

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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Thursday, October 28, 2021

9:12 AM – 6:55 PM

at

Michigan State University Union, Lake Superior Room

49 Abbot Road

East Lansing, MI 48824

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Douglas James Clark

Anthony Eid (*joined the meeting at 9:22 AM*)

Brittni Kellom (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)

Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)

Steven Terry Lett

Cynthia Orton

MC Rothhorn

Rebecca Szetela

Janice Vallette

Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Eaton County, 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
Bruce Adelson, Federal Compliance Consulting
Election Data Services (“EDS”) staff

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 9:12 AM.

ROLL CALL


MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

Commissioner Eid joined the meeting at 9:38 AM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called for a motion to approve the agenda. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. One individual provided in-person public comment: Chris Andrews. Seven individuals provided remote public comment: Susan Smith, Gerald Lang, Anthony S , Kermit Williams, Emily Clancy, Percy Johnson, and Robert Dindoffer.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Deliberations Regarding Proposed Maps. After a discussion about the process for proposing maps, the Commission reviewed public comment from the second round of public hearings.

RECESS

At 10:55 AM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for ten minutes until 11:05 AM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 11:13 AM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Juanita Curry

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Deliberations Regarding Proposed Maps. The Commission continued reviewing public comment from the second round of public hearings. The Commission began reviewing the draft proposed State Senate plans.

RECESS

At 12:57 PM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for 63 minutes until 2:00 PM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 2:07 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Deliberations Regarding Proposed Maps. The Commission continued reviewing the draft proposed State Senate plans.

RECESS

At 4:00 PM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for fifteen minutes until 4:15 PM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 4:16 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

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

ABSENT: N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Deliberations Regarding Proposed Maps. The Commission continued reviewing the draft proposed State Senate plans.

RECESS

At 5:54 PM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for eleven minutes until 6:05 PM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 6:06 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark
Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)
Anthony Eid

Brittini Kellom (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela
Janice Vallette
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Eaton County, MI)
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Deliberations Regarding Proposed Maps. The Commission continued reviewing the draft proposed State Senate plans.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to approve.

STAFF REPORTS

There were no reports.

MDOS UPDATES

There were no updates.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence. All correspondence received is included in the public comment provided to the Commission.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Commission discussed future mapping items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM