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ST. CLAIR COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION MINUTES OF RECALL PETITION CLARITY HEARING

201 McMorran Boulevard
Room 2700
Port Huron, Michigan 48060

Date and Time of Meeting:

December 3, 2025, at 2:30 p.m.

Subject of Recall Petitions:

- **Paul Cassidy**, Clay Township Supervisor
- **Tanya Hogan**, Clay Township Clerk

Present:

- Judge John Tomlinson
- Treasurer Kelly Roberts-Burnett
- Clerk/Register Angie Waters
- Elections Manager Cara DenUyl
- Members of the public

Call to Order:

The hearing was called to order by Judge Tomlinson at 2:40 p.m.

Roll Call:

All present

Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 19, 2025:

Motion to approve was made by Tomlinson and seconded by Roberts-Burnett. All approved, motion carried.

Public Comment:

Paul Cassidy – Submitted written objections to the petitions to the Election Commission members for review.

Tanya Hogan- Provided a verbal statement reflects that she completed all actions in good faith as a newly elected clerk. She stated that the procedural oversight was due to her being new to the position.

Wendy Lenz- Expressed frustration with what she viewed as a slow recall process. She made statements alleging various instances of wrongdoing by Paul Cassidy in his role as Supervisor.

Janet Gieraga, Deputy Clerk – Spoke in support of Clerk Tanya Hogan. Her statement reflected Hogan’s commitment to transparency regarding procedural oversight. Gieraga also described multiple challenges faced by the new clerk in the township office, noting the lack of assistance from other elected officials. She further stated that there was no increase in taxes related to the procedural oversight.

Commission Discussion and Determinations:

Recall Petition – “OHM Engineering” language

- **Tomlinson** stated that he found the language clear. He reminded the public that this was not an evidentiary hearing, but rather a determinization of whether a voter can read the statement and decide for themselves whether the information is true or false.
- **Roberts-Burnett** concurred the language was clear

Result: The clarity of the petition language passed by a 3-0 vote.

Recall Petition – “St. Clair County Road Commission” language

- **Tomlinson** stated he found the language clear. He addressed Cassidy’s written objections, noting that the term “deadline” may appear vague but falls within common understanding. He reiterated that it is the voter’s role – not the Commission’s – to determine truth or falsity. Therefore, he felt the language was sufficiently clear.
- **Roberts-Burnett** concurred that the language was clear.

Result: The clarity of the petition language passed by a 3-0 vote.

Recall Petition – “Form L-4029” language

- **Tomlinson** stated he felt the language was clear, as it provides a straightforward statement regarding an alleged failure to follow procedure. He noted that Cassidy has the opportunity to respond to or dispute the allegation.
- **Roberts-Burnett** concurred that the language was clear.

Result: The clarity of the petition language passed by a 3-0 vote.

Recall Petition – Tanya Hogan

- **Tomlinson** stated he found the language clear. He stated that the question presented is straightforward, and it is up to the voter to determine responsibility. He added that the language sufficiently provides notice to Hogan regarding the objection.
- **Roberts-Burnett** concurred that the language was clear.

Result: The clarity of the petition language passed by a 3-0 vote.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the Clarity Hearing was made by Tomlinson and seconded by Waters. The meeting was adjourned without objections at 2:53 p.m.

St Clair County Election Commission Chair

Date Approved on