## City of Clio

Proposal #1 Amendment to Section 3.2 (Vacancies in Office) of the Clio City Charter. Note: Adoption of Proposal #1 is conditioned on the approval by the voters of Proposals #2-3 at this election.

It is proposed that Section 3.2 be amended to add a new subsection A that provides that the City Commission shall declare a vacancy in a non-elected appointive city office for any reason specified in statute or in the Charter, when an appointed officer is absent from the City without permission of the Commission or its designee for more than three days, or when an appointed officer is guilty of an act of misconduct in office by a court or by a vote of four members of the Commission.

Shall the amendment as proposed be adopted?

Proposal #2 Amendment to Section 3.2 (Vacancies in Office) of the Clio City Charter. Note: Adoption of Proposal #2 is conditioned on the approval by the voters of Proposals #1-3 at this election.

It is proposed that Section 3.2 be amended to add a new subsection B that provides that the City Commission shall declare a vacancy in the office of City Commissioner if a Commissioner misses five consecutive Commission meetings without being excused by the Commission, when a Commissioner is convicted of a felony or being drunk, when an arbiter, mediator or court judge finds a Commissioner guilty of official misconduct, willful neglect of duty, extortion or habitual drunkenness.

Shall the amendment as proposed be adopted?

Proposal #3 Amendment to Section 3.2 (Vacancies in Office) of the Clio City Charter. Note: Adoption of Proposal #3 is conditioned on the approval by the voters of Proposals #1-2 at this election.

It is proposed that Section 3.2 be amended to delete the current final paragraph of this Section regarding the procedure for declaring a vacancy to be followed by the City Commission involving notice and a hearing.

Shall the amendment as proposed be adopted?

Proposal #4 - Amendment to Section 3.14 (Nomination Petitions) of the Clio City Charter.

It is proposed that Section 3.14 be amended to provide that persons desiring to qualify as candidates for City Commissioner must submit petitions by 4:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in August of the year in which a November city election is held rather than by 12:00 noon on the fourth Saturday prior to the date of the city election.

Shall the Amendment as proposed be adopted?

Proposal #5 – Amendment to Section 3.14 (Nomination Petitions) of the Clio City Charter.

It is proposed that Section 3.14 be amended by deleting the second paragraph of that section. The paragraph to be deleted currently provides that if nominating petitions are not filed by at least twice the number of candidates as the number of seats on the City Commission to be filled at the next election, the City Commission is required to nominate additional persons for the office of City Commissioner so that the number of candidates equals twice the number of seats on the Commission to be filled.

Shall the Amendment as proposed be adopted?

## City of Fenton

Shall there be an increase of 1.5 mills (\$1.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) in excess of the limitation on the amount of taxes that may be assessed on all property in the City of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan levied for a period of ten (10) years, 2009 through 2018 inclusive, for the construction, preservation, maintenance and improvement of public works within the City, including but not limited to, streets, storm and sanitary sewers, and water mains, raising an estimated \$500,000 in the first year the millage is levied? If approved, this would be a new additional millage.

### City of Flint

Shall Section 7-201(A) of the Flint City Charter be amended by adding subsection 7-201(A)(4) to authorize renewal of the existing .60 mills (\$0.60 per thousand dollars (\$1,000) (.60 mills) on the taxable valuation of all real and personal property within the City as finally equalized from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016, with all revenue received being used solely for the purpose of funding public transportation services in the City of Flint by the Flint Mass Transportation Authority (MTA)?

It is estimated that .60 mills would raise approximately \$814,164 in the first year of the renewal.

## City of Linden

Shall the City of Linden, Michigan assess an amount not to exceed .35 mills, which will generate approximately thirty-nine thousand and sixteen dollars (\$39,016.) in the first year, for the purpose of contracting for mosquito control within the city. This is a renewal millage that will be levied for three years beginning in 2010.

## Clayton Township Recall

#### Statement of Reason:

At Township Meetings, Bruce Beatty stops Board Members and Residents from speaking if he does not like what they are saying. Bruce Beatty suspended the Police Chief, Attorney and Building Inspector without Board knowledge or approval. Bruce Beatty called special meetings that prevented Trustees and residents from attending by selecting erratic times for meetings. Bruce Beatty used, and had seated at the Board table, his own personal attorney to act as the Township Attorney when the official Township Attorney was present at the meetings. On March 4, 2009, immediately after a specially called mid-day meeting, Bruce Beatty fired the Police Chief without the Board voting for him to do so and without Board knowledge that he was going to do so. Bruce Beatty charges people up to \$2.00 per page for a copy of public records and other people nothing per page for a copy of public records. Bruce Beatty voted Yes to terminate the contracts of Police Chief, building inspector and Attorney, after being instructed by the board to renegotiate such contracts. Bruce Beatty voted Yes to approve Resolution 09-0409-02, to increase the sewer rate by more than the county increase to make a profit for the township.

