

MINUTES OF THE OPEN MEETING OF THE ELECTORAL BOARD OF ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP

HELD JANUARY 17, 2013

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Gregory Bridgman, at 6:30 p.m.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: Gregory Bridgman, Richard Schobert, and Mary Carroll.

Members absent: None

Also present were: Board Attorney William Stiehl, Objector Tim Buchanan, Candidate David Moore, and Attorney Untress Quinn, representing David Moore.

See the sign-in sheet for additional attendance.

Objector Tim Buchanan presented his evidence and argument regarding why he believes that numerous signatures which appear on Mr. Moore's nominating petitions were invalid, and that if the invalid signatures are removed, there are insufficient signatures for him to be a candidate for St. Clair Township Supervisor. Mr. Buchanan's exhibits were marked and introduced into evidence without objection.

Attorney Untress Quinn presented David Moore's evidence and argument regarding why he believes the nominating petitions of Mr. Moore are valid and why Mr. Buchanan's objections should be overruled. Mr. Quinn argued that the records of the St. Clair County Clerk have not been updated, and are thus incomplete and unreliable. Mr. Quinn objected to the make-up of the Board, noting that two of the members were running from the same party as the Objector, Mr. Buchanan, and therefore had a conflict of interest. He also urged the Board not to rely on the records of the County Clerk to consider the validity of addresses of persons signing the petitions, as that information would not be accurate. Mr. Quinn's exhibits were marked and introduced into evidence without objection.

Mr. Schobert stated that he believed that the Board could not fairly come to a decision based upon the records of the St. Clair County Clerk, because the records had not been updated and therefore were not accurate. Mr. Bridgman and Ms. Carroll disagreed with Mr. Schobert.

A motion was made and duly seconded to go into executive session to deliberate. The motion carried by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: Schobert, Carroll, and Bridgman.

Nays: None.

The Board returned to open session to deliberate. After deliberations were completed, Ms. Carroll moved, seconded by Mr. Bridgman, to sustain objections made by Mr. Buchanan and to rule that David Moore's name not be placed on the ballot as a candidate for Township Supervisor. The motion carried by the following roll call:

Ayes: Bridgman and Carroll

Nays: Schobert

The meeting was then adjourned.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeremy Bridgman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Chairman

# Sign in Sheet (January 17, 2012)

Print Name	Street #	Street Name	City
David Moore			
Nancy Glen			
Lauren & John O'Neill			
Elio Korman			
Gloria Davis			
DENNIS T RIGOUT			
Cherish Smith			
Jamie Forsythe			
Brenda Reed			
Bob Beeble			
Mark Scheyer			
Scott Randolph			
John King			
Gherman Poston			

