

Arenac County Board of County Canvassers

November 6, 2018 Arenac County General Election

Canvass of the Election:

Chair JoEllyn Pedota called the Arenac County Board of Canvassers to order at 1 PM on Wednesday, November 7th in Room 201 of the Arenac County Building in Standish, Michigan pursuant to Public Notice and the Michigan Open Meetings Act, to begin the Canvass of the Arenac County General Election held on November 6, 2018 in Arenac County, Michigan.

Present: Canvassers: JoEllyn Pedota, chair (D); Wanda Boley, member (R); Keith Rebeschke, member (R); and Cynthia Halamar, member (D). Also present: County Clerk, Rick Rockwell.

After presenting summary sheets to all canvassers and reviewing of vote totals as listed and a discussion about any possible issues including the need to canvass Mason, Clayton and Whitney Townships first as to allow the other respective counties, being Iosco and Ogemaw, the opportunity to complete their canvass in a timely manner, the Board of County Canvassers began the canvass of the Election Results as listed.

Mason Township:

The Poll Book reflected that two hundred seventy-two (272) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. The only issue is that only one person was listed on the Receiving Board oath. This concludes the canvass of the Township of Mason.

Clayton Township:

The Poll Book reflected that three hundred seventy-five (375) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. This concludes the canvass of the Township of Clayton.

Whitney Township:

The Poll Book reflected that five hundred forty-four (544) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. It was noted that poll workers didn't complete the write-in candidate sheet, even though there were no valid write-ins. This concludes the canvass of the Township of Whitney.

Partial Certification of Whittemore-Prescott & Tawas School Board numbers and Whittemore-Prescott Bond Issue numbers for Arenac County, Michigan:

It was moved by Boley & 2nd by Pedota to approve the numbers as listed on the spread sheets for the Whittemore-Prescott Area Schools and Tawas Area Schools and to authorize the County Clerk to prepare a partial certification of election results for the Arenac County portion of the election to bring to the canvassers for signatures tomorrow morning so they could be transmitted to respective county canvassers. The motion carried and the Clerk was directed to prepare said partial certification.

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The time being 3:30 P.M.; it was moved by Halamar and seconded by Rebischke to recess until 11 A. M. Thursday, November 8th, as the room will not be available until that time. Motion carried and the meeting was recessed until the above date and time.

Thursday, November 8th, 2018:

Chair reconvened the Arenac County Board of County Canvassers Meeting at 11 AM at the same place and all four canvassers were in attendance as well as the County Clerk:

Order of the Day: Partial Certification of WPA & Tawas School Elections:

County Canvassers reviewed partial certification of canvass to Ogemaw and Iosco County Canvassers and signed said document and directed the County Clerk to transmit said as soon as practical.

Certification of Ballot Bag:

The County Clerk presented a new ballot bag from Whitney Township for certification: After inspection, it was moved by Cynthia Halamar & 2nd by Wanda Boley to approve the Ballot Bag. Motion carried. Canvassers signed and affixed their ballot bag tag to the container. Clerk is to deliver the bag.

The Canvassers then agreed to continue with the Canvass of the results of the respective units as follows:

Adams Township:

The Poll Book reflected that two hundred twenty-two (222) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. Canvassers did note that Page One of the Electronic Poll Book didn't have boxes checked off as suggested for pre-poll checkoff. This concludes the Canvass of the Township of Adams.

Arenac Township:

The Poll Book reflected that three hundred fifty-seven (357) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. This concludes the Canvass of the Township of Arenac.

At 11:35, the Canvassers broke for a ten-minute break. They reconvened at 11:45.

Au Gres Township:

The Poll Book reflected that four hundred ninety-nine (499) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. Canvassers noted that election workers didn't sign the Clerk's tape that was furnished. This concludes the Canvass of the Township of Au Gres.

Canvassers took a 10 minute break.

The Chair then reconvened the meeting.

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Deep River Township:

The Poll Book reflected that eight hundred eighty-four (884) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. This concludes the Canvass of the Township of Deep River.

The Chair ordered a ten-minute recess.

Lincoln Township:

The Poll Book reflected that three hundred seventy-one (371) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. This concludes the Canvass of the Township of Lincoln.

Moffatt Township:

The Poll Book reflected that six hundred and forty-two (642) voters cast ballots and the numbers matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. Election workers didn't fill out Page 1 in the EPB. This concludes the canvass of the Township of Moffatt.

