February 22, 2011 Election Proposals

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Augusta Township

RECALL

Statement of Reason:

Kathy Giszczak, Augusta Township Clerk, consistently refuses to honor verbal requests to inspect the record copy of Township Minutes as indicated by the following dates: December 21, 2009; January 5 & 26, 2010, February 1, 5, 9, 12, 16, 18, & 24, 2010 – all verbal request to view the minutes. There are no “rules established and recorded by the” Township Board for requesting the inspection of Township Minutes, the only requirement according to the Attorney General’s opinion 7244. Kathy Giszczak has violated MCL 15.269.

Justification of Conduct:

This recall petition wastes taxpayers’ money and disrupts my ability to serve residents.

Requests to ‘view’ originals of Township Minutes are honored by appointment through the Township approved Freedom of Information Act Request (FOIA) form. Copies are instantly available on the township website and in the township hall lobby.

In one 4-hour appointment, McDonald arrived soaked in rotten fish guts which sickened employees. In others, he stormed out in a rage, or was a no-show.

McDonald filed 200 requests during the 2008 elections and disrupted residents doing township business to promote his wife’s election at the expense of township residents.

McDonald filed complaints with the State Police wasting valuable and scarce resources. The Prosecuting Attorney found no grounds for prosecution.

McDonald filed and lost a lawsuit. He paid the township $5,000.00 for legal fees and signed a consent judgment barring him from future FOIA requests. McDonald’s verbal requests cited in his recall petition were in violation of this court order.

State law requires requests be in writing, supported by Attorney General and Prosecuting Attorney’s offices.

McDonald’s personal stalking and harassment resulted in a Personal Protection Order issued by Washtenaw Circuit Judge Archie Brown.

The reasons for recall are not true.

Shall Kathy Giszczak be recalled from the office of Augusta Township Clerk?
Saline Area Schools

BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall Saline Area Schools, Washtenaw County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twenty-Two Million Dollars ($22,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping school buildings; acquiring and installing educational technology in school buildings; acquiring school buses; and developing and improving playgrounds and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2011, under current law, is -0- mill ($0.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty-five (25) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 1.21 mills ($1.21 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation).

If the school district borrows from the State to pay debt service on the bonds, the school district may be required to continue to levy mills beyond the terms of the bonds to repay the State.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)