

**HOUGHTON COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS
MEETING
AUGUST 3, 2022**

The Houghton County Board of Canvassers held a meeting on Wednesday, August 3, 2022 at 1:00 pm in the Circuit Court Jury Room on the 3rd floor of the Courthouse, Houghton, Michigan. The meeting was for the purpose of approving the August 2, 2022 election results.

The Canvassers completed their per diems, and reviewed the minutes from May 4, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Becky-Bruin Slot at 1:00 pm. The following responded to roll call to the County Clerk, Jennifer Kelly: Barbara Manninen, Democrat; Sharon Foix, Republican; Becky Bruin-Slot, Republican and Joan Antila, Democrat.

Agenda:

A Motion was made by Joan Antila and seconded by Barbara Manninen to approve the Agenda as presented.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Minutes:

A Motion was made by Barbara Manninen, seconded by Sharon Foix to approve the May 4, 2022 minutes as presented.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Public Comments:

Alan McClellan asked questions regarding the election.
Alexandra Ziemba asked questions regarding the election.

The Canvassers agreed to wait to do the AVCB's until Wednesday as the County Clerk needs to generate a new report.

Canvassing all Precincts:

Chassell Township:

On the bottom of Page 10, the Canvassers want to know what the math written means.

James Craig received 3 write-in votes.

There were no initials on correcting the mistake.

A Motion was made by Barbara Manninen, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve Chassell Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Duncan Township:

Precinct 1: There was no red line or initials through an error in the poll book.

The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday.

Precinct 2: Canvassers asked that mistakes be made with a single line in red.

The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday.

Elm River Township:

The County Clerk will return the Activity Log Report to the Township Clerk.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve Elm River Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Franklin Township:

Precinct 1: The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday.

There were 19 write-in votes for Dan Watrous, and 1 write-in vote for James Craig.

Precinct 2: There is no one's initial on the error on the last page. The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday.

There were 7 write-in votes for Dan Watrous.

Hancock Township:

The Ballot Summary is missing from the envelope. The election workers did not remove the local clerk or canvassers papers from the Statement of Votes Report in the poll book, or the Write-Ins. The County Clerk will give the local clerks copy to the clerk. The canvassers put their copy in their envelope.

There were 3 write-in votes for James Craig.

Laird Township:

There was nothing wrote on the write-in page. The County Clerk will contact the township clerk. Voting totals were good.

Osceola Township:

Precinct 1: The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday. All totals looked good.

There were 15 write-in votes for Dan Watrous.

Precinct 2: The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday. All totals looked good.

There were 10 write-in votes for Dan Watrous.

Precinct 4: The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday. All totals looked good.

There were 7 write-in votes for Dan Watrous.

Portage Township:

Precinct 4: The County Clerk will inform the township clerk that the townships name was not written on the Canvassers envelope. There were no initials on the error on the Statement of Votes report.

The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday. All totals looked good.

Precinct 2: The local and canvassers copy of the Statement of Vote Report was in the County Clerk envelope/poll book. The County Clerk will inform the Township Clerk of the error, and give the Township Clerk her local copy. There was no initial on an error on the Statement of Votes report.

AVCB: All totals look good. The Canvassers wished to verify the totals with the new report on Thursday.

Quincy Township:

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Quincy Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Schoolcraft Township:

The County Clerk will instruct the township clerk to have the election workers make remarks on the remarks page if needed. No election workers signed the canvassers tape. The County Clerk will have the township clerk call in the election workers to sign the tape.

There were 2 write-in votes for James Craig, and 19 write in-votes for Dan Watrous.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Schoolcraft Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

The County Clerk informed the Canvassers that due to the Court's schedule, Canvassing needed to be adjourned.

A Motion was made at 4:10 pm by Joan Antila and seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot to adjourn the canvassing until August 4, 2022 at 8:30 am.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Day 2-Canvassing Continued

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Becky-Bruin Slot at 8:30 am on August 4, 2022. The following responded to roll call to the County Clerk, Jennifer Kelly: Barbara Manninen, Democrat; Sharon Foix, Republican; Becky Bruin-Slot, Republican and Joan Antila, Democrat.

Stanton Township:

Precinct 1: The Ballot Summary is missing. The County Clerk will contact the Township Clerk and get the report.

There was 1 write-in vote for James Craig.

Precinct 2-The Ballot Summary is missing. The County Clerk will contact the Township Clerk and get the report.

Torch Lake Township:

Precinct 1: There were 4 write-in votes for Dan Watrous, and 3 write-in votes for James Craig.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Torch Lake Township Precinct 1.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 2: There were 3 write-in votes for Dan Watrous.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve Torch Lake Township Precinct 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

AVCB: The County Clerk will inform the township clerk the election workers did not write the total voters on the cover. Also, in the canvassers envelope, the Statement of Votes was missing. The Canvassers put the copy that was in the County Clerk's envelope and put it in the Canvassers envelope. The voter list for the absentee ballots was missing. The County Clerk will contact the township clerk.

Portage Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

Precinct 2: The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Sharon Foix, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve Portage Township Precinct 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 4: The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Sharon Foix, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Portage Township Precinct 4.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

AVCB: The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve Portage Township AVCB.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Torch Lake Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

The Canvassers received the missing information from the township clerk.

