

Marion County Board of Elections

Board Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2019

I. Call to Order

Chair Lynn Zucker called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Elections at 4:08PM on November 20, 2019 the meeting was held in the Prospect Room in the Marion County Building.

II. Attendance

The following board members were present: Chair Lynn Zucker, Larry Heiser, Chris Smith and Carolyn Weston. The Director and Deputy Director were also present (guest sign in sheet copy attached).

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- October 16, 2019 – Regular Board Meeting
 - October 28, 2019 – Special Board Meeting
 - November 5, 2019-Special Board Meeting – Election Day
 - November 6, 2019 – Special Board Meeting
 - November 11, 2019 – Special Board Meeting
 - November 12, 2019 – Special Board Meeting and Recount
 - November 14, 2019 – Recount
 - November 19, 2019 – Special Board Meeting
- Ms. Smith made a motion to table the Meeting Minutes. Mr. Heiser seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

IV. Finance Report

- Monthly budgetary report of expenses for October
The Deputy Director called the board's attention to the financial report sheet in their packet. The Deputy Director explained he had to move money from one account to another. Mrs. Weston made a motion to approve the financial report. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.
- Budget for remaining 2019 expenses
The Deputy Director explained that the budget is short by 19,000.00. Mr. Heiser made a motion to approach the Commissioners requesting an additional allocation of 30,000 to address the short fall. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.
- 2020 Budget
The Deputy Director explained line item needs to be added to budget for 2020. The new line item is for health insurance that county has previously covered in the past. Mr. Heiser made a motion to approve the 2020 budget as modify with the new line item for Health Insurance. Mrs. Weston seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Payroll Report

The Director reviewed the payroll worksheet reports from the auditor's system. Mr. Heiser moved to approve the payroll reports. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

VI. Old Business

a) Ratliff -Recount Update and Costs

The Director explained the estimated cost for the recount as of November 14, 2019 is \$4,590.02. The Director stated that during the recount the teams noticed that some of the rolls at Dayspring had jammed in the machines. The Director mentioned that the Veteran Coliseum and Crosswoods didn't have any jams. Mr. Nick Soulas mentioned in the Secretary of State directive if the paper rolls are unable to read. The Secretary of State mandates the rolls to be reprinted.

Ms. Smith made a motion to go into executive session for pending legislation at 4:30PM. Mrs. Weston seconded the motion. The board voted by roll call Ms. Smith – yes, Mrs. Weston – yes, Chair Zucker, – yes, and Mr. Heiser – abstained.

Mrs. Weston made a motion to come out of executive session at 4:55PM. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The board voted by roll call to come out of executive session. Ms. Smith – yes, Mrs. Weston – yes, Chair Zucker- yes, and Mr. Heiser – abstained.

Ms. Smith made a motion to continue with the recount. Have the teams come in on Friday to identify jammed rolls. And continue with the rolls that are not jammed. Then contact Dominion to come in and reprint the jammed rolls and print a rotation report. The cost will not exceed \$10,000.00. Mrs. Weston seconded the motion. The board voted 3:1 to accept the motion. Mr. Heiser abstained.

Ms. Smith made a motion to review the paper rolls at Veteran Coliseum to make sure of no duplicate rolls or paper jams. Mrs. Weston seconded the motion. The board voted 3:1 to accept the motion. Mr. Heiser abstained.

Candidates Night

The Director stated the candidate's night went over well. There were 18 people in attendance. The candidate's night was held on October 29, 2019. The next candidate's night will be held on April 22, 2020 at 5:30PM.

Memorandum of Agreement for Services

The Director explained about a month or two ago, this Agreement was sent to the board. The board told the director to send it to Adam Laugle, the commissioners, and Dave Stomalis. The Director stated waiting on the County to sign the agreement.

Policy Review

The Director stated the policy for public records was sent to Adam Laugle. Mr. Laugle referred to the county hand book. The Director stated the board could compare the to and go over the policy next meeting.

Guidelines for Public Comment

The Director mentioned at one of the meeting the board stated they were going to review the public comment on the back of the agenda. The board decided to leave public comments as is.

VII. New Business

a) November 2019 General Election Update and Certification

The Director explained that 11,618 voters voted on election day. The total registered voters in the county are 38,751. The first ward is an automatic recount with Kai Meade with 277 votes, and Michael Saad with 276 votes. Larue Village Council is also an automatic recount with a tie of 59 between John Howard and David Stallsmith. The ORC 3505.33 states to flip a quarter to decide the winner. Chair Lynn Zucker decided that Mr. Howard would win if the quarter lands on heads and Mr. Stallsmith would win if the quarter lands on tails. The quarter landed on tails. Mr. Stallsmith has been declared the winner. Mrs. Weston made a motion to order an automatic recount for the LaRue Village Council. Mr. Heiser seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

The recount will December 2, 2019 at 9:00AM. And also, the Post-Election Audit and the Post-Election Public Test will be the same day.

