

**TOWNSHIP OF BIRCH RUN
SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOCAL RECEIVING BOARD
2011-17**

At a Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board, Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Meeting Room on the 11th day of October, 2011, at 7 o'clock Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Magnus, Sheridan, Cook, Nelson, Trevino, Marr, and Kiessler

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was made by Marr and seconded by Sheridan:

WHEREAS House Bill No. 5482 of 2004, Public Act of 256 of 2004 amend the Michigan Election Law to allow for the appointment of a local receiving board to receive election ballots.

WHEREAS House Bill No. 5482 specifies that the legislative body of a city, township, or village may, by resolution, provide for one or more additional boards of election inspectors as receiving board, at an election where ballots were counted at the precinct.

WHEREAS the election commissioners would be required to appoint a receiving board consisting of two or more election inspectors, with an equal number from each major political party.

WHEREAS not less than two election inspectors in a precinct, representing each of the major political parties, shall deliver to the receiving board for that precinct a sealed ballot container containing the voted ballots, and in a separate envelope, the poll book and the statement of returns.

WHEREAS the receiving board shall open the sealed envelope and review the poll book and statement of returns to determine both of the following:

That the ballot container was properly sealed and the seal number was properly recorded in the poll book and the statement of returns. If the ballot container is not properly sealed or there was a discrepancy with the seal number recorded in the poll book or the statement of returns, the election inspectors who delivered the ballot container and the receiving board would together take the necessary steps to correct the discrepancy. Further, the election inspector and the receiving board shall take note the discrepancy and the corrective action in the remarks section of the poll book, and all shall sign the notation.

That the number of individuals voting recorded in the poll board equaled the number of ballots issued to electors, as shown by the statement of returns. If the number of individuals voting as shown by the poll book does not equal the number of ballots counted as shown by the statement of returns, and if an explanation of the discrepancy has not been noted in the poll book, the receiving board shall ask the election inspectors about the discrepancy, note the explanation in the poll book, and all shall sign the notation.

If the poll book or statement of returns has been erroneously sealed in the ballot container, the election inspectors may open the ballot container and remove the poll book or statement of returns. The elections inspectors and receiving board shall note the corrective action in the remarks section of the poll book and all shall sign the notation before placing the poll book or statement of returns in a separate sealed envelope. If the statement of returns was sealed in the ballot container and the poll book was sealed in an envelope, the poll book shall be removed from the sealed envelope for the notation of corrective action to be recorded before placing the poll book and statement of returns in a sealed envelope. The receiving board shall notify the clerk of the board of canvassers responsible for canvassing all or a portion of the election of the corrective action taken.

When the receiving board has completed the review, the receiving board shall place the poll book and statement of returns in the appropriate envelope, sealed with a red paper seal and initialed by the receiving board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Birch Run Township Board of Trustees of the Township of Birch Run, County of Saginaw, do hereby establish a local receiving board to receive election ballots.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

YEAS: Kiessler, Sheridan, Cook, Magnus, Nelson, Trevino, and Marr

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

**STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF SAGINAW)**

I, the undersigned, the fully qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete Copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Birch Run, Michigan, held on the 11th day of October, 2011, the original of said meeting was given to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto fixed my official signature on this 12^h day of October 2011.

**Amy Cook, Clerk
Birch Run Township**