AVCB: The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals, and voter list.

A Motion was made by Sharon Foix, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve Torch Lake Township AVCB.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Stanton Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

The Canvassers received the Ballot Summaries from the Clerk.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Stanton Township Precincts 1 and 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Duncan Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Duncan Township Precincts 1 and 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Hancock Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve Hancock Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Osceola Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

Precinct 1:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve Osceola Township Precinct 1.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 2:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Osceola Township Precinct 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0

Precinct 4:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Sharon Foix, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve Osceola Township Precinct 4.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0

Laird Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Laird Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0

Hancock Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

The Canvassers received the Ballot Summary from the township clerk.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Hancock Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0

Franklin Township-Continued from 8/3/22:

Precinct 1:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Sharon Foix, to approve Franklin Township Precinct 1.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0

Precinct 2:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Sharon Foix, to approve Franklin Township Precinct 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0

City of Houghton:

Precinct 1: The County Clerk shall inform the City clerk that the local and canvassers copy of the write-ins were still in the poll book in the County Clerk's envelope. The County Clerk will get the local clerk her copy and the Canvassers put their copy in the Canvassers envelope. The County Clerk will also inform the City clerk that the first race was cut off the tape in the Canvassers envelope, and the Canvassers had to review the Governor's race totals on the tape in the County Clerk's envelope.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

There was 1 write-in vote for James Craig.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve City of Houghton Precinct 1.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 2:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

There was 1 write-in vote for James Craig.

A Motion was made by Barbara Manninen, seconded by Sharon Foix, to approve City of Houghton Precinct 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

AVCB:

County Clerk will contact the City Clerk to get a tabulator tape from Precinct 2 AVCB that is missing.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

There were 3 write-in votes for James Craig.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve City of Houghton AVCB.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Schoolcraft Township-Continued:

The Township Clerk delivered the tabulator tape.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Schoolcraft Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

The County Clerk informed the Canvassers that due to the Court's schedule, Canvassing needed to be adjourned.

A Motion was made at 11:30 am by Becky Bruin-Slot and seconded by Joan Antila to adjourn the canvassing until August 5, 2022 at 9:00 am.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Day 3-Canvassing Continued

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Becky-Bruin Slot at 9:03 am on August 5, 2022. The following responded to roll call to the County Clerk, Jennifer Kelly: Barbara Manninen, Democrat; Sharon Foix, Republican; Becky Bruin-Slot, Republican and Joan Antila, Democrat.

Adams Township:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve Adams Township.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

AVCB:

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve Adams Township AVCB.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Calumet Township:

Precinct 1:

The Canvassers asked the County Clerk to inform the Township Clerk that the printing on the voter list is bad.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

There was 1 write-in vote for James Craig.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve Calumet Township Precinct 1.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 2:

The County Clerk will inform the Township Clerk that Precinct Delegates are not to be written on the write-in page. Also, the Democrat and Republican did not sign the Statement of Vote page. The County Clerk will contact the Clerk and ask the Democrat and Republican to come in and sign the Statement of Vote page.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Barbara Manninen, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve Calumet Township Precinct 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 5:

The County Clerk will inform the Township Clerk that there is no results tape in the Canvassers envelope. The County Clerk texted the Township Clerk. The Canvassers discussed a double spoil by someone.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Sharon Foix, to approve .

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 9:

The County Clerk will inform the Township Clerk that only 1 copy of the tabulator tape should be in the County Clerk's envelope, not 2.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

There was 1 write-in vote for James Craig.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Calumet Township Precinct 9.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

AVCB:

The County Clerk will inform the Township clerk that the voter list was out of precinct order and hole punched on the wrong side. The Canvassers would appreciate having the voter list put in the appropriate tabs in the poll book. There was also a duplicate list of the Precinct 1 voters.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve Calumet Township AVCB.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

City of Hancock:

Precinct 1:

The Canvassers questioned why there was a challenge by a voter, and why the canvassers write in page was in the County Clerk's poll book, and the write in page for the local clerk was in the poll book. The County Clerk will give the City Clerk the local clerk's write in page for their records.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Joan Antila, to approve City of Hancock Precinct 1.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 2:

The Canvassers questioned by there was a challenge on the voter list, and why the write in page was in the County Clerk's envelope. The County Clerk will give the City Clerk the local page.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve City of Hancock Precinct 2.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Precinct 3:

The Canvassers questioned the challenger on the voter list, and why the write in pages were not labeled. The Canvassers gave the County Clerk the write in page for the County Clerk's envelope and put 1 copy in their envelope. The County Clerk will give the City Clerk their copy.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Becky Bruin-Slot, to approve City of Hancock Precinct 3.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

AVCB:

The Canvassers requested the voter list be put in the poll book, and put under the appropriate precinct tabs.

The Canvassers reviewed the voting totals.

There was 1 write-in vote for James Craig.

A Motion was made by Becky Bruin-Slot, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to approve City of Hancock AVCB.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

The County Clerk had the Canvassers sign all appropriate paperwork for the election.

Adjourn meeting:

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Barbara Manninen, to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 pm.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Becky Bruin-Slot-Chairperson

Joan Antila

Barbara Manninen

Sharon Foix

Jennifer Kelly
Clerk of the Houghton County Canvassers