

Saginaw County, Michigan
Birch Run Township
Resolution 04-16

Establishment of Local Receiving Board

WHEREAS House Bill No. 5482 of 2004, Public Act 256 of 2004 amend the Michigan Election Law to allow for the appointment of a local receiving board to receive election ballots.

WHEREAS House Bill No. 5482 specifies that the legislative body of a city, township, or village may, by resolution, provide for one or more additional boards of election inspectors as receiving board, at an election where ballots were counted at the precinct.

WHEREAS the election commissioners would be required to appoint a receiving board consisting of two or more election inspectors, with an equal number from each major political party.

WHEREAS not less than two election inspectors in a precinct, representing each of the major political parties, shall deliver to the receiving board for that precinct a sealed ballot container containing the voted ballots, and in a separate sealed envelope, the poll book and the statement of returns.

WHEREAS the receiving board shall open the sealed envelope and review the poll book and statement of returns to determine both of the following:

That the ballot container was properly sealed and the seal number was properly recorded in the poll book and the statement of returns. If the ballot container is not properly sealed or there was a discrepancy with the seal number recorded in the poll book or the statement of returns, the election inspectors who delivered the ballot container and the receiving board would together take the necessary steps to correct the discrepancy. Further, the election inspectors and the receiving board shall note the discrepancy and the corrective action in the remarks section of the poll book, and all shall sign the notation.

That the number of individuals voting recorded in the poll board equaled the number of ballots issued to electors, as shown by the statement of returns. If the number of individuals voting as shown by the poll book does not equal the number of ballots counted as shown by the statement of returns, and if an explanation of the discrepancy has not been noted in the poll book, the receiving board shall ask the election inspectors about the discrepancy, note the explanation in

the poll book, and all shall sign the notation.

If the poll book or statement of returns has been erroneously sealed in the ballot container, the election inspectors may open the ballot container and remove the poll book or statement of returns. The elections inspectors and receiving board shall note the corrective action in the remarks section of the poll book and all shall sign the notation before placing the poll book or statement of returns in a separate sealed envelope. If the statement of returns was sealed in the ballot container and the poll book was sealed in an envelope, the poll book shall be removed from the sealed envelope for the notation of corrective action to be recorded before placing the poll book and statement of returns in a sealed envelope. The receiving board shall notify the clerk of the board of canvassers responsible for canvassing all or a portion of the election of the corrective action taken.

When the receiving board has completed the review, the receiving board shall place the poll book and statement of returns in the appropriate envelope, sealed with a red paper seal and initialed by the receiving board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Birch Run Township Board of Trustees of the Township of Birch Run, County of Saginaw, do hereby establish a local receiving board to receive election ballots.

The foregoing resolution offered by Stewart and supported by Trevino.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

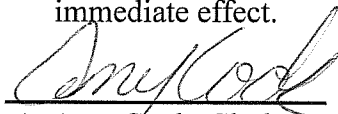
Aye: Trevino, Stewart, Cook, Schlegel, Putnam, Magnus, and Strahm

Nay: None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

CERTIFICATE

I, Amy Cook, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Birch Run Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board of said Township at the regular meeting of said Board held on October 12, 2004, at which meeting a quorum was present, by a roll call vote of said members as herein before set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.



Amy Cook, Clerk