

Township – Carolyn Brokob – Watertown Township

Carolyn Brokob has served as the Municipal Clerk for Watertown Charter Township in Clinton County since 2021, bringing with her more than 23 years of prior county government experience and continued service to the community through nonprofit leadership. Her career reflects a deep-rooted commitment to public service, operational excellence, and the residents she serves.

Since taking office, Carolyn has implemented forward-thinking improvements that strengthened both election administration and township operations. She established the Township's first Absent Voter Counting Board (AVCB), significantly improving election efficiency and workflow during a time of expanding statutory requirements. She developed online and in-person training resources for election inspectors, expanded voter education efforts, and increased community-based voter registration opportunities to reduce barriers to participation.

Carolyn has modernized internal systems by transitioning the Board of Trustees from paper-based agenda packets to a fully electronic system, deploying tablets to improve accessibility, efficiency, and cost savings. She conducted a comprehensive review of township records spanning more than a century in accordance with Michigan Record Retention Schedules, resulting in significant organization, responsible record purging, and ongoing digitization efforts. She also redesigned the township newsletter, strengthened policy governance (including FOIA procedures), and collaborated on ordinance processes to ensure statutory compliance and transparency.

Beyond administrative leadership, Carolyn has demonstrated extraordinary community commitment during times of crisis, coordinating resources and partnerships following two tragic incidents that deeply affected the township. Her response reflected compassion, steadiness, and a profound understanding of public trust.

An active professional, Carolyn serves on the Executive Committee of the Capital Area Municipal Clerks Association (CAMCA) and on the Legislative Committee of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks (MAMC). She earned her Michigan Professional Municipal Clerk (MiPMC) certification in 2024, advanced to Level II in 2025, and is the first clerk in her township to achieve this distinction. She has completed Institute, Master's Academy coursework, and is a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC), with her Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation pending membership tenure.

Carolyn actively mentors fellow clerks, shares practical tools and election administration guidance, and advocates for the municipal clerk profession through education and

outreach. She approaches her role with organization, calm leadership, and an unwavering commitment to lawful, accurate, and dependable governance.

Her service exemplifies integrity, innovation, and the steady, often unseen leadership that ensures local government operates smoothly.

