

ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

125 W. Main Street, Centreville, MI 49032

February 11, 2026

Call the Meeting to Order

Judge Kane called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Present

Judge Kevin Kane, St. Joseph County Probate Judge, Kathy Humphreys, St. Joseph County Treasurer, and Gina Everson, St. Joseph County Clerk.

Others Present

Melissa Bliss, Election Coordinator, Teresa Ives, Election Specialist and guest Ben Myers, Republican Party Chair.

Agenda

Approval of the Meeting Agenda- Motion made by Humphreys, seconded by Everson to approve the agenda. Unanimously Approved.

Minutes

Approval of the May 30, 2025, Minutes for the August 5, 2025, Election - Motion made Consideration to Approve the September 9, 2025 Minutes for the November 4, 2025 Election

No action was taken as the minutes contained an error with a statement that stated motion was made and seconded by Everson. It was consensus of the board to have the minutes corrected and approved at the next meeting.

Public Comments

Ben Myers provided comments.

Action Items

- A. Approval of Proposal for Sturgis Public Schools Bond Proposal - Motion made by Everson, seconded by Humphreys. Unanimously Approved.
- B. Approval of Proposal for Colon Community Schools Sinking Fund Millage Renewal - Motion made by Judge Kane, seconded by Everson. Unanimously Approved.

- C. Approval of Proposal for KRESA Special Education Millage Renewal and Restoration Proposal - Motion made by Everson, seconded by Judge Kane. Unanimously Approved.
- D. Approve Ballot Quantities as presented - Motion made by Judge Kane, seconded by Everson. Unanimously Approved.
- E. Approve of Precinct Consolidation(s) Proposals:
- KRESA School District - Consolidate Mendon Township, Park Township and Leonidas Township with Mendon Township who will host the election. Motion made by Humphreys, seconded by Judge Kane. Unanimously Approved.
- Colon Community Schools - Consolidate Colon Township, Burr Oak Township, Leonidas Township, and Nottawa Township with Colon Township who will host the election. Motion made by Judge Kane, seconded by Everson. Unanimously Approved.
- Sturgis Public Schools - Consolidate City of Sturgis, Fawn River Township, Sturgis Township, Burr Oak Township, and Sherman Township with City of Sturgis who will host the election. Motion made by Humphreys, seconded by Everson. Unanimously Approved.
- F. Approval Of Having the County Clerk Accept the Board of Canvassers Envelopes on Behalf of the Probate Judge - Motion made by Everson, seconded by Humphreys. Unanimously Approved.

Board Comments

None

Adjournment

Motion made by Judge Kane, seconded by Humphreys to adjourn the meeting, adjourning at 10:47 a.m. Unanimously Approved.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Teresa Ives
Deputy County Clerk/Election Specialist