

CITY OF TROY REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE MEETING

February 3, 2022 6:00pm

ZOOM Meeting
Due to pending winter storm

ATTENDANCE: Jerry Ford, Blaise Hartley, Peter Kehoe, Robert Martiniano, Jill Nagy & Mary Sweeney

ABSENT: Agnes Zink

One person from the public was in attendance.

Meeting called to order by Jill at 6:09pm.

Robert started the recording of the ZOOM meeting.

The previous minutes were review and there were no edits or corrections.

Motion to approve – Peter
2nd - Robert

Announcements – Mary let everyone know that the State approved the Congressional, Senate and Assembly redistrict lines. Troy was previously split in the Senate and Assembly and with the new lines there are no longer any splits.

Jill thanked Mary for sending out the colored maps. They are much better to see.

The City Council is looking to increase our Committee from 7 members to 10. There was a brief discussion about this. The Council will be having 3 public hearings as this measure will have to be a change to the City Charter. We will continue to do the job that we are assigned and keep moving forward.

Vice-Chair – Jill suggested that we should have a Vice-Chair in the event that the Chair is not available for any reason.

Robert made a motion for Agnes to be Vice Chair
2nd - Mary

All in favor – 6 yes

Peter reviewed our statutory requirements. We have to be able to have the public attend our meetings. We need to post our minutes and our recorded meetings (if any). Robert will reach out to the City to see about using their ZOOM account and also Quinn Mahoney about how we can get our information posted for the public to view. He will get back to us.

DATA – The population of the City is 51,401. The Data Subcommittee are using 2 different free software to see where we are in or out of compliance with the Charter. It was determined that Council District 6 is out of compliance with the 18% maximum that the Charter states. It is at 18.8%

(insert ZOOM link to full discussion on the date presentation)

It was decided that the Report Writing subcommittee will draft a letter to send to the Council as a whole reporting the findings of the Data subcommittee. The letter will state the Council Districts are out of compliance and the status of the other districts.

Robert made a motion to add Jerry to the Report Writing subcommittee.
2nd – Peter

All in favor – 6 yes

Other Business – Jill asked to set the next meeting date. It was decided that Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 6pm back at the Tech Valley Center of Gravity, 30 3rd St., Troy. We will review the letter that will be sent to the Council.

Blaise stated that the Center will allow us to keep the large map of the City on the wall for the duration of our Committee.

Jill adjourned the meeting at 6:57pm.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Sweeney
Secretary