Sims Township:

The Poll Book reflected that six hundred seventeen (617) voters cast ballots and the number matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. There were no Receiving Board oaths of office in the Poll Book. This concludes the canvass of the Township of Sims.

Standish Township:

The Poll Book listed that seven hundred eighty (780) voters cast ballots and the number matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tape showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. There was no second Receiving Board Member listed in the Poll Book and workers taped the proposal language over the Write-In Sheets and the workers didn't have a continuous zero tape. This concludes the Canvass of the Township of Standish.

Turner Township:

The Poll Book listed that two hundred thirty-one (231) voters cast ballots and the number on the tabulator tape indicated that 231 ballots were tabulated, however, comments from election workers noted that one voter spoiled a ballot and didn't receive another. After review and discussion, it was moved by Mr. Rebischke & 2nd by Mrs. Boley to direct the County Clerk to contact Turner Township Clerk and have her and two election workers come in with their election documents, including ballot container, if possible tomorrow at 10 or 11 AM to see if we can resolve the difference. Motion carried.

The time being after 3:30 P.M.; it was moved by Rebischke & 2nd by Halamar to recess until 10 AM tomorrow to continue the Canvass of the election. Motion carried.

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Meeting recessed until Friday, November 9, 2018 at 10 A.M. in the Board of Commissioner's Meeting Room 201, Arenac County Building in Standish, Michigan.

Friday, November 9, 2018 @ 10 AM.

Canvasser Chair JoEllyn Pedota called the Arenac County Board of County Canvassers to order to resume the Canvass of the November 6, 2018 General Election results in Arenac County, Michigan.

All four Canvassers and the County Clerk were in attendance.

The County Clerk reported that he had contacted the Turner Township Clerk and that she and two election workers would be attending the meeting with the elections materials Canvassers requested.

Au Gres City:

The Poll Book totals indicated that four hundred nineteen (419) voters cast ballots and the number matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tapes showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. This concludes the Canvass of the City of Au Gres.

Turner Township:

Denise Gates, Turner Township Clerk, appeared with two elections workers and materials and noted that after yesterday's conversation with the County Clerk, she was able to solve the riddle of the matching figures. An absentee ballot had to be duplicated at night end, as it was torn in opening and election workers forgot to enter the voter into the Electronic Poll Book thereby changing the number of voters who cast ballots to two hundred thirty-two (232), this rectifying the one vote difference. Therefore, the Poll Book indicates that 232 voters cast ballots and two hundred thirty-one ballots were tabulated which matched the tape totals noting remark that one voter spoiled his ballot and refused a new one. Therefore, all numbers match and this concludes the Canvass of the Township of Turner.

Omer City:

The Poll Book totals indicated that one hundred forty-eight (148) voters cast ballots and the number matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tapes showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. All numbers matched. Canvassers noted that workers didn't sign the Zero Tape, but it was connected to the Canvassers Tape. There was not a Receiving Board Oath in the EPB and there were only two election worker signatures on the Canvassers tape. This concludes the Canvass of the City of Omer.

Standish City:

The Poll Book total indicated that four hundred ninety (490) voters cast ballots and the number matched the Electronic Poll Book and the Tabulator Tapes showed that the same number of ballots were tabulated. Canvassers noted as included in remarks, ballots 54 & 55 were not properly recorded, even though notes indicate they were duplicated. Also summary sheet numbers of AV don't match the number declared and don't balance. This concludes the Canvass of the City of Standish.

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Approval of Results and Numbers:

The County Canvassers then reviewed the numbers totals with the County Clerk and then, after review, a motion was offered by Wanda Boley & 2nd by JoEllyn Pedota to certify the results as follows from the summary sheets and to declare the Canvass complete pending review of the minutes and the State mandated signing of the Canvass Report to the Secretary of State, Elections Office. The motion carried.

Arenac County Election Results for Individual Offices as listed on the Ballot:

County Road Commissioner: Elect One: 6 Year Term.

Ronald Schwab received four thousand nineteen (4,019) votes and was declared elected. Chester Thomas Pawlaczyk received two thousand four hundred forty-five (2,245) votes and was declared not elected.

County Commissioner: By District:

District 1: Sally Mrozinski (R) received eight hundred eighty-eight (888) votes and was declared elected. Robert A. Luce (D) received four hundred fifty-three (453) votes and was declared not elected.