### Justification of Contact:

Shall Bruce Beatty be recalled from the office of Supervisor?

### Statement of Reason:

At the March 12, 2009 Township Board meeting Glenn Huffman stood up and stated to the audience – "we don't have to answer to all of you". Glenn Huffman voted Yes to appoint Supervisor Bruce Beatty's personal attorney to be the interim Township Attorney. Glenn Huffman voted Yes to terminate the contracts of Township Police Chief, building inspector and Township Attorney. Glenn Huffman has admitted to having private conferences regarding matters that were voted upon at special and regular Township Board Meetings when all such conferences are supposed to be held in public. Glenn Huffman voted Yes to approve Resolution 09-0409-02, to increase the sewer rate by more than the county increase to make a profit for the township.

### Justification of Contact:

Shall Glenn Huffman be recalled from the office of Trustee:

### Statement of Reason:

Charles Shinouskis met with Supervisor Bruce Beatty, and the Supervisor's personal attorney to draft a resolution that terminated the Township Police Chief's contract. Charles Shinouskis voted Yes to appoint Supervisor Bruce Beatty's personal attorney to be the interim Township attorney. Charles Shinouskis voted Yes to terminate the contracts of Township Police Chief, building inspector and Township Attorney. Charles Shinouskis has had a continuing friendship with a woman who wrongfully sued the township and the Township Attorney after she was convicted of criminal misdemeanor charges. At the March 12, 2009 Township Board Meeting, Charles Shinouskis misrepresented to the public that he did not try to secretly record a private closed meeting of the previous township board, when members of the public, confirmed at that same meeting, that he did. Charles Shinouskis voted Yes to approve Resolution 09-0409-02, to increase the sewer rate by more than the county increase to make a profit for the township. Charles Shinouskis mislead the residents to believe that sewer bills were being paid out of the general fund.

**Justification of Conduct:** 

Shall Charles Shinouskis be recalled from the office of Trustee?

## Flushing Township Recall

### Statement of Reason:

1. Mike Gardner proposed to no longer help fund the Senior Center with Township money, which would result in \$70,000 of lost county millage money. 2. Mike Gardner disagrees with the Supervisor's police budget. He supports the layoff of 5 officers, wants to end 24 hour Township Police coverage, and will remove the police officer from Flushing High School. 3. Mike Gardner voted to cut the support of the Nature Park by 60% by removing Cell tower and Comcast revenue fund support. 4. Mike Gardner proposed to remove funding for Flushing Cemetery, which would result in tax payers paying 50% more for use of the cemetery. 5. Mike Gardner does not follow proper procedures at Township board meetings.

Justification of Conduct:

I, Mike Gardner believe in the following:

Limited Government – People will try to turn this around and say that I don't want any government, this is not true. Government has its place but it should not be in every corner of our lives. Remember what the Government gives it must first take.

Prioritization of spending – Government at all levels needs to prioritize its spending. Every dollar you spend in one place is a dollar you can not spend in another, this forces a person such as myself and the other three that are being recalled to make decisions about where money is spent and where it is not spent. Needless to say this will make some special interest groups angry.

Regarding the police department two millages failed and we are in the process of restructuring the department 24/7 coverage will not end and I am not trying to destroy the department.

Regarding the Flushing Cemetery we are currently splitting the loss of a City owned cemetery and I think this practice needs to end. If a private company can run a cemetery for a profit why should the government run it for a loss?

Shall Mike Gardner be recalled from the office of Trustee?

#### Statement of Reason:

1. Scott Minaudo disagrees with the Supervisor's budget. He supports the layoff of 5 officers, wants to end 24 hour Township Police coverage, and would remove the officer from Flushing High School. 2. Scott Minaudo voted to cut the support of the Nature Park by 60% by removing Cell tower and Comcast revenue fund support. 3. Scott Minaudo proposed that the township stop funding the Senior Citizen's Van expense. This idea would end the Senior's \$70,000 funding from Genesee County.

## **Justification of Conduct:**

1. I do disagree with certain items in the Supervisors budget. I have always supported our Police Department, however, I believe they should be responsible when it comes to their budget. I voted to lay off 1 full time officer not 5. I would not and have not voted to end 24 hr police protection (my family lives here too). I have not asked or suggested that the officer be removed from the school. 2. The cell phone tower revenue and the Comcast revenue have always gone into the general fund, not the nature park fund. I did vote, along with 5 other board members to reduce the park budget by approx. 60% (why are only 4 being recalled when 6 voted yes?) This was done to save money and offset costs in other areas. The park is still fully functioning. 3. The Senior Citizens Van Expense was brought up in a budget meeting as a way to cut costs. When the board found out that the township has to contribute approx. 10% of the money that the center gets from the county senior millage, the idea was dropped by the whole board.

