Meeting of the Board of State Canvassers

February 26, 2015
State Capitol, Room 426
Lansing, Michigan

Called to order: 3:30 p.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 minutes of December 17, 2014 meeting as submitted. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Election of Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for terms ending February 1, 2017.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved nominate Jeannette Bradshaw to serve as Chairperson and Norm Shinkle to serve as Vice-Chairperson for terms ending February 1, 2017. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Pero. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Canvass and certification of the special election held on February 24, 2015 for the South Macomb Oakland Regional Services Authority emergency services millage.

Board action on agenda item: Based on an examination of the returns received by the Secretary of State for the February 24, 2015 special election, the Board moved to certify that the attached is a true statement of
the votes cast at the special election for the South Macomb Oakland Regional Services Authority emergency services millage. Moved by Pero; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Assignment of ballot designation for the statewide proposal qualified to appear on the May 5, 2015 special election ballot.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to assign the designation 15-1 to the statewide ballot proposal provided under House Joint Resolution UU of 2014, which will appear on the May 5, 2015 special election ballot. Moved by Shinkle; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Determination of ballot wording for the statewide proposal qualified to appear on the May 5, 2015 special election ballot.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to approve the statement of purpose offered by the Director of Elections. Moved by Pero; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: Shinkle. Motion carried. Statement of purpose follows:

Proposal 15-1

A proposal to amend the State Constitution to increase the sales/use tax from 6% to 7% to replace and supplement reduced revenue to the School Aid Fund and local units of government caused by the elimination of the sales/use tax on gasoline and diesel fuel for vehicles operating on public roads, and to give effect to laws that provide additional money for roads and other transportation purposes by increasing the gas tax and vehicle registration fees.

The proposed constitutional amendment would:
- Eliminate sales / use taxes on gasoline / diesel fuel for vehicles on public roads.
- Increase portion of use tax dedicated to School Aid Fund (SAF).
- Expand use of SAF to community colleges and career / technical education, and prohibit use for 4-year colleges / universities.
- Give effect to laws, including those that:
  - Increase sales / use tax to 7%, as authorized by constitutional amendment.
  - Increase gasoline / diesel fuel tax and adjust annually for inflation, increase vehicle registration fees, and dedicate revenue for roads and other transportation purposes.
  - Expand competitive bidding and warranties for road projects.
  - Increase earned income tax credit.

Should this proposal be adopted?

YES [ ]

NO [ ]
Agenda item: Such other and further business as may be properly presented to the Board.

Board action on agenda item: None.

Adjourned: 4:39 p.m.

[Signatures]

Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson

Member

Member

Date: April 14, 2015