

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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Thursday, May 20, 2021

5:00 PM – 6:06 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 AND WELCOME

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 5:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. All commissioners except Juanita Curry were present and a quorum was met.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Amend Section 7, subsection A, item 1 to “Request Identification of Full Address on the Portal”. **Motion by Commissioner Lange. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by voice. MOTION APPROVED.**

MOTION: Adopt the Agenda as Amended. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by voice. MOTION APPROVED.**

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Approve May 6th, 2021 Meeting Minutes. **Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Witjes. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

MOTION: Approve May 11th, 2021 Hearing Minutes. **Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Witjes. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. There was one individual that provided in-person public comment: James Gallant.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Update on Election Data Services Contract. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the General Counsel to provide an update on Election Data Services Contract" which was adopted. General Counsel Pastula informed the Commission that the notice to award the contract has been posted and the contract can be executed after May 24, 2021 (save any protest).
2. Update on Federal Compliance Consulting, LLC Contract. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the Executive Director to provide an update on Federal Compliance Consulting LLC Contract" which was adopted. Executive Director Hammersmith reported the contract with Federal Compliance Consulting, LLC has been signed by both parties and an initial meeting had taken place on how Federal Compliance Consulting, LLC will assist the Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Comment Portal. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the General Counsel to provide an update on whether the Commission can require city and state on the public comment portal" which was adopted. General Counsel Pastula provided a legal overview on the topics of disclosing addresses, privacy, and censorship in relation to the Public Comment Portal. Moon Duchin, Executive Director of the Metric Geometry and Gerrymandering Group, responded to inquiries on collecting addresses but not displaying them publicly. The Commission engaged in a discussion on the topic of requiring addresses for submission to the Portal.

MOTION: Amend “Request a Complete Address on the Portal...” to add “...but not Displayed”. **Motion by Commissioner Clark.**

Supported by Commissioner Lange. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by roll call. MOTION APPROVED 11-1.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Szetela, Vallete, Wagner, Weiss, Witjes, Clark, Eid, Kellom, Lange, Orton, Rothhorn

Voting No: Commissioner Lett

MOTION: Amend “Request a Full Address...” to “Require a Full Address...”. **Motion by Commissioner Lange. Supported by Commissioner Eid. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by roll call. MOTION FAILED 5-7.**

Voting Yes: Commissioners Wagner, Clark, Eid, Lange, Orton

Voting No: Commissioners Vallette, Weiss, Witjes, Kellom, Lett, Rothhorn, Szetela

MOTION: Request a Complete Address on the Portal but not Displayed. **Motion by Commissioner Lange. Supported by Commissioner Wagner. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by roll call. MOTION FAILED 5-7.**

Voting Yes: Commissioners Wagner, Clark, Lange, Orton, Rothhorn

Voting No: Commissioners Weiss, Witjes, Eid, Kellom, Lett, Szetela, Vallette

MOTION: Table Remaining New Business Until Next Meeting. **Motion by Commissioner Eid. Supported by Commissioner Witjes. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by a show of hands. MOTION APPROVED**

Voting Yes: Commissioners Eid, Kellom, Lett, Orton, Rothhorn, Szetela, Vallette, Weiss, Witjes

Voting No: Commissioners Clark, Lange, Wagner

ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION: Adjourn the meeting. **Motion by Commissioner Eid. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Kellom, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:06 PM.