MINUTES OF MEETING
WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018 – 1:00 P.M.
RALPH VIGLIOTTI BLDG.
1900 E. JEFFERSON, DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48207

Call to Order: Chair Jonathan C. Kinloch, Wayne County Board of Canvassers called the meeting to order at 10:17 A.M.

Members present: Jonathan Kinloch, Chair
Bruce Patterson, Member
Betty Smith, Member

Also present: Gregory Mahar, Director, Wayne County Elections
Jennifer Redmond, Assistant Director, Wayne County Elections
Harnetha Jarrett, Asst. Wayne County Corporation Counsel
En'Joli Conley
Chris McClain
Gregg Newsome
Cindy Darrah

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

Board action on agenda item: Chair Kinloch requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Member Patterson, duly supported by Chair Kinloch moved to adopt the agenda as submitted. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: **Approval of Minutes of August 21, 2018**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Kinloch requested a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting conducted August 21, 2018. Member Smith, duly supported by, Member Patterson moved to approve the minutes of the meeting conducted August 21, 2018. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: **Consideration of Affidavits/Statements Regarding Proposal R filed by Scotty Boman**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Kinloch ask staff for a brief background about the consideration of affidavits/statements regarding Proposal R. Ms. Redmond states that Mr. Boman filed a petition before however in his current petition it's indicated in some

cases the proposal was missing from the ballot. On September 6, a recount was conducted for Proposal R where challengers were sitting at the tables. Mr. Boman stated again at the certification meeting that he had affidavits of those that went to the polls and the proposal was not on the ballot. The chair asked for him to submit affidavits stating such. On September 24, he submitted an e-mail with the attached statements from voters Michelle Lee, Valerie K. Smith, Valerie Brown, and Kevin K. Lockett who all indicated that Proposal R was not on their ballots located in precincts 7, 25, 23, and 499.

Chair Kinloch states that the voters did appear at the recount stating what they had written. He also asked if staff could look at those specific precincts to see whether or not Proposal R was on the ballot. The entire City of Detroit was recounted and no one, not even the challengers made a statement that there were ballots that they observed that did not have Proposal R on it so Chair Kinloch referred the affidavits that were emailed to corporation counsel so she could speak on the board's authority.

Ms. Jarret, corporation counsel, states that she received the a affidavits and she reviewed them and while viewing the affidavits she noticed that one was dated for September 14 and the rest were dated for September 15. Pursuant Election law, the board's authority to investigate ended on September 6 once the recount was certified and complete. Ms. Jarret also informed stated that options are available, that the board can either receive or place this on file or to forward it to the Wayne County Prosecutors. Ms. Redmond pointed out that the affidavits/statements were not notarized. Member Patterson stated that maybe the statements could be sent to the Wayne County Prosecutors and point out that the statements don't rise to the level of an affidavit and leave it to them to make the determination.

Chair Kinloch requested a motion to forward the affidavits/statements to the Wayne County Prosecutor, Kim Worthy's office. Member Smith, duly supported by Member Patterson moved to adopt the agenda as submitted. The motion was adopted unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: **Ballot Container Inspection**

Board action on agenda item: Ms. Redmond states that Huron Township, City of Belleville, Van Buren Township, purchased new containers and brought them before the Board to be certified.

Recess at 1:31 p.m.

Resumed at 1:46 p.m.

Chair Kinloch announced that the meeting is reconvened. He asked staff for a follow-up and to give an update on the number of containers that were inspected. Ms. Redmond stated she didn't count them and Member Patterson said that it was 6 containers. Ms. Redmond said approximately 26 containers were inspected and certified by the Board of Canvassers for Huron Township, City of Belleville, and Van Buren Township.

Agenda item: **New Business.**

Board action of agenda item: Ms. Redmond stated that Vice-Chair, Krista Haroutunian, submitter her letter of resignation, and the office in turn sent out a request of nominations to fill her position to the Wayne County Republican Committee. They have until October 11th to submit their names to our office, and then the Clerk will make her decision as to who she will appoint. Chair Kinloch stated that the Board would like a letter to be sent out thanking Krista Haroutunian for her long service, long distinguished service on the Board of Canvassers and that they wish her heartfelt success in her judicial tenure. Chair Kinloch asked when the next meeting will be and Ms. Redmond stated November 7th, at 1 p.m. at the Vigliotti building.

Agenda item: **Public Comment.** Chair Kinloch asked if there was anyone present in the public that would like to address the board.

Gregg Newsome, District 5, asked if Scotty's stuff handed in without a notarized signature and if that's what he's picking up? Mr. Kinloch informed Mr. Newsome that the affidavits were signed but not notarized and they were forwarded to the prosecutor's office.

Cindy Darrah, asked if the Board looked into precincts 325, 326, 327, 328, 329 to see if there was anything tainted about those precincts?

Agenda item: **Adjournment.**

Board action on agenda item: Chair Kinloch requested a motion to adjourn. Chair Kinloch, duly supported by Member Patterson, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was adopted

unanimously by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

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