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April 5 a.d. 1897

Election Notice — Copy

Notice of Township of Bates County of Iron and State of Michigan

Is hereby given to the Electors of the Township of Bates County of Iron and State of Michigan that the next Anual Township Meeting and General Election will be held on Monday April the 5th A.D. 1897 at school house no. one (1) in said Township at wich Election the following Offiers will be chosen. to wit

State

One Justice of the Supream Court
One Regent of the University

County

one County School Commissioner
one County road Commissioner
one for an Amendment to the Constitution relative to the Salerie of the attorney General
one Amendment ~~Relative~~ to the Constitution Relative to providing for a Board of Auditors for Kent County

Township

One Supervisor
One Clerk
One Treasurer
One Justice of the Peace
One Commissioner of Highways
one Overseer of highways
one school Inspector
one Member of Board of Education
one Member of Board of Review
two Constables

Dated this 20th of March A.D. 1897

Chas. A. Otto
Township Clerk of said
Township of Bates

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Copy of Election Proceeding April 5th 1897

Township of Bates County of Iron. and State of Michigan

The anual Township Meting and Gineral Election in the Township of Bates was held at school house number one in said Township on Monday the 5th day of April A. D. 1897 after the Electors were assembled at about 7 oclock A.M. they proceedet to appoint three Inspectors of Election one Clerk and one assistant Clerk and one Gate Keper it was mooved by Carl Gustafson seconded by August Krans to appoint Frank Erickson as Chairman, John.E. Groenland and John.E. Nilson as Inspectors of Election and George Goulett. as Clerk and Herbert Hall. as Assistant Clerk and Gust af Erickson as Gate Keper which was unanamously carried by all Electors present the Election Board then Consisted of the above named persons and after having taken the Constitutional oath of Office the poll was declared opend and remained open untill 12 oclock twelve oclock at noon. when the Election Board adjourned for one hour, after having first sealed the ballot Boxes as required by law and the Keys of the ballot Boxes were taken care of by John E. Groenland the election seal was taken in possession by Frank Erickson and the Keys were taken by John.E. Nilson after the electors had returned to the poll and between the hours of twelve and one the Township Clerk read all the Statements of the Financial standing of the various funds as received and expended by the Township Board and school board

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For the year closing on the 1st day of April 1897 also the Commissioner of Highway Estimate of the money necessary to be raised the ensuing year to defray the expenses of the Highway fund also the Estimate of the Board of Education of the amount to be raised by taxation to defray the Expenses of the school fund and a Recomandation of the school (or Board of Education) asking the Electors to rais Money to build another school house in the said Township.

At one oclock the Election board was again in session and the electors proceeded to vote the amounts of money necessary to defray the expenses of the different funds to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the Township of Bates for the next ensuing year, it was mooved by Adolf Forsberg seconded by August Krans to rais by taxation on the taxable property in the township of Bates the sum of one thousand dollers ($1000.00) to defray the expenses of the Contingent fund wich motion was duly carried by all the electors present. It was further mooved by Adolf Forsberg supported by Olof Anderson to rais by taxation on the taxable property in the Township of Bates fifty cents (50 ct) on each one hundred dollers ($100.00) of Valuation according to the assessment-roll of the last preceding year to defray the expenses of the highway fund wich motion was duly carried by all the Electors present

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It was further mooved by John Alt supported by Carl J. Gustafson to raise by taxation on the taxable property of Bates township the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00) for the support of the Poor in said Township wich motion also prevailed by all the electors present

It was also mooved by August Krans seconded by Adam Miller to raise by taxation on the taxable property of the township of Bates the sum of two thousand dollars ($2000.00) to defray the expenses of the School fund for the next ensuing year wich motion was duly carried by all the Electors present

It was also mooved by August Krans supported by Chas. A Otte to raise two mills on each one dollar valuation for the purpose of Building a new school house in what is known as the Sandyville District the said money to be raised by taxation on the taxable property in Bates township wich motions was duly carried by all the Electors present

At one thirty oclock the poll was again declared opened and continued open untill five oclock at wich time the polls were closed and the ballot boxes were opened and the ballots were counted by the Inspectors and the result was read by the Chairman to the Electors there assembled wich was as follows

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The whole number of votes given for the Office of Justice of the Supreme Court was seventy eight (78) and they were given for the following persons

Charles De Long.	sixty two	(62)
George. L. Japle	thirteen	(13)
Daniel. P Foote	two	(2)
Noah. W. Cheever	one	(1)
	Total	78

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Regent of the University was seventy seven (77) and they were given for the following persons

William Cochran	sixty three	(63)
Stanley. C. Parkell.	twelve	(12)
Luis L. Barbour	one	(1)
William. W. Tracy	one	(1)
	total seventy seven	77

County

The whole number of votes given for the Office of County School Commissioner was sixty four (64) and they were given for the following persons

Thomas Conlin sixty four (64)

The whole number of votes given for the Office of County road Commissioner was eighty three (83) and they were given for the following persons

Olef Helgemo.	fifty nine	(59)
Laughlin. H. Mc Gillis	twenty nine	(24)
	total	83

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The whole number of votes given for and against the proposed Amendment to the Constitution relative to Salerie to the Attorney General was fifteen (15)
of wich number fourteen 14
votes contained the Yes; and were given for the Amendment—
and one contained the wood no one (1)
and was given against the Amendment
Total 15

The whole number of votes given for and against the proposed Amendment to the Constitution relative to provide for a Board of Auditors for Kent County was nine (9)
of wich number eight (8)
votes contained the word yes and were given for the said Amendment
and one ——— (1)
vote contained the wood no. and was given against the Amendment

Township

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Supervisor was eighty three (83
and they were given to the following persons
Adolf Forsberg eighty two (82
Israel Carlson one (1)
83

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Township Clerk was seventy seven (77
and they were given for the following persons
Chas A Otto forty five (45)
Israel Carlson thirty one (31)
John Alt. one (1)
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The whole number of votes given for the Office of Township Treasurer was seventy nine (79)
and the were given for the following persons

Charley Olson	fifty one	(51)
John Alt	twenty eight	(28)
Total		79

The whole number of votes given for the Office of School Inspector was seventy eight (78)
and they were given for the following persons

August Krans	forty three	(43)
Ole Benson	thirty four	(34)
August Norin	one	(1)
Total		78

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Member of the Board of Education was eighty one (81)
and they were given for the following persons

John Soderquist	Sixty two	(62)
Carl J. Gustafson	nineteen	(19)
Total		81

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Commissioner of Highway was seventy eight (78)
and they were given to the following persons

Adolf Gustafson	fifty two	(52)
Peter Sjogvist	twenty six	(26)
Total		78

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Overseer of Highways was eighty (80)
and they were given for the following persons

Andrew Hanson	Sixty one	(61)
August Norin	eighteen	(18)
Peter Sjogvist	one	(1)
Total		80

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The whole number of votes given for the Office of Justice of the Peace was seventy three (73
and they were given for the following persons
Edward Sjogrist seventy two (72)
Carl J Gustafson one (1)
total 73

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Constable was one hundred and fifty four (154)
and the were given for the following persons
Louis Olson seventy three (73)
Gustaf Erickson Seventy eight (78)
Peter Sjogrist three (3)

The whole number of votes given for the Office of Member of Board of Review was
seventy four (74)
of wich seventy four were given for
Lovinas Hall seventy four (74
total 74

State of Michigan }
County of Iron }

We The Undersigned do Hireby Certify that the foregoing is a correct Statement of the votes given in school house no 1 in the Township of Bates County of Iron and State of Michigan at the Election had at the Annual Township Meting of said Township held on Monday April the 5th A.D. 1897
In Witness Where of we have hereonto set our hands at the Township of Bates in said County and State this 5th day of April A.D. 1897

Frank Erickson
John E. Groenland
John E. Nilson
George Goulett
} Inspectors of Election
Township of Bates
County of Iron
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State of Michigan } ss
County of Iron }

We do hereby Certify that we have counted and added the number of persons having voted as entered upon and shown by the foregoing polllist and that the total of such persons is ninety (90)

We do hereby Certify that the foregoing Poll List has been carefully compared by us with the Duplicate Poll List kept as required by Law, and that all Mistakes found in such Poll List have been duly corrected by us and that both of said Poll Liste are now correct and agree with each other

Frank Erickson
John. E. Groenland
John E Nilson
} Inspectors of Election of Bates Township

George Goublet Clerk of Election

Dated at Bates Township County of Iron State of Michigan this 5th day of April A.D. 1897