

BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

The Election Commission consists of the Township Clerk and two township board of trustees who serve on the commission (MCL 42.4). The Clerk is the chairperson and calls the meetings as often as necessary. The Elections Commission is in charge of all activities and duties required of it by state law and the Charter relating to the conduct of elections in the Township. In any case, where election procedure is in doubt, the Election Commission prescribes the procedure to be followed.

MEMBERS

- Garth J. Christie, Township Clerk
- Patricia Kennedy, Trustee
- Ed King, Trustee

RESPONSIBILITIES

[Chapter 1](#) of the [Election Officials' Manual](#) published by the [Michigan Bureau of Elections](#) summarizes the activities and duties required of the election commission by [Michigan Election Law](#). Some of the duties regularly handled at the meetings include:

- Establishing boundaries and determining the size of precincts. (MCL 168.658)
- Assessing the township's voting equipment needs (MCL 168.670)
- Conducting preliminary and public accuracy tests of voting machines (MCL 168.798)
- Printing and proofing ballots and election supplies for local elections (MCL 168.670)
- Establishing absentee voter counting and receiving boards (MCL 168.792a & 168.679a)
- Appointing election inspectors (MCL 168.674)
- Designating the chairpersons of the election inspectors (MCL 168.674)

MEETINGS

Meetings are open to the public. However, the Election Commission does not hold regularly schedule meetings, but instead calls several special meetings in the time leading up to an election.