

The pre-election meeting of the Erie County Board of Elections was called to order by Chairman Ferrell at 4:05 p.m. on Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

<b>Roll Call:</b>	<b>(D) Thomas M. Ferrell, Chairman</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>(D) William J. Monaghan, Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>(R) Nicholas J. Smith, Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>(R) Jeffrey N. Krabill, Member</b>	<b>Present</b>

Guests in attendance: Amy Grubbe

Adrienne James, Deputy Director, started the meeting by giving an update on early and absentee voting. She stated that early voting ended today at 2 p.m. We had 272 voters in office. We had 229 mailed ballots. Of the mailed ballots, 200 have returned, and 29 are outstanding. We have had zero hand carries, six nursing homes, and zero military and overseas. The total number of early and absentee voters is 507. She also stated that there were zero overvoted ballots for the board to review.

Mr. Monaghan asked how many precincts would be open tomorrow. Ms. James stated that 13 locations would be open and 24 precincts.

Ms. James also stated that tomorrow, full time staff will arrive at the office by 5:30 a.m. Poll workers will arrive at their polling locations at 5:45 a.m. Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. At around 7:00 p.m. on Election Night, the board will reconvene to review any overvoted ballots. Ms. James also reminded the board members that the official canvas meeting will take place on Monday, May 17 at 9 a.m., and the official certification and regular monthly meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 19 at 9 a.m.

Lori Salyers, Director, stated that she had received questions from several voters in Huron about how much it would cost Huron Schools to put on this election. She emailed Gery Gross from the prosecutor's office, who said this was more of a request for information than a public records request. Ms. Salyers asked the board members if it was okay to let people know the cost of the election. The board members agreed that that was fine.

Ms. James then reminded Mr. Smith that she had some extra "Vote Here" signs for him to put out at the Vermilion Veterans Field House.

Motion to recess until tomorrow was made by Mr. Monaghan, seconded by Mr. Krabill. Motion carried. Board recessed at 4:14 p.m.

On Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, motion to reconvene was made by Mr. Monaghan, seconded by Mr. Krabill. Motion carried. Board reconvened at 7:10 p.m.

Ms. James stated that there were no overvoted ballots to review. At 7:30 p.m., staff scanned the last of the absentee ballots and started tabulating results. They continued tabulating as the thumb drives came back from the polling locations. Once all results were in, the board members, the director, and deputy signed the results form and sent it to the Secretary of State. Staff also sent the results to overlapping counties, and posted them on the BOE website.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Monaghan, seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried. Board adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Lori J. Salyers, Director

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Thomas M. Ferrell, Chairman