Shall Scott Minaudo be recalled from the office of Trustee?

#### Statement of Reason:

1. William Noecker used abusive language toward employees and vendors which resulted in written actions by the Teamsters Union against the township. 2. William Noecker read aloud private employee medical records at a public meeting in violation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) 3. William Noecker disagrees with the Supervisor's police budget. He supports the layoff of 5 officers, wants to end 24 hour Township Police coverage, and will remove the office from Flushing High School. 4. William Noecker has threatened Supervisor Schwieman with bodily harm. 5. William Noecker wants to stop using Flushing City fire protection, rather than share the cost of fire protection with the city like we do now. This will increase fire response times. 6. William Noecker voted to cut the support of the Nature Park by 60% by removing Cell tower and Comcast revenue fund support. 7. William Noecker is wasting Township money by incurring penalties and interest that were caused by his failure to pay township bills on time. 8. Due to lack of knowledge and understanding of the grant process, Mr. Noecker has failed to apply for any available government grants.

#### Justification of Conduct:

One judge, one county clerk and three prominent attorneys have told me recall language doesn't require honesty, facts or truthfulness.

1. The Teamster Union has never taken action against the Township because of me. I did not use abusive language. 2. I have written permission to use an employee's receipt as an example. 3. I disagree with the supervisor's budget. I voted to layoff one officer and I support 24/7 coverage. The school can have as many officers as they pay for. 4. I've never threatened anyone. In my opinion, this lie came from the Supervisor. 5. I helped negotiate the fire contract and believe it is good for the Township and City. 6. I voted to reduce the park budget by 60%. Government spending must be reduced. Schwiemann and Matzke voted with us, but did not get recalled. 7. Flushing Township has two outstanding bills with Genesee County left over from the past board. I can't pay bills until the clerk writes the check. 8. By state law, anyone can request grants, however, not all grants are good. Some grants have too many strings attached. Unlike my accusers, I can prove everything I have said and gladly will, because my response is the truth.

Shall William Noecker be recalled from the office of Treasurer?

### Statement of Reason:

1. Mark Purkey was absent 7 out of 9 (78%) of the first meetings during his term. 2. Mark Purkey failed to attend 50% of the regularly scheduled monthly board meetings during his first 6 months in office. 3. Mark Purkey disagrees with the Supervisor's police budget. He supports the layoff of 5 officers, wants to end 24 hour Township Police coverage, and will remove the police officer from Flushing High School. 4. Mark Purkey wants to stop using Flushing City fire protection, rather than share the cost of fire protection with the city like we do now. This will increase fire response times. 5. Mark Purkey voted to cut the support of the nature park by 60% by removing Cell tower and Comcast revenue fund support.

### Justification of Conduct:

The two points concerning my attendance at board meetings are blatant fabrications that can be refuted simply by checking the minutes of the meetings. These are available to the public on line. The contention that I am against the use of the Flushing Fire Department is not true. I was involved in the contract negotiations with the city and voted for it. Again this can be confirmed by checking the record. I have never said that I would lay off five police officers or remove the police officer from the school. I believe that we have enough funds to maintain 24 hour seven day a week police coverage. The supervisor's budget does not include a new police chief or paying pension fund debt off. This budget lacked details concerning the cost of vehicles, uniforms and many other expenses including the sell back of vacation time by police officers. Comcast and cell phone tower revenue make up one tenth of the revenue for the township. At a time when our roads are falling apart and the state is decreasing revenue sharing, it only makes sense to reallocate funds to where they are most needed. The park has money to operate.

Shall Mark Purkey be recalled from the office of Trustee?

### Beecher Metropolitan District

Shall section 1.170(5)(a) of the District Charter be amended to reduce the terms of members of the District Commission from six (6) year terms to four (4) year terms, each four (4) year term to take effect upon the expiration of each current six (6) year term?

Shall section 1.175(6) of the District Charter be amended to permit the District Commission to set its own schedule of regular meetings instead of being required to always meet at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month?

Shall section 1.195(10) of the District Charter be amended to establish a District Officials Compensation Commission with the power to determine the compensation to be paid to elected members of the District Commission?

Shall section 1.305(2) of the District Charter be amended to establish deadlines for circulating and filing nominating petitions for candidates for membership on the District Commission in accordance with the requirements of state law for other elections?