

BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
INTERVIEWS FOR PINCONNING TWP. CLERK/TREASURER
JANUARY 30, 1991

THE BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION MET ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY '30, 1991, IN THE COMMISSIONER'S SECOND FLOOR CHAMBERS OF THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING, 515 CENTER AVE., BAY CITY, MICHIGAN. THE MEETING HAD BEEN CALLED TO ORDER AT 2:10 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTERVIEWING CANDIDATES INTERESTING IN SERVING ON THE PINCONNING TOWNSHIP BOARD IN THE CAPACITY OF CLERK OR TREASURER. THESE VACANCIES HAD RESULTED FROM THE RESIGNATION OF THE PINCONNING TOWNSHIP CLERK, TREASURER AND TWO TRUSTEES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31, 1991. ONCE APPOINTMENT OF THE CLERK AND TREASURER CONSTITUTED A QUORUM, THE TOWNSHIP BOARD WOULD APPOINT THE TRUSTEES IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITY. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS AND GUESTS WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

JUDGE PAUL DONER, CHAIRMAN
BARBARA ALBERTSON, COUNTY CLERK
GEORGE MULLISON, PROSECUTOR
CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, SECRETARY
SHARON STALSBERG, TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

CANDIDATES: DENISE DUBOIS, TWANETTE HIZER, LOU ANN
VERELLEN, TERRY WELCH, SUSAN DEBO, DIANE
SCHMIDT, LORI SCHUMANN, BEVERLY TRUDELL,
AND BERNARD VERELLEN.
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CANDIDATE JAMES ANDREW BRIDGEWATER WAS ABSENT FROM THE INTERVIEW.

CHAIRMAN DONER ANNOUNCED THE CANDIDATES PRESENT WOULD BE INTERVIEWED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE PINCONNING TOWNSHIP CLERK OR TREASURER POSITIONS. ALSO, THAT PROSECUTOR GEORGE MULLISON WAS DESIGNATED TO FILL THE POSITION OF EDWARD LEWANDOWSKI PER FORMER COMMITTEE ACTION AND THE RECOMMENDATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL, PATRICK DUGGAN.

AS THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CHAIRMAN DONER REQUESTED CITIZENS INPUT AT THIS TIME. NO ONE ADDRESSED THE BOARD WITH THEIR COMMENTS OR CONCERNS.

CHAIRMAN DONER EXPLAINED HOW THE INTERVIEW PROCEDURE WOULD BE CONDUCTED. WHEN THE ELECTION COMMISSION INTERVIEWED IN THE PAST, ONE CANDIDATE WAS INTERVIEWED WHILE OTHERS WAITED OUTSIDE THE ROOM. MR. DONER INDICATED THAT PROCEDURE HAD WORKED WELL BEFORE AND RECOMMENDED IT BE FOLLOWED AGAIN. UNDER CONDITIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE OTHER CANDIDATES WERE WELCOME TO LISTEN TO THE INTERVIEWS OF ALL CANDIDATES BUT MS. STALSBERG (PINCONNING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR) WAS THE ONLY PERSON WHO WISHED TO DO SO. CANDIDATES WERE TO BE INTERVIEWED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER BEGINNING WITH THE POSITION OF TOWNSHIP CLERK AND THEN TREASURER.

MOTION 1: GEORGE MULLISON MOVED THAT THE ELECTION COMMISSION PROCEED WITH THE INTERVIEW PROCESS ON THAT DATE FOR THE POSITIONS OF CLERK AND TREASURER. FURTHER, THAT THE ELECTION COMMISSION MEMBERS BE ALLOWED TO CONTACT THE REFERENCES OF THE CANDIDATES WHO SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS FOR SAID POSITIONS WITH THE FINDINGS AND APPOINTMENT TO BE DISCLOSED AT ANOTHER SESSION TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 4, 1991, BEGINNING AT 8:00 A.M. THIS MEETING TO APPOINT TO BE HELD IN THE COMMISSIONER'S GROUND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING. CLERK ALBERTSON SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE - 3 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

THE CANDIDATES OFFERED MUCH INFORMATION REGARDING THEIR QUALIFICATIONS DURING THE 15-20 MINUTE INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED. OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE INCLUDED PROPOSED PROCEDURAL CHANGES; INTENDED GOALS; WHERE WOULD THE CLERK/TREASURER CONDUCT THE TOWNSHIP BUSINESS; PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE; REFERENCES; WHETHER CANDIDATES FOR THE TREASURER POSITION WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR BONDING; HAD THE CANDIDATES WORKED VERY CLOSLY WITH THE PUBLIC IN PREVIOUS POSITIONS.

IT WAS NOTED FOR THE RECORD, THAT JAMES ANDREW BRIDGEWATER HAD NOT ATTENDED THIS INTERVIEW SESSION.

OF THE CANDIDATES INTERVIEWED, THE BOARD CONCURRED NOT TO ELIMINATE ANY OF THE CANDIDATES WHO HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED ON THIS DATE FOR TOWNSHIP CLERK OR TREASURER.

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THE FOLLOWING ELECTION COMMISSION MEMBERS WERE DIRECTED TO CONTACT THE REFERENCES OF THE CANDIDATES LISTED BELOW THEIR NAME. A REPORT OF THE REFERENCE TO BE PROVIDED AT THE SESSION OF 2/4/91 PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT.

ALBERTSON

D. DUBOIS
T. HIZER
L. VERELLEN

MULLISON

T. WELCH
S. DEBO
D. SCHMIDT

DONER

L. SCHUMANN
B. TRUDELL
B. VERELLEN

MOTION #2: FOLLOWING THE INTERVIEWS AND DETERMINATION OF ACTION TO BE TAKEN AT THE FEBRUARY 4, 1991 BOARD SESSION, GEORGE MULLISON MOVED TO ADJOURN THE BOARD SESSION. BARBARA ALBERTSON SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE- 3 YEAS, 0 NAYS. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 4:40 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

BARBARA ALBERTSON
COUNTY CLERK