

**CHAPTER 280**  
**Elections Commission**

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Recall; initiative; referendum - see CHTR. Ch. XV

Adoption of Charter - see CHTR. Secs. 166 et seq.

Boards of election commissioners - see MCLA. Secs. 168.21 et seq.

Compensation of boards of election commissioners - see MCLA Secs. 168.28, 168.682

**280.01 CREATION.**

The Traverse City Charter, Section 7, creates the City Elections Commission consisting of the City Clerk and three registered voters of the City. The Elections Commission shall be non-partisan.

**280.02 APPOINTMENTS.**

The City Commission shall appoint the three registered voter members of the Election Commission. In order to be eligible for appointment, these persons shall not be in default to the city, meaning that they do not owe any delinquent bill or back taxes to the City. No member shall be appointed or continue to sit on the Elections Commission if they or any member of their immediate family are a candidate to be voted on at the upcoming election. Upon discovering such candidacy, an Elections Commissioner shall immediately notify the City Clerk.

(Ord. 520. Passed 2-5-01.)

**280.03 CHAIRPERSON AND SECRETARY.**

The City Clerk shall be the Chairperson and Secretary of the Elections Commission.

**280.04 TERMS.**

The City Clerk shall be a member ex officio with full voting authority. The other members of the Elections Commission shall serve for three-year terms expiring on the second Monday in December. The first appointments shall be staggered for approximately one, two and three years.

**280.05 QUORUM AND VOTING.**

Three members of the Elections Commission shall constitute a quorum. Action may be taken by a majority of those qualified members present at a meeting. No action shall be taken at a meeting at which the City Clerk is not present.

**280.06 MEETINGS.**

Meetings of the Elections Commission shall be as called by the City Clerk.

(Ord. 469. Passed 12-7-98.)