

# Election Commission Meeting Minutes

## Montcalm Township Public Testing / Naming Election Inspectors

April 10, 2025

6:00 PM

### Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

**Quorum Determination;** All present; Blomstrom; Hyde; Foley

**Approval of Agenda:** Blomstrom move to approve agenda; Hyde seconded; Motion carries.

### Public Comment:

**Annie Marco League of Women Voters:** Here to observe how the public testing is performed and asked for commission members.

**Clerk Comments:** 4 ballot styles; Taking on voters from Sidney township for Greenville Public Schools, 25+ ballots already issued; bulk of the ballots are Greenville Public schools with 10ish voters in Central Montcalm Schools; and the same for Lakeview; will be trialing an AVScan with a Counting Board. Testing 2 tabulators tonight and the Auto Writer; 2 more years on equipment and may decide how the area grows to add a Counting board at a later date; borrowed the tabulator from the county; We sent over 580 ballots already.

**New Business:** Special Election inspectors for Special Election May 6<sup>th</sup> 2025; Foley recommended:

Krystal Hatfield - EPB/Committee Chair (Republican)

Alia Ingersol (Libertarian)

Chris Kriebel (Republican)

Pam Hemmes (Republican)

Karon Baird (Democrat)

Sandy Nutt (Republican)

Reba Hansen (Republican)

Rose Hyde (Republican)

Foley stated would be an extra person Reba Hansen who would run the poll book for the Counting Board.

Foley made motion to approve the Election Inspector list as presented; Hyde to Second; No further comment; Motion carries.

**Public Comment:** No Public Comment.

**Test Election Equipment/ 4 ballot styles for Montcalm Twp. :** In between each ballot style we will zero out the machine to keep the numbers clean for verification; Verified seal # 210860 matched what was recorded during initial ballot testing so the clerk cut the seal to retrieve the test ballots; Verified memory seal #598121 on the tabulator and seal# 598159 on the AvScan Tabulator; Clerk announced that there are 4 ballot styles; 1A, 1B, 1C and 1D; start testing with precinct 1-A; confirmed the reason for ballot styles for the school district boards on the ballot; Alia Ingersol ran all the ballots in the test deck 1-A including rejecting a ballot for the wrong barcode confirming a ballot from another precinct can not be tabulated; all the test deck ran with no issues; closed polls and Rose Hyde and Chris Kriebel confirmed all numbers from test deck 1-A to the tabulator printout confirmed correct.

After having to cut the memory seal off the tabulator to reset for the election; Verified with public memory seal #598121 on the tabulator matched with the Tabulator Testing and Security Certification placed on 3-25-2025 during the Preliminary testing.

Alia Ingersol ran all the ballots in the test deck 1-B including rejecting a ballot for the wrong barcode confirming a ballot from another precinct can not be tabulated; all the test deck ran with no issues; closed polls and Rose Hyde and Chris Kriebel confirmed all numbers from test deck 1-B to the tabulator printout confirmed correct.

Alia Ingersol ran all the ballots in the test deck 1-C including rejecting a ballot for the wrong barcode confirming a ballot from another precinct can not be tabulated; all the test deck ran with no issues; closed polls and Rose Hyde and Chris Kriebel confirmed all numbers from test deck 1-C to the tabulator printout confirmed correct.

Alia Ingersol ran all the ballots in the test deck 1-D including rejecting a ballot for the wrong barcode confirming a ballot from another precinct can not be tabulated; all the test deck ran with no issues; closed polls and Rose Hyde and Chris Kriebel confirmed all numbers from test deck 1-D to the tabulator printout confirmed correct.

Tested the printing on the auto writer and confirmed.



Tabulator testing is completed; Clerk zeroed out the tabulator verified and placed memory seal# 291346; Auto Writer seal# 598117; and AVScan Tabulator seal# 598136; confirmed with public; the Public ballot test bag seal #38135 and signed by 3 of the election commissioners to sign; Blomstrom, Hyde and Foley Signed; Tabulator testing were confirmed accurate; tabulator and Auto writer has been sealed; test ballots and test tapes were placed in the test ballot bag and seal# 38135 confirmed.

Foley made a motion to Adjourn; Blomstrom seconded; Motion carries.