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Meeting Location:
2501 Woodlake Circle - Conference Room 3/First Floor
Okemos, Michigan 48864

MINUTES
October 10, 2012

WASHTENAW COUNTY
DOCKET # 10-I-2 & 12-AP-1

MEMBERS PRESENT
Mr. James Stewart, State Commissioner
Mr. Cameron Priebe, State Commissioner
Mr. Dennis Schornack, Chairman
Mr. Wesley Prater, Local Commissioner

MEMBERS ABSENT
Mr. Stefani Carter, Local Commissioner

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ATTENDING
Mr. Kevin O'Brien, P.S., Office of Land Survey and Remonumentation
Mrs. Angela Sanderson, Secretary for the Office of Land Survey and Remonumentation
Mr. Christopher Beland, P.S. Director of the Office of Land Survey and Remonumentation
Mr. Keith Lambert, Deputy Director, Bureau of Construction Codes

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE
Mr. Shawn Keough, Village of Dexter President
Mr. James Smith, Resident
Mr. Patrick Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General
Mr. Stephen Rideout, Assistant Attorney General

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Chairman Schornack called the meeting to order at approximately 1:30 p.m. and read the Opening Statement. A quorum was determined present at that time.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Prater and seconded by Commissioner Priebe to approve the Agenda for the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Priebe to approve Draft Minutes for Docket # 10-I-2 Washtenaw County for the June 13, 2012 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. DOCKET # 10-I-2 - DETERMINATION OF VALIDITY OF PETITION FOR REFERENDUM

a. **Discussion by Commission and Staff:**

Mr. O' Brien, Office of Land Survey and Remonumentation, read highlights from his Memo on the validity of the Petition for Referendum on this docket, wherein the SBC Staff recommended that the petition be found valid by the Commission.

Chairman Schornack asked who sets election date, and if it was the county clerk.

Mr. O'Brien, OLSR, responded saying yes, that it is the county clerk who sets the election date.

b. **Involved Parties:**

Shawn Keough, Village of Dexter President, supports moving forward in the process and thanked the SBC for all their help on administrative work. He stated he is very supportive of this petition for referendum being approved so that the citizens have an opportunity to vote on the incorporation question.

James Smith (one of the 10 residents that circulated petition for referendum) stated that given that the Washtenaw County is looking at May as a possibility for the mileage election for their transit authority, he encouraged the SBC to consider that for a date for their vote on this in order to save money.

Chairman Schornack reiterated that the SBC does not set date – the county clerk does.

Commissioner Stewart asked Mr. Smith why he circulated the petitions.

Mr. Smith responded saying that ever since the process started, he has been supportive of the people voting as soon as they have an opportunity and this is that first opportunity.

Commission questions/discussion/deliberation: Discussion ensued.

c. **Commission Action:**

Commissioner Priebe made a **MOTION** and Commissioner Prater seconded the motion that for this referendum petition, Docket #10-I-2, requesting a referendum on the question of incorporation of the Village of Dexter and land in Scio and Webster Townships, is determined to be **valid. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. **DOCKET # 10-I-2 ADOPTION OF DRAFT SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS, FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Prater to adopt the Summary of Proceedings, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law reflecting the Commission's finding that the referendum petition was valid for Docket #10-I-2 and to recommend that the Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs sign the Order to approve Docket #10-I-2, for the City Incorporation of the Village of Dexter and lands in Scio and Webster Townships. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. **DOCKET # 12-AP-1 - DETERMINATION OF LEGAL SUFFICIENCY OF ANNEXATION PETITION**

a. **Discussion by Commission and Staff:**

Mr. O'Brien from the Office of Land Survey and Remonumentation, read from his Legal Sufficiency Memo on the Petition for Docket 12-AP-1, wherein the SBC Staff recommended that the petition be found legally sufficient by the Commission.

b. **Involved Parties & Public Comment:**

(No involved parties or public present for this docket.)

c. **Commission Action:**

Commissioner Prater made a **MOTION** and Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion to approve the petition for Docket # 12-AP-1, requesting the proposed annexation of lands in Lodi Township to the City of Saline, as **Legally Sufficient** for purposes of further discussion at a Public Hearing. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Commission questions/discussion/deliberation: Discussion ensued regarding the boundaries in this area and the reasons for the petition.

SBC stated that they would like to have an opportunity to hear from the City of Saline, Lodi Township and the petitioners.

Commissioner Priebe made a **MOTION** and Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion to expand the area under consideration to include the area in Lodi Township to the east of the church's property, which would be an island of Township land if the petition was granted as proposed, as well as an existing "island" of Lodi Township land along Ann Arbor-Saline Road southeast of the Keystone Church property for purposes of further discussion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Commissioner Schornack made a **MOTION** and Commissioner Stewart seconded scheduling the Public Hearing for **December 5, 2012 @ 4:00 p.m.**, at the Saline City Hall. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7. ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Prater and seconded by Commissioner Priebe to adjourn this session on Docket #12-AP-1 and Docket #10-I-2. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

APPROVED:

Dennis Schornack, Chairman
State Boundary Commission

4/17/13
Date