Mrs. Weston made a motion to certify the November 5, 2019 General Election. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

b) December Meeting Dates

Mrs. Weston made a motion to move the regular December 18, 2019 board meeting to December 30, 2019 at 6:00PM. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

c) BOE Virtual Server Agreement

The Deputy Director asked if this could be tabled until next meeting.

d) Website Quote

The Deputy Director stated the quote from Triad would save 1,050 a year. Mr. Heiser made a motion to enter into an agreement with Triad for our Website provider. Mrs. Weston seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

e) Proposed office closures:

Holiday 11/28 – Close 11/29

Holiday 12/25 – Close 12/24 at noon through 12/27

Holiday 1/1/2020 – Close 12/31 at noon

Ms. Smith made a motion to accept the office hours. Mrs. Weston seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

f) Additional Business

Josh Daniels commented on eliminating the red light at the end of the ballots. He said it is confusing to the voters.

Tara Dyer asked why there is a % sign for Brian Sparling.

g) Staffing Issues

Mrs. Weston made a motion to go into executive session at 5:41PM. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously by roll call to go into executive session.

Ms. Smith made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:22PM. Mr. Heiser seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously by roll call to come out of executive session.

VIII. Adjournment


Ms. Smith moved to adjourn. Mr. Heiser seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:23PM on November 20, 2019.

Minutes submitted by: Jackie Fields


Minutes approved by:



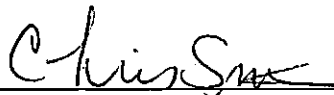
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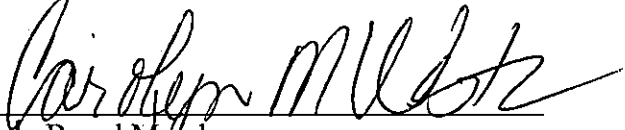
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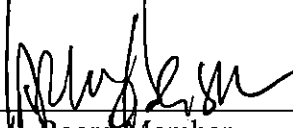
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Board Member



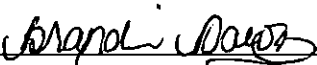

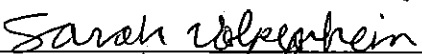
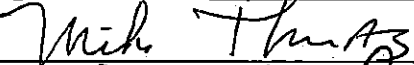
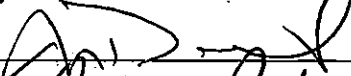



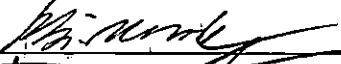
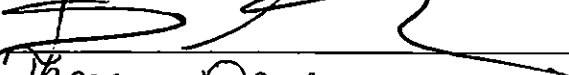
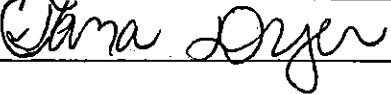
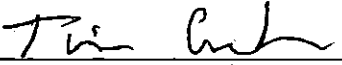
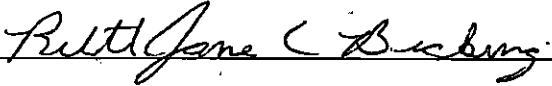
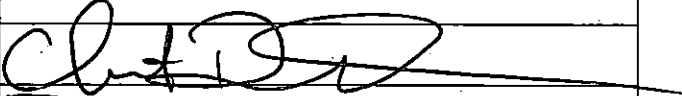

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Sign In Sheet

Name – Please Print	Signature
Brandi Downs	
Nick Soucas	
Sarah Volpenhein	
MIKE THOMAS	
Josh Daniels	
Ayers Ratliff	
Robb Kouns	
THOMAS WHITE	
Khai Meade	
Susan Scherer	
Tara Dyer	
JARON CROWDER	
Tim Cebis	
Ruth Jane C Bickings	
Adam Laugle (Prosecutor's)	
Christian Dunston	
ROBERT SCHULTE	



PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the applicable law of the State of Ohio, the Marion County Board of Elections herein announces public notice of a Regular Board Meeting to be held on

Wednesday, November 20th @ 4 p.m.

In the Prospect Room located in the Marion County Building located at 222 W. Center Street, Marion Ohio.

The public is invited to attend all meetings.

Signed this 23rd day of October, 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cindy Price".

Cindy Price
Director

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Blair".

Brian Blair
Deputy Director