District 2: Lisa Salgat (R) received eight hundred seventy-two (872) votes and was declared elected.

District 3: Bobbe Burke (R) received one thousand one hundred sixty-seven (1,167) votes and was declared elected.

District 4: Harold Woolhiser (R) received seven hundred fifty-two (752) votes and was declared elected. Thomas C. Page (D) received four hundred fifty-five (455) votes and was declared not elected.

District 5: Adam Kroczaleski (R) received eight hundred fifty-five (855) votes and was declared elected.

Arenac County Probate Judge:

Richard E. Vollbach received five thousand fifty-seven (5,057) votes and was declared elected.

Township Offices: Partial Terms to Fill Vacancies:

Arenac Township Clerk: Jessica Lynn Schlanderer (R) received two hundred eighty-three (283) votes and was declared elected.

Mason Township Trustee: Paul Phelan (D) received one hundred seventy-seven (177) votes and was declared elected.

Standish Township Trustee: Wayne Reetz (D) received five hundred forty-nine (549) votes and was declared to have been elected.

Turner Township Treasurer: Colleen Rittenberg received one hundred eighty (180) votes and was declared to have been elected.

Non-Partisan City and Village Offices:

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City of Omer:

Mayor: Ed Oliver received sixty-two (62) votes and was declared not elected.

Clark Sanford received eighty-two (82) votes and was declared elected.

Clerk: Sue Oliver received seventy-two (72) votes and was declared not elected.

Virginia S. Sanford received seventy-three (73) votes and was declared elected.

Treasurer: Joan E. Steward received one hundred twenty-four (124) votes and was declared elected.

Council: Elect 3: Regular Terms: Robin D. Berry received ninety-four (94) votes and was declared elected.

Kristine Oliver received seventy-one (71) votes and was declared elected.

Jerry Ott received ninety-two (92) votes and was declared elected

Council Part. Term: Elect 2: Jessica Bond received one hundred ten (110) votes & was declared elected.

A. J. Mochen received fifty-five (55) votes and was declared not elected.

Barbara Wayman received sixty-one (61) votes and was declared elected.

City of Standish:

Mayor: Kevin P. King received two hundred eighty (280) votes and was declared elected.

Ray Koroleski received one hundred eighty-four (184) votes and was declared not elected.

City Council: Elect 3: Violet A. Cook received two hundred thirty-nine (239) votes & was declared elected.

Jeff Link received two hundred seven (207) votes and was declared elected.

Matthew Prout received two hundred five (205) votes and was declared not elected.

Mark D. Spencer received one hundred thirty-five (135) votes and was declared not elected.

Tifanie A. Tremble received two hundred forty-three (243) votes and was declared elected.

Sterling Village:

President: James Hazeltine received one hundred thirteen (113) votes and was declared elected.

Clerk: Michelle Paten received one hundred fifteen (115) votes and was declared elected.

Treasurer: Judy Nichols received one hundred twenty-one (121) votes and was declared elected.

Village Council: Elect 3: Sherlyn Burkhardt received one hundred (100) votes and was declared elected.

Leann Grandchamp received ninety-one (91) votes and was declared elected.

Dion Jean received eighty-five (85) votes and was declared elected.

Turner Village:

President: Gary Bates received twenty-two (22) votes and was declared elected.

Clerk: Jodi Aikens received twenty-four (24) votes and was declared elected

Treasurer: Debra Bates received twenty (20) votes and was declared elected.

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Council: Elect 2: Amber Miracle received twenty (20) votes and was declared elected.
A vacancy exists in the Village Council and will need to be filled by their Council Action after 1 January 2019.

Twining Village:

President: Donald Ray Ferguson received thirty-six (36) votes and was declared elected.

Clerk: Carol Norton received thirty-five (35) votes and was declared elected.

Treasurer: Carrie Stodolak received thirty-six (36) votes and was declared elected.

Council: Elect 2: Valentina Lammy received thirty-three (33) votes and was declared elected.
Gloria Rittenberg received twenty-nine (29) votes and was declared elected.

School Boards: As Listed by District:

Arenac Eastern School District:

Board of Education Full Term: Elect 2: Yvonne A. King received five hundred ninety-seven (597) votes and was declared elected.

Tammy Kramer (write-in) received five (5) votes and was declared elected.

Board of Education Partial Term: Elect 1: No candidates filed and the Board will need to appoint a member at their January 2019 meeting.

