

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

Hybrid Public Hearing held in-person and via Zoom Webinar due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, pursuant to 2020 PA 254 (MCL 15.263 and 15.263a), and in compliance with Section 6(10) of Article 4 of Michigan's 1963 Constitution

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Thursday, May 20, 2021

6:22 PM – 8:03 PM

at

**Treetops Resort Convention Center
3962 Wilkinson Rd, Gaylord, MI 49735**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
Anthony Eid
Brittni Kellom
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
Janice Vallette
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: Juanita Curry

OTHERS PRESENT: Suann Hammersmith, Executive Director
Julianne V. Pastula, General Counsel
Edward Woods III, Communications and Outreach Director
Michigan Department of State ("MDOS") staff

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called the hearing of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 6:22 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. All Commissioners except Commissioner Curry were present and a quorum was met.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for Commissioner Lett to provide a presentation" which was adopted. Commissioner Lett provided a history of the MICRC including its strategic plan.

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the Executive Director to provide a presentation" which was adopted. Executive Director Hammersmith outlined the purpose of the MICRC and the public hearings.

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the General Counsel to provide a presentation" which was adopted. General Counsel Pastula articulated the guidelines for providing public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment portion of the agenda" which was adopted. There were 27 individuals who provided in-person public comment: Pauline Buchner, Vicki Bush, David Fashbauer, Tom Stillings, Donald LaForest, Amy Corell, Larry Corell, Cynthia Curtis, Cathy Stone, Triston Cole, Stacy Cole, Lori White, Phil Potvin, Vicky Rigney, Joanne Cromley, Debbie Pond, Barb Knight, Marie Fielder, Arlin Briley, Rocann Morin, William Arwo, Daren Rubingh, James Gallant, Randal Osgood, Jennifer Tozer, Joshua Clark, and Stephanie Jacobson. There were three individuals who provided remote public comment: Gerald Schatz, Barbara Conley, and Robert Pallarito.

A full inventory of live and written public comment is available at www.michigan.gov/micrc.

RECESS

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called for a recess from 7:06-7:17 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called the hearing of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) back to order at 7:24 PM.

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
Brittni Kellom
Anthony Eid
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
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Rebecca Szetela (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
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Richard Weiss
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ABSENT: Juanita Curry

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. All Commissioners except Commissioner Curry were present and a quorum was met.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the Executive Director to provide acknowledgements" which was adopted. Executive Director Hammersmith thanked the community volunteers and individuals, who gave public comment. Director Hammersmith announced the next public hearing would take place on Tuesday, May 25, in Midland.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Adjourn the hearing. Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Witjes. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

The hearing was adjourned at 8:03 PM.