

**HOUGHTON COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS  
MEETING  
DECEMBER 9, 2022**

The Houghton County Board of Canvassers held a meeting on Friday, December 9, 2022 at 12:12 pm in the Marquette Township Office, Marquette, Michigan. The meeting was for the recount of the City of Houghton Precinct 2-Proposal 3 for the November 8, 2022 election results.

The Canvassers completed their per diems.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman, Barbara Manninen at 12:12 pm. The following responded to roll call to the County Clerk, Jennifer Kelly: Barbara Manninen, Democrat; Sharon Foix, Republican; Charles Markham, Republican and Joan Antila, Democrat.

Kristi Dugan, Representative of the State Board of Canvassers gave an explanation to the Canvassers, County Clerks, Counters, and to the Public/Challengers as to the process for the recount.

The recount began, and the Canvassers observed.

Kristi Dugan had a meeting with the Houghton Board of County Canvassers at 4:14 pm. She stated Houghton City-Precinct 2 and the Precinct 2 AVCB were recount able. She stated the City Clerk and the worker should be commended. There was 0 change in the recount. Kristi Dugan received 3 challenges from the Election Integrity Force on the City of Houghton.

The first was a blanket challenge regarding viewing the absentee ballot signatures. The recount team chose to continue counting. Kristi Dugan advised the Canvassers that the purpose of the recount was to review the yes and no votes for Proposal 3, not to review absentee ballot signatures.

A Motion was made by Joan Antila and seconded by Charles Markham to deny the challenge.

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

The second was a blanket challenge regarding the viewing of ballot stubs. Kristi Dugan advised the Canvassers that the State Board of Canvassers decided that viewing ballot stubs is not part of the recount procedure.

A Motion was made by Sharon Foix and seconded by Barbara Manninen to deny the challenge.

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

The third was a blanket challenge to view both sides of the ballots. Kristi Dugan advised the Canvassers that the State Board of Canvassers decided that viewing both sides of the ballots is not part of the recount procedure.

A Motion was made by Barbara Manninen and seconded by Sharon Foix to deny the challenge.

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

A Motion was made by Charles Markham and seconded by Barbara Manninen to approve the recount of the City of Houghton Precinct 2 and the City of Houghton Precinct 2 absentee ballots as presented.

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

Public Comments:

James Gallant addressed the Board of Canvassers for 1 minute.

Adjourn meeting:

A Motion was made by Joan Antila, seconded by Charles Manninen, to adjourn the meeting at 4:27 pm.

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

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Charles Markham

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Joan Antila

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Barbara Manninen

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Sharon Foix

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Jennifer Kelly  
Clerk of the Houghton County Canvassers