MINUTES OF MEETING
WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.
RALPH VIGLIOTTI BLDG., 1900 E. JEFFERSON AVE.
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48207
Meeting held via Zoom Video Conferencing

Call to Order: Vice-Chair Mary Ellen Guerwitz, Wayne County Board of Canvassers called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

Members present: Mary Ellen Gurewitz, Vice-Chair
William Hartmann, Member (via Zoom)
Richard Preuss, Member
Robert Boyd, Member

Members absent: None.

Also present: Gregory P. Mahar, Director, Wayne County Elections
Jennifer Redmond, Deputy Director, Wayne County Elections
Kevin Kavanagh, Consultant, Wayne County Corporation Counsel
Libby Busdicker, Asst. Wayne County Corporation Counsel
Rebecca Camargo, Asst. Wayne County Corporation Counsel
Enjoli Conley, Admin. Assistant, Wayne County Elections
Edward McRae, Admin. Assistant, Wayne County Elections

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

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Member Preuss, duly supported by Vice-Chair Gurewitz, moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: **Approval of Minutes of August 31, 2021**

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion for approval of the meeting minutes of August 31, 2021. Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held August 31, 2021. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: **Approval to conduct the canvass of the November 2, 2021 General Election**

Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion for approval to conduct the canvass of the November 2, 2021 General Election. Member Preuss duly supported by Member Boyd, moved for approval to conduct the canvass of the November 2, 2021 General Election. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Gregory Mahar, Director of Elections, gave a staff report regarding the turnout of the election. He reported the number of precincts to be canvassed, the number of ballots cast throughout the county and the percentage of voter turnout. He advised the Board that there are twelve communities whose officers take office on the Monday following the Election. Mr. Mahar recommended the Board schedule a certification meeting for later in the day on Monday to allow the canvass to review those communities.

Agenda item: **New Business**

Board action on agenda item: The next board meeting was scheduled for Monday, November 8, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

Agenda Item: **Public Comment**. Member Hartmann indicated that there have been more news articles regarding the City of Detroit using unapproved ballot containers during the November 2020 Election. He requested an update from Corporation Counsel regarding this issue. Director Mahar stated that this was the first time this has been mentioned and asked if Member Hartmann could forward the article he was referring to.

Agenda Item: **Adjournment**.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair requested a motion for recess. Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Hartmann moved to recess the meeting. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Meeting recessed at 9:13 a.m.

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