



# CITY OF BURTON

## BURTON ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING

JULY 11, 2022

### AGENDA

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**Council Chambers**

**Regular**

**11:00 AM**

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**4303 S. CENTER ROAD  
BURTON, MI 48519**

**A. ROLL CALL**

**B. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

**C. APPROVAL MINUTES**

1. Election Commission - Regular - Mar 30, 2022 11:00 AM

**D. AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Approve and Authorize the Printing and Use of the Election Day Ballots for the August 2, 2022 Primary Election.
2. Approve and Authorize the Appointment of Election Workers and Alternate Election Workers for the August 2, 2022 Primary Election as Presented by the City Clerk.
3. Approve and Authorize the Performance of the Public Logic and Accuracy Testing on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 10:00 AM for Voting Equipment to be used in the August 2, 2022 Primary Election.



**BURTON, MICHIGAN**  
**BURTON ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING**  
**MARCH 30, 2022**  
**MINUTES**

Community Room

Regular

11:00 AM

**4303 S. CENTER ROAD**  
**BURTON, MI 48519**

**This meeting was opened by Clerk Racheal Boggs at 11:00 AM.**

**A. ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Racheal Boggs	Clerk	Present	
Carl Gusie	Commissioner	Present	
Bonnie Hoffmeyer	Commissioner	Excused	
James Craig	Commissioner	Present	
Deborah K Walton	Commissioner	Present	

**B. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None.

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Election Commission - Regular - Oct 11, 2021 10:00 AM

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Carl Gusie, Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Deborah K Walton, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Boggs, Gusie, Craig, Walton
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Hoffmeyer

**D. AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Approve and Authorize the Printing and Use of the Election Day Ballots for the May 3, 2022 Special Election.

Discussion ensued regarding the proposal language on the ballots.

Mr. Craig posed questions regarding school districts putting language on ballots in May versus August or November and costs associated with Special Elections.

Ms. Boggs stated schools, like other entities have the choice to put language on a ballot for May. For this election, there will be reimbursement for the conduct of the school district's election. Costs that are reimbursable are supplies, ballots, election workers, postage, overtime, temporary employees, etc.

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<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	James Craig, Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Deborah K Walton, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Boggs, Gusie, Craig, Walton
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Hoffmeyer

2. Approve and Authorize the Appointment of Election Workers and Alternate Election Workers for the May 3, 2022 Special Election as Presented by the City Clerk.

Ms. Boggs stated you will notice that we have combined precinct 5 & 11 and there will be no need for look-up tables at Bendle or Blessed Sacrament because there will only be one precinct table at each location. There are also no Coordinators needed because of this and the Precinct Chairs will handle those duties. This is a cost saving measure. Also, as you are aware, recently there have been questions and allegations posed during council meetings regarding some of the election workers' relationship to me as well as their party declaration. It is not against the law for my family/friends to work the election but, I would like this board's opinion. In the spirit of full transparency, I would like to know if anyone has issues with the election worker list, please be open and honest.

Mr. Craig asked if election workers register to vote as a particular party. How do we know they are what they say they are?

Ms. Boggs stated no one in Michigan registers to vote as a particular political party anymore. There is nothing on the registration application or in QVF that identifies a political party. We trust what they put on their election worker application. Obviously, if someone is a well-known advocate for a political party and they claim to be something different, we will have issues with that. Aside from that, they have to tell us what party they declare and we trust it. That is the law.

Mr. Gusie asked, with the combining of precincts, how voters will know where to go to vote?

Ms. Boggs stated there will only be one table at each location.

Mr. Craig stated only voters who live in the Kearsley and Carman Ainsworth Districts have an election in May.

Ms. Boggs stated if voters from outside those school districts come into vote, they will be told that their precinct does not have a May Election.

Mr. Craig stated there are multiple people involved in the election process at each precinct. No one or two individuals are in charge of a full process, correct?

Ms. Boggs said, that is correct. Almost everything we do, we do in teams with each member of the team being from a different major political party, Democrat and Republican.

The Commission posed questions regarding Precinct Chairpersons and election processes.

Ms. Boggs stated Precinct Chairs are in charge of processing voters, completing paperwork and sealing bags and containers. In the AV Board, they are also in charge of confirming the AV list with the ballots they are given from my office and they

complete duplication, when necessary. It is important to note that issues we had at the November recount have been rectified and the Receiving Board Checklist has been updated to reflect process changes I have made as a result of the Canvassers feedback from that recount.

Mr. Craig stated there are lots of conspiracy theorists out there. They don't realize all the processes involved and how many people would have to be involved to do something wrong.

Ms. Boggs said yes, there are. We do our best to educate people but some do not want to be a part of a solution, only a problem. Clerks all over Michigan use family and friends as election workers because they can trust them to do the right thing. In fact, none of the procedural issues we had at the recount involved any precinct where my family/friends worked. Because this board is in charge of the appointment of election workers, I thought we should discuss this openly.

Mrs. Walton stated she concurred with Mr. Craig. We trust you and the election process.

Discussion continued regarding election workers, difficulty with retaining workers and public scrutiny of workers and the election process.

The Election Commission reported no issues with the election workers.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Deborah K Walton, Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Carl Gusie, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Boggs, Gusie, Craig, Walton
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Hoffmeyer

- 3. Approve and Authorize the Performance of the Public Logic and Accuracy Testing on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 10:00 AM for Voting Equipment to be used in the May 3, 2022 Special Election.

Discussion ensued regarding the Public Accuracy testing; process, the role of the Election Commission, posting and the test being open to the public.

Ms. Boggs spoke about ballot markings, ballot charts and over and under votes. Although City Council passed a resolution years ago delegating testing responsibilities to my office, when I became Clerk, I decided to involve the Election Commission in this task. It is another layer of checks and balances and transparency. It is also a great way to learn about the election machines and how ballot markings are read. It would be nice to have members of the public show up to observe the process. In the seven years I have been here, no one from the public has ever come.

Mrs. Walton recommended having the Mayor announce the Public Accuracy Test during his administrative report at the council meeting prior to the test.

Mr. Craig suggested live streaming the test so the public can watch as well as website tutorials for election related activities.

Discussion continued regarding the Public Accuracy Test.

Ms. Boggs stated she will look into the website tutorials and will discuss the option of

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performing Public Accuracy in Council Chambers so it can be recorded on IQM2. Also, I will ask the Mayor to announce it during his administrative report in April. My office will send out an email reminder to the Commission of the Public Accuracy Test.

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Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.

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**Burton Election Commission**  
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Meeting: 07/11/22 11:00 AM  
Department: Clerk's Office  
Category: Elections  
Prepared By: Katie Malin  
Department Head: Racheal Boggs

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**SCHEDULED**

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 5448)**

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## **Approve and Authorize the Printing and Use of the Election Day Ballots for the August 2, 2022 Primary Election.**



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Meeting: 07/11/22 11:00 AM  
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**SCHEDULED**

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 5446)**

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**Approve and Authorize the Appointment of Election Workers  
and Alternate Election Workers for the August 2, 2022  
Primary Election as Presented by the City Clerk.**



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