Au Gres-Sims School District:

Board of Education: Elect 3:

Heather Caulfield received one thousand one hundred seventy-three (1,173) votes and was declared elected.

Nicholas Moore received one thousand one hundred twenty-eight (1,128) votes and was declared elected.

Eric Schwiderson received one thousand one hundred forty-eight (1,148) votes and was declared elected.

Jeff Taylor (write-in) received five (5) votes and was declared not elected.

Standish-Sterling School District:

Board of Education: Elect 2:

Kevin Noffsinger received two thousand seven hundred sixty-one (2,761) votes and was declared elected.

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Allen Schmidt received two thousand five hundred eighty (2,580) votes and was declared elected.

Whittemore-Prescott Area School District: Partial Results: Arenac Co. totals only.

Board of Education: Elect 2:

April Harkey-Mason received eighty (80) votes.

Mary Phinney received sixty-two (62) votes.

Write-In John Horn received thirteen (13) votes.

Totals were transmitted to the Ogemaw County Board of County Canvassers.

Tawas Area School District:

Board of Education: Elect 3:

Jennifer L. Bruning received one hundred twenty (120) votes.

Michael A. Butzin received ninety (90) votes.

Shannon L. Klenow received one hundred fifty-six (156) votes.

Greg Vanderveen received one hundred ten (110) votes.

These totals were transmitted to the Iosco County Board of County Canvassers for inclusion in the Canvass of votes for the Tawas Area School District totals they Canvass.

County Proposals:

1: Millage Renewal for E-911 Central Dispatch: (1.35 mills for the years 2018 thru 2022). Yes: Four thousand four hundred eleven (4,411) votes. No: two thousand one hundred thirty-two (2,132) votes. The Proposal was declared to have passed.

2: Renewal of Ambulance Service Millage: (.50 mill for the years 2019-2022). Yes: Four thousand six hundred eighty-eight (4,688) votes. No: One thousand eight hundred forty (1,840) votes. The Proposal was declared to have passed.

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3: Separate Tax Limitation Proposal: Fixed Millage for County and Townships and Intermediate School District (Bay-Arenac): Yes: Two thousand eight hundred forty-one (2,841) votes. No: three thousand four hundred ninety-two (3,492) votes. The Proposal was declared to have failed.

School Proposals:

Whittemore-Prescott Area Schools Bonding Proposal: (\$4,850,000) Beginning in 2019: Arenac County Totals are as follows: Yes: Sixty (60) votes. No: Sixty-three (63) votes. Totals have been transmitted to the Ogemaw County Board of County Canvassers for inclusion in the canvass of votes for the Whittemore-Prescott Area School District.

It was moved by Rebischke & 2nd by Halamar to adjourn until 10 AM, on Monday, November 12th and meet to review State Mandated summary sheets and the Minutes including results summarized following in these minutes. Motion Carried.

Monday, November 12, 2018:

Chair JoEllyn Pedota called the Arenac County Board of County Canvassers into session at 10 AM at the Arenac County Clerk's Office with all four canvassers in attendance and pursuant to Public Notice and the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

The Canvassers reviewed the numbers submitted by the County and transmitted to the State of Michigan as well as the minutes prepared for Canvassing sessions.

It was moved by Wanda Boley & 2nd by Cynthia Halamar to approve the minutes of the Canvass and the State Transmittal of Numbers for State Offices to the Michigan Secretary of State to the State Board of Canvassers. The motion carried.

Canvassers filled out expense sheets and submitted same.

Adjournment:

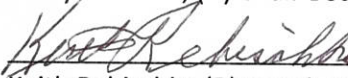
It was moved by JoEllyn Pedota & 2nd by Cynthia Halamar to adjourn and direct the County Clerk to transmit canvassing data to all units and candidates. The motion carried.

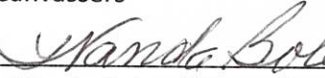
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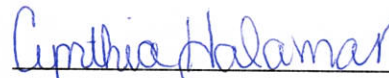
Sincerely


Ricky R. Rockwell, County Clerk

Attest: 
JoEllyn Pedota, (D) Chair Board of Canvassers


Keith Rebischke (R) member


Wanda Boley, (R) member


Cynthia Halamar, (D) member

Precinct Totals and State Report Transmitted are an integral part of these minutes and are attached.
