

**ELECTION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 5, 2025**

The Houghton County Election Commission held a Special Meeting on Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 8:30 am in the Probate/Family Courtroom on the 2nd floor of the Courthouse, Houghton, Michigan.

A. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Judge Fraser Strome at 8:30 am.

Roll call:

Jennifer Kelly, County Clerk, did a voice roll call and the following board members were present; Fraser Strome-Probate/Family Court Judge, Lisa Mattila-Houghton County Treasurer and Jennifer Kelly-Houghton County Clerk/Register of Deeds. Linda Belote from the League of Women Voters was also in attendance.

B. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Committee did the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Approval of Minutes-February 28, 2025:

A Motion was made by Lisa Mattila, seconded by Jennifer Kelly to approve the February 28, 2025 minutes as presented.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 3, Nays 0.

D. Approval of Agenda/Additions

A Motion was made by Fraser Strome, seconded by Lisa Mattila to approve the Agenda as presented.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 3, Nays 0.

E. Public Comments

Linda Belote wanted to understand the process for what the Houghton County Election Commission does for approving the ballots.

Clerk Kelly explained that she sends ballot proofing to all the City and Township Clerks and anyone that puts something on the ballot. Then the County Election Commission reviews the proofing and then holds the meeting to approve the ballots.

F. Old Business:

None.

G. New Business:

- a. Discuss and approve the Ballot Proofing for the August 5, 2025 Primary Election

Judge Strome asked about the split precincts in Duncan, Adams/Bohemia, and Portage.

Clerk Kelly explained that in Duncan Township, both of their precincts are split between Ewen-Trout Creek Schools and L’Anse Schools. The L’Anse voters will vote for all millages and the CCISD. Ewen Trout Creek voters will only vote for the CCISD. Bohemia Township’s precinct is a part of the CCISD, and Adams has agreed to have the Bohemia voters vote in Adams for this election.

A Motion was made by Lisa Mattila, seconded by Fraser Strome to approve all precincts for the August 5, 2025 Election as presented.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 3, Nays 0.

H. Public Comment:

None.

I. Adjournment:

Motion was made by Lisa Mattila, seconded by Jennifer Kelly to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 am.

The Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Fraser Strome
Probate Court Judge

Jennifer Kelly
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

Lisa Mattila
County Treasurer