

**WARD BOUNDARY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING, WEDNESDAY, February 6, 2013
FINANCE DEPARTMENT ROOM, 7:00 PM**

The Ward Boundary Commission held a Special Meeting on Wednesday, February 6, 2013. The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Jo-Lynn Flaherty	Present
James Tanner	Present
Elizabeth Lynch	Absent
Jack Androski	Present
Joan Radin	Present
Charles Stowe	Present
Irving Reed	Present

6 Present, 1 Absent

Also present: Corporation Council Kevin Blake

A quorum was present.

Mr. Androski declared the meeting open at 7:00. The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Androski entertained motions to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Mrs. Radin made a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Flaherty. All were in favor of the motion.

Mr. Androski then informed the board that Beth Lynch was able to obtain maps based on the 2010 census from the City Council of Governments, which show the population in each of the wards, and how much each has changed. He explained that we need to make adjustments to the wards if the ward population is to be plus or minus 5%. Corporation Council Blake then stated that according to the information that we have been given from the Valley Council of Governments, we are in compliance with the state regulations. Due to this, the Commission does not have to make any changes to the wards at all. Mrs. Flaherty stated she believes that according to the state guidelines we really don't have to make any changes. Corporation Council agreed with her statement. He further explained that when changes are made, it disrupts many people. Mr. Tanner made a motion to move forward and accept the 2010 census map from the Valley Council of Governments and legal description of each ward. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Flaherty. All were in favor of the motion.

Corporation Council Blake stated that we must have two public hearings and then present the information to the Board of Alderman no later than March 31st. The Board of Aldermen needs to adopt it no later than May 31st. Mrs. Flaherty asked if we are not changing anything, do we still need to have the public hearing. She was told that the public hearings still need to take place even if there are no changes to be made to the wards. Corporation Council Blake then explained that by March 29th, there has to be a letter from the chairman with this as your proposal to the Board of Aldermen. The members then discussed the dates that we should have the Public Hearing. There doesn't need to be a quorum, there just needs to be at least one member present to invite and record comments from the public. Mrs. Flaherty made a motion to hold the first Public Hearing on Wednesday February 13th at 6:45 and the second Public Hearing on Thursday March 14th at 6:45 with the regular meeting to take place on March 14th at 7:00. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Radin. All were in favor of the motion.

Corporation Council then suggested that the agenda for the regular meeting on March 14th include "Ward Boundary

Commission to forward the findings to the Board of Aldermen for their approval.

Mrs. Radin made a motion to add the action item for the March 14th meeting to “forward the findings of the Ward Boundary Commission to the Board of Aldermen.” The motion was seconded by Mr. Tanner. All were in favor of the motion.

Mr. Androski then entertained a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Tanner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stowe. All were in favor of the motion.

The meeting ended at 7:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Sardinha
Secretary