

Calhoun County Board of Canvassers Meeting

Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 9:00am

**Calhoun County Building – Clerk – Elections Office, Room 2-100A,
315 W Green Street, Marshall MI 49068**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: Brendel Hatley at 9:00am, Roll Call: Present - Brendel Hatley, Susan Buckley, Erica Brown, & Bonnie Kazmar, Calhoun County Clerk & Register of Deeds Kimberly Hinkley, Election Specialist Jill Stout
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Susan Buckley, 2nd by Erica Brown – Passed
4. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Susan Buckley, 2nd by Erica Brown – Passed
5. Citizen Comments: None
6. New Business:
 - ❖ Susan Buckley nominated Erica Brown to be Vice-Chair, 2nd by Bonnie Kazmar, by voice vote – Passed
 - ❖ Election Specialist gave an overview of the May 3, 2022, election: 2 precincts open, 3 ballot styles, Leroy accepted BC #20 voters. Schools with proposals on the ballot: Climax-Scotts, Hastings, Gull Lake.
 - ❖ Begin Canvass. Canvassers stated they are to get envelope #1. Situation corrected.
 - ❖ Review & Determine validity of Provisional Ballots: None
 - ❖ Review “Out-Of-Balance” precincts (*Requirement for the State of Michigan*): None
 - ❖ Certified May 3, 2022, election results
 - ❖ Seal Envelopes
 - ❖ Reviewed & signed all paperwork as necessary
7. Certify canvass bags: No bags needed certification at this meeting
8. Mileage & Per Diem to be paid
9. Discussed future canvass dates:
 - May 18 & 19, 2022 – Ballot Container Certification – Susan Buckley demonstrated how the bags are to be checked by the Canvassers & Ballot Certification Tags were signed by the Canvassers to speed the process on the certification days.
 - Aug 4, 2022 – Certification of Aug 2, 2022, Primary Election begins
 - Election Specialist Jill Stout discussed the August Primary ballot:
Republican Primary Challenges include: *U. S. House:* Walburg/ODonnell/Ferszt, *State Senate:* Lasata/Lindsey & Albert/Mancinelli, *Calhoun County Commission Seats:* Thomson/Hankey, Tompkins/Miller, King/Pepiez, *Tekonsha Township Board Clerk Office:* Stemaly/Thompson
 - November 10, 2022 – Certification of Nov 8, 2022 General Election begins
10. Citizens Comments: None

11. Board of Canvassers Comments:

- Brendel Hatley thanked Canvasser Susan Buckley for taking the lead on the canvass & explaining in detail why & how each step is performed due to the lack of experience on the current Canvassing board. It made for a great day & made the canvassers feel more confident in their ability to do the process.
- Election Specialist Jill Stout explained that she had been in contact with the Board of Elections regarding the necessary Board of Canvassers bi-annual required training & explained that the BoE is developing the training currently & will keep the County Clerks up to date of when the training will be available & how the training will be delivered.

12. Announcements: None

13. Adjournment: 2:55pm