Meeting of the Board of State Canvassers

February 22, 2016
Lansing Center, 333 E. Michigan Ave.
Lansing, Michigan

Called to order: 9:33 a.m.

Members present: Jeannette Bradshaw – Chairperson
Norman Shinkle – Vice-Chairperson
Julie Matuzak
Colleen Pero

Members absent: None.

Agenda item: Consideration of meeting minutes for approval.

Board action on agenda item: Motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2016 meeting as submitted. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on February 8, 2016 by David Bullock states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

Governor Richard D. Snyder declared a state of emergency in the County of Genesee and the City of Flint pursuant to the Constitution of the state of Michigan and provisions of Act No. 390 of the Public Acts of 1976, filed with the Secretary of State on January 5, 2016, and ending on February 1, 2016, unless extended as provided by Act No. 390.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by David Bullock on February 8, 2016 states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder.
Agenda item:

Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted February 9, 2016 by Quincy Murphy states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

Failure to adequately fund replacement of lead service lines which has resulted into high levels of lead in the City of Flint drinking water for Residential, Commercial and Infrastructure in a timely manner.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Quincy Murphy on February 8, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Pero. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item:

Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on February 10, 2016 by Quincy Murphy states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

Because Governor Richard D. Snyder admitted in parts of the Michigan State of the State transcript on January 19, 2016 “Government failed you: federal, state and local leaders by breaking the trust you placed in us. I am sorry most of all that I let you down. You deserve better. You deserve accountability; you deserve to know the buck stops here with me”.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Quincy Murphy on February 10, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Shinkle; supported by Pero. Ayes: Shinkle, Pero. Nays: Bradshaw, Matuzak. Motion failed.

Agenda item:

Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on February 12, 2016 by Quincy Murphy states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

For signing a “Proclamation Declaration of Emergency” for the “area affected includes parts of the City of Flint, within the County of Genesee but in no case longer than February 1, 2016, unless extended as provided by Act No. 390”.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Quincy Murphy on February 12, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on February 12, 2016 by Robert Davis states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

Governor Rick Snyder declined an invitation for him to appear and testify in Washington, D.C. at the February 10, 2016 Congressional Committee hearing before the U.S. House Democratic Steering and Policy Committee, where he would have been given the opportunity to answer questions regarding the City of Flint’s water crisis.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Robert Davis on February 12, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Shinkle; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on February 12, 2016 by Robert Davis states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

Governor Rick Snyder did not declare a State of Emergency in Genesee County until January 5, 2016, which was over one year after state officials within Michigan’s Department of Environmental Quality were aware that test results showed lead levels in the City of Flint’s drinking water were above the legal levels.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Robert Davis on February 12, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Pero; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on February 12, 2016 by Quincy Murphy states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Lieutenant Governor Brian Calley. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows:

For a sent email April 30, 2015 at 5:41 p.m., which includes subject: “City of Flint Mayor Issue” and states: “This is a big enough problem that we might want to consider changing state law at least to allow for write ins. Too much progress has been made to let it go to this guy”.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Quincy Murphy on February 12, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Lieutenant Governor Brian Calley. Moved by Pero; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Agenda item: Consideration of new political party petition form submitted for approval by the Independent Non Affiliation Party of Michigan, 4810 Holcombe, Detroit, Michigan 48214.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to not approve the new political party petition submitted by the Independent Non Affiliation Party of Michigan. Moved by Pero; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of constitutional amendment petition form submitted for approval by the People’s Initiative to Hold Government Accountable, 11455 Gardiner Trail, Roscommon, Michigan 48653.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to not approve the constitutional amendment petition form submitted for approval by the People’s Initiative to Hold Government Accountable. Moved by Pero; supported by Matuzak and Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Such other and further business as may be properly presented to the Board.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to approve the initiative petition form submitted for approval by Eliminate (i), 406 Packard Street, Apartment 210, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104, with the understanding that the Board’s approval does not extend to the substance of the proposal which appears on the petition; the substance of the summary of the proposal which appears on the signature side of the petition; or the manner in which the proposal language is affixed to the petition. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Pero. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 10:49 a.m.

Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson

Member

Member

March 7, 2016

Date