MINUTES OF MEETING
WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021 – 4:00 P.M.
RALPH VIGLIOTTI BLDG.
1900 E. JEFFERSON, DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48207
Meeting held in-person & via zoom video conferencing

Call to Order: Vice-Chair Gurewitz, Wayne County Board of Canvassers called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Members present: Mary Ellen Gurewitz, Vice-Chair
Robert Boyd, Member
Richard Preuss, Member
Edward Haroutunian, Alternate Member

Members absent: William Hartmann (Excused)

Also present: Gregory P. Mahar**,** Director, Wayne County Elections
Jennifer Redmond, Deputy Director, Wayne County Elections
Rebecca A. Camargo, Assistant Wayne County Corporation Counsel
Libby Busdicker, Assistant Wayne County Corporation Counsel
En'Joli Conley, Administrative Assistant, Wayne County Elections
Edward McRae, Administrative Assistant, Wayne County Elections
Lisa Williams, Communications Director, Wayne County Clerk
Rose Jones
Doug Geiss
Mark Ashley Price

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

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Jennifer Redmond stated that item number six (6) of the agenda was amended to include the name of the communities the Board will be certifying today. Member Preuss, duly supported by Alternate Member Haroutunian, moved to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

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

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion for approval of the meeting minutes of November 4, 2021. Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved for

approval of the meeting minutes of November 4, 2021.
Aye: Gurewitz, Boyd, Preuss Abstained: Haroutunian

Agenda item: Approval of Write-In name Variations

Ms. Redmond indicated that the Board's assistants went through the poll books and gathered the name variations for candidates in the communities being certified today. The variations were combined in a report and presented to the Board for its consideration.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variation for Catherine Mary Henderson, write-in candidate for Charter Commission, City of Dearborn.

1. CATHERINE M. HENDERSON

Member Preuss, duly supported by Alternate Member Haroutunian, moved to approve variation # 1 as a vote for Catherine Mary Henderson. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variation for Robert Eugene Henderson, write-in candidate for Charter Commission, City of Dearborn.

1. ROBERT E. HENDERSON

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variation # 1 as a vote for Robert Eugene Henderson. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variations for Anthony John Camilleri, write-in candidate for Mayor, City of Dearborn Heights.

1. TONY CAMILARI
2. ANTHONY CAMILLERI
3. CAMILLERI

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variations # 1-3 as a vote for Anthony John Camilleri. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variations for Anthony John Camilleri,

write-in candidate for Mayor – partial term, City of Dearborn Heights.

1. TONY CAMILLERI
2. TONY CAMILLARI
3. ANTHONY CAMILLERI
4. CAMLLERI

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variations # 1-4 as a vote for Anthony John Camilleri. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variations for Zouher Abdel-Hak, write-in candidate for City Council – partial term 2021, City of Dearborn Heights.

1. ZOUHER ABEL HAK
2. ZOOHER ABDEL-HAK
3. ZOUHER ABDUL-HAK
4. ABDEL-HAK
5. ZOUHEIR ABDUL-HUKLE
6. ZOUHAIR ABDEL-HAK
7. ZUHEIR ABDUL-HAC

Alternate Member Haroutunain asked if there was another candidate with a similar name running in this race. Ms. Redmond indicated there was another candidate, but the names are nowhere similar.

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variations # 1-7 as a vote for Zouher Abdel-Hak. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variations for Joseph Louis Czapiewski, Jr., write-in candidate for City Council – partial term 2023, City of Dearborn Heights.

1. JOE CZAPIEWKI
2. JOSEPH LOUIS CAPIEWSKI
3. JOSEPH LEWIS CZAPIEWSKI
4. JOSEPH CZAPIEWSKI
5. JOSEPH L. CZAPIEWSKI, JR.

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variations # 1-5 as a vote for Joseph Louis Czapiewski, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variations for Kathleen Frances Pope, write-in candidate for Clerk - City of Gibraltar.

1. KATE POPE
2. KATIE POPE
3. POPE
4. CINDY POPE

Member Boyd asked whether there were any candidates with a similar name to this candidate. Ms. Redmond indicated this was the only write-in candidate.

Member Boyd, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations # 1-4 as a vote for Kathleen Frances Pope. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variations for Brian Thomas Arp, write-in candidate for Treasurer - City of Gibraltar.

1. BRIAN ARP
2. ARP
3. BRYAN
4. ARP, BRIAN
5. B. ARP
6. BRIEN ARP
7. BRIAN
8. BRAIN ARP
9. BRYAN ARP
10. MR. ARP
11. BRIAN ORB
12. BRIAN AARP
13. ARP (BRIAN)

Alternate Member Haroutunian asked whether there were any candidates with a similar name to this candidate. Ms. Redmond indicated this was the only write-in candidate.

Member Boyd, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations # 1-13 as a vote for Brian Thomas Arp. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variation for Colleen E. Oney, write-in candidate for Clerk, City of Rockwood.

1. COLLEEN ONEY

Member Preuss, duly supported by Alternate Member Haroutunian, moved to approve variation # 1 as a vote for Colleen E. Oney. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding the name variations for Barbara E. McCoy, write-in candidate for Treasurer, City of Rockwood.

1. BARBARA MCCOY
2. BARB MCCOY

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variations # 1 & 2 as a vote for Barbara E. McCoy. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

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

Vice-Chair recommended the Board review the variations six (6) at a time.

1. RICK SOLLARS
2. RICK SALORS
3. SELLARS
4. R. SOLLARS
5. RICK SOLOAR
6. SOLLARS

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variations # 1-6 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

7. TIM SOLLARS
8. RICK SOLAS
9. SOLLAR
10. RICK SOLLER
11. RICK SELLERS
12. RICH SOLLARS

Member Preuss asked if there was a candidate with a similar name as this candidate. Ms. Redmond indicated there was a printed candidate with a similar name, but he was a printed candidate. Mr. Sollars is the only write-in candidate for this race.

Alternate Member Haroutunian, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations # 7-12 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

13. RICK SOLARS
14. RICK SOLERS
15. RICK SOLLERS
16. RICK SOLLAR
17. RICK
18. RICK SALARS

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variations # 13-18 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

19. RUIK SOLAR
20. RICK SULLARS
21. RICK SOLLOS
22. RICK SOLOIS
23. RICK SOLOMAS
24. RICK SCILRRS

Member Boyd, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations #19-24 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

25. R. SOLARS
26. DICK SELLERS
27. RICK SOLLRS
28. RICK SOLLNRS
29. RICK SALLORS
30. RICK SALGOM

Member Boyd, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations # 25-30 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. Alternate Member Haroutunian stated he would be comfortable with considering variations 25-29 and consider number thirty (30) separately. The motion was withdrawn.

Alternate Member Haroutunian, duly supported by Member Preuss, moved to approve variations # 25-29 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Alternate Member Haroutunian, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to not approve variation #30 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr.
Ayes: Haroutunian, Boyd Nays: Gurewitz, Preuss
Motion failed.

Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a subsequent motion. Member Preuss requested to review the remaining variations and come back to variation #30.

31. JEFF SOLLARS
32. RICK SOLORS
33. RIICK SOLLARS
34. MARK SOLLARS
35. RICHARD SOLLARS

Member Boyd, duly supported by Alternate Member Haroutunian, moved to approve variations # 31-35 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Vice Chair Gurewitz requested a motion regarding variation #30.

30. RICK SALGOM

Member Preuss asked what the issue with the variation is. Alternate Member Haroutunian stated that the last name is far off for him to consider.
Vice-Chair Gurewitz stated that the Supreme Court has indicated "where the intent of the voter as expressed by his ballot and considered in the light of certain circumstances is not doubtful, the ballot shall be counted." Member Preuss asked whether this was the only write in candidate for this race. Ms. Redmond indicated that this was the only write in candidate.

Corporation Counsel Libby Busdicker indicated that Vice-Chair Gurewitz read from the Petrie V. Curtis case and it appears that the Board has considered all circumstances as to whether the voter's intent was clear.

Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to approve variation #30 as a vote for Richard Wayne Sollars, Jr. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Agenda item: **Partial Certification of the November 2, 2021 General Election**

Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a staff report regarding the canvass of the election.

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 smoothly. There were no major out of balance issues. The Board's assistants did have to re-tabulate ballots in two (2) precincts and there were a few precincts that required a re-tallying of write-in votes, due to the Election Inspectors not showing their work by tallying the votes or failing to indicate the office in which the votes were received.

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

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz thanked Mr. Mahar for the report and thanked the canvass assistants. Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion for Partial Certification of the November 2, 2021 General Election for the City of Dearborn, Gibraltar, Grosse Pointe City, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods, Harper Woods, Plymouth City, Riverview, Rockwood, Romulus, Taylor, and Trenton. Member Preuss, duly supported by Alternate Member Haroutunian, moved to certify the November 2, 2021 General Election for the communities stated on the record. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote.

Agenda item: **New Business.** Director Mahar indicated that there needs to be a final meeting set to review the remaining write-in variations and to certify the remaining communities for the November Election. The next meeting was scheduled for Friday, November 12, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.

Agenda item: **Public Comment.** Mark Ashley Price thanked the Board for the work they do.

Agenda item: **Adjournment.**

Board action on agenda item: Vice-Chair Gurewitz requested a motion to adjourn. Member Preuss, duly supported by Member Boyd, moved to recess the meeting until Friday. The motion was adopted unanimously by a roll call vote

Meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

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