****Meeting recessed at 11:55 a.m.****

****Meeting re-convened at 12:17 p.m.****

Director Mahar thanked the canvass assistants and canvassers for their hard work during the canvass. Mr. Mahar reported that the canvass of this election went fairly smoothly. There were no major out of balance issues and for the first time in a while the canvass did not have to re-tabulate any ballots, however, there were a few precincts that required a re-tallying of write-in votes.

Director Mahar provided a copy of the canvass report to the Board and read the report for the record.

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer thanked Mr. Mahar for the report and thanked the canvass assistants for always doing an incredible job. Chair Palmer requested a motion for Certification of the August 3, 2021 Primary Election. Member Hartmann, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to approve the certification of the August 3, 2021 Primary Election. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Agenda item: **Ballot Container Certification**

Director Mahar indicated that there were a few communities that required new ballot and transfer containers to be approved ahead of the November General Election. He also advised that Wayne County Elections had purchased new media bags that would also require certification. There were representatives from Grosse Pointe Farms, Livonia, and Westland in attendance to have their containers certified. Chair Palmer indicated the Board would take a brief recess to inspect the containers.

****Meeting recessed at 12:28 p.m.****

****Meeting re-convened at 1:22 p.m.****

Agenda item: **New Business.** None

Agenda item: **Public Comment**

Detroit City Clerk Janice Winfrey thanks the canvass staff members, all the poll workers, and City of Detroit staff for working very hard to ensure a successful election.

Agenda item: **Adjournment.**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Palmer requested a motion to adjourn. Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Hartmann, moved to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote

Meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

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