

COUNTY OF CALHOUN  
ELECTION COMMISSION

IN RE: Petition to Recall Sonya Brown  
City of Albion Council Member, Precinct 3

DETERMINATION OF ELECTION COMMISSION

A Petition was filed with the Calhoun County Clerk seeking the recall of Albion City Precinct 3 Council Member, Sonya Brown. The Election Commission met in public session on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. and took comments and arguments on the clarity and factual nature of the petition language.

The Commission is charged with determining whether each reason stated in the petition is based upon conduct occurring during the official's current term of office, and whether each reason, "is factual and of sufficient clarity to enable the officer whose recall is sought and the electors to identify the course of conduct that is the basis for the recall."

The language filed is as follows:

" On 30 November 2018, Councilmember Sonya Brown violated Section 5.8 of the Albion City Charter by sending an electronic message directing City Manager Latonya Rufus to remove Scott Kipp as the Head of Albion's Public Safety Department – stating "Get rid of him! He's untrustworthy. "

The Election Commission is charged as follows:

" ... shall meet and shall determine whether each reason for the recall stated in the petition is factual and of sufficient clarity to enable the officer whose recall is sought and the electors to identify the course of conduct that is the basis for the recall. If any reason for the recall is not factual or of sufficient clarity, the entire recall petition shall be rejected." MCL 168.952

The Election Commission determines by a vote of 3 APPROVED and 0 Rejected that the reasons for recall stated in the petition are factual in nature and of sufficient clarity to enable the officer whose recall is sought and the electors to identify the course of conduct that is the basis for the recall.

Appeals to this determination may be made to the Circuit Court of Calhoun County no later than MARCH 21, 2019.

Dated: 3.11.19  Approved  
 Rejected Anne B. Norlander  
ANNE B. NORLANDER, County Clerk

Dated: 3/11/19  Approved  
 Rejected Brian Wensauer  
BRIAN WENSAUER, County Treasurer

Dated: 3/11/19  Approved  
 Rejected David Gilbert  
DAVID GILBERT, County Prosecutor, in absence of